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Harrisville native receives Congressional Gold Medal for service in special forces unit during World War II

By Cheryl Peterson *Editor*

Seventy-one years after serving in some of the deadliest combat situations during World War II an Alcona County native, and his comrades, have received recognition from U.S. Congress for their service.

On Tuesday, Feb. 3 Congress awarded the First Special Service Forces with a Congressional Gold Medal –

the highest civilian honor that Congress bestows (see box below). Members of the unit received individual bronze casts of the medal.

The First Special Service Force (FSSF), or "Devil's Brigade," was a joint World War II American-Canadian commando unit comprised of 1,800 men that conducted missions from July 1942 until it was disbanded on December 5, 1944. This unit accounted for 12,000 German casualties, captured 7,000 prisoners and sustained an attrition rate of over 600 percent. (See box on page 10).

One of the members of the First Special Service Forces, Dave Peterson, 91, of Boca Raton, Fla. and former Harrisville resident, watched the ceremony on television as some 39 fellow veterans accepted medals. His two grandsons, Hakon Reinertsen and Ole Reinertsen of Kristiansand, Norway accepted the medal on his behalf and presented it to him a few days later.

Peterson, who had participated in several interviews with local media and celebrations with his family and friends (including his grandsons and daughter, Carol Reinertsen, also of Norway) after receiving the award, was still surprised over the attention when contacted by the Review Monday.

"I'm amazed to be honest," Peterson said. "The war has been over for 74 years... I really didn't think it was worthy of this. I know we did some impossible stuff – especially on top of that mountain ... It is a helluva honor. I'm glad that it worked out the way it did – it worked out for the best."

Peterson was born in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada on July 22, 1923. Shortly afterwards, his parents, Nels and Olga Peterson moved to Harrisville to help Nels' brother build what is M-72 today. In 1925, the road from Harrisville to Curran was little more than a twotrack trail. "I can just barely remember the teams of horses that were used to (build) the road to Curran... I remember the big tents where they kept the horses," he said.

Years later, his father owned a washed gravel plant which furnished material for concrete that was used to pave US-23 to Alpena (in the mid-1930s). "We got the material from the black hills north of Harrisville," Peter-



Dave Peterson in an undated photo during World War II and with his replica of the Congressional Gold Medal. *Courtesy photos.*

son said. "Before that 23 used to go from Oscoda through Mikado and Lincoln around to the Lookout Inn (in Black River) and then up."

Peterson grew up watching his dad, who was "a halfassed road contractor," build roads and his mother, who was "the world's greatest teacher" build minds. At the time Harrisville was bustling with activity including a steady stream of trains traveling in and out of the community. Peterson was a regular who loved spending time

in and around the trains and the train depot on Dock Street - which developed a lifelong love of trains that he still enjoys.

The train depot played an important role in his life in January 1943 – that was where he left his family and community after being drafted into the U.S. Army during World War II. He remembered that Ted Kruttlin Sr. and Warren Wanzer left on the train with him. "One or two times a month they'd

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Witness no-show disrupts drug case

By Cheryl Peterson *Editor*

Narcotics trafficking charges filed against a Detroit, Mich. man were dismissed last week because a key witness for the prosecution failed to appear at a court hearing.

Once the witness is located and secured, charges will again be filed.

Clarence Dejohn Bivins, 33, appeared in 81st District Court on Wednesday, Feb. 4 in custody of two Michigan Department of Corrections officers for a preliminary examination. He was charged with one count of conducting a criminal enterprise and two counts of conspiracy to deliver narcotics.

Bivins is lodged in the Chippewa Correctional Facility in Kincheloe, Mich., on charges unrelated to the Alcona County case.

"The people aren't prepared to move forward today," Alcona County Prosecutor Thomas Weichel told Judge Laura A. Frawley. "Our star witness is not here."

Weichel explained that even though Tijuan Tidwell, 41, of Detroit, Mich. had confirmed he would be at the hearing, he did not show up.

"We cannot proceed without him. We would advise this case be dismissed... we are asking that it be dismissed without prejudice in effort to refile again when Mr. Tidwell can testify," Weichel said.

Frawley granted the dismissal without prejudice and issued a bench warrant for Tidwell with a \$50,000 cash bond.

"If he is picked up on a bench warrant I expect you to reissue charges immediately," Frawley said.

"I suspect within the next two weeks to reissue charges," Weichel said. The charges brought against Bivins are from a year-long investigation into a criminal enterprise involving multiple people who had been distributing heroin throughout Alcona County and northeastern Michigan, according to Sgt. Scott Wood of the Huron Undercover Narcotics Team (HUNT).

Wood explained the in-

vestigation began in January 2014 after Alcona County Sheriff's deputies conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle leaving a Harrisville Township residence and located narcotics within the vehicle. The traffic stop led to Alcona deputies and **HUNT** detectives executing a search warrant at a residence, at which time a large quantity of heroin and money were located. Several individuals living in the home, including Tidwell, and visiting the home were arrested and subsequently sentenced on various drug charges.

According to Wood, as a result of that initial search warrant, HUNT detectives initiated a second investigation into where the heroin was coming from and how it was arriving in Alcona County. HUNT detectives identified multiple suspects who were involved in a large scale narcotics distribution ring responsible for distributing heroin and cocaine from Detroit, Mich. to Alcona County and northeastern Michigan.

Wood explained that through extensive work with multiple agencies, the Alcona County Prosecutor's office issued the arrest warrants in late December 2014. Bivins, who is lodged in the Chippewa Correctional Facility in Kincheloe, Mich., will remain in prison until April on his previous conviction.

Awarding of the Congressional Gold Medal

On July 12, 2013 Public Law 113-16: "To grant the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, is recognition of its superior service during World War II" was signed into law. This began the process which culminated in the presentation on Tuesday, Feb. 3 in Washington D.C.

There was one gold medal made by the U.S. Mint. It was awarded to members of the First Special Service Force (FSSF) as an entire unit. Roughly 39 members of the unit attended the award presentation. Bronze replicas were given to FSSF members, including former Harrisville resident Dave Peterson, who lives in Bocca Raton, Fla. His grandsons, Hakon Reinertsen and Ole Reinert-sen of Kristiansand, Norway accepted the medal and presented it to him.

A Congressional Gold Medal is an award bestowed by the United States Congress; the Congressional Gold Medal and the Presi-

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Obituaries



Marilyn Pfander, 95 of Harrisville, died on Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015 in Grand Haven,

She was born September 9, 1919 to Harry and Myrtle (McIntosh) Gagnier in Detroit, Mich.

married Morley She Wallace in 1941 in Saginaw, Mich. He preceded her in death in 1983.

She married William Pfander in 1988.

Mrs. Pfander worked for the federal government as an administrator for the U.S. Forest Service. She was a member of the Harrisville United Methodist Church since 1953, where she was involved in various church activities over the years.

Diane J. Pippin, 64, of Mikado died on Monday, Feb. 2,

She was born in Lincoln on October 3, 1950 to Milton and Verna (Benson) Travis and was a lifelong resident of Mikado.

She married Daniel J. Pippin on September 16, 1967 in Mikado.

They worked together for several years at Migatron Precision Products, Inc. in Oscoda. They became owners in 2007.

Over the years Mrs. Pippin was active with the Mikado Goodfellows, Alcona Little League Baseball, Oscoda High School sports and choir boosters, Oscoda-AuSable Home Builders and the Oscoda Colts youth football program just to name a few. She was the ultimate team mom for the OHS wrestling,

Marilyn Pfander

erings, entertaining, cooking and floral gardening. She treasured her many friends and relationships in Harris-

Mrs. Pfander is survived by one daughter, Bonnie (Ronald) DeNardo of Grand Haven, Mich.; one son, Warren Wallace of Grand Haven, Mich.; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren of Illinois.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William, in

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 13 at the United Methodist Church in Harrisville.

A celebration of life service will take place this summer

Diane J. Pippin

softball and volleyball teams as well as her son's successful football program in South Carolina. She was also a proud sponsor of the Migatron Bombs youth teams for her grandson and others.

She worked at the Oscoda Yacht Club. She enjoyed cooking, making candies, playing on the computer and other electronics and above all, spending time with her family.

Mrs. Pippin is survived by her husband, Dan; one son, Danny (Laura) Pippin of Greenwood, S.C.; one daughter, Laura (Kirk) Franklin of Oscoda; five grandchildren, Amanda (Jay) Dixon, McKinley Pippin, Leah Pippin, Owen Franklin and Evan Franklin; one great-granddaughter Kennedy Diana Dixon; her mother, Verna Travis of Mikado; one sister,

She enjoyed family gathville and Alcona County.



in Harrisville. Interment will be in Springport Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alcona Humane Society. Arrangements by Klaassen Family Funeral Home, Grand Haven, Mich.



Karen Travis; and brother, Herb Travis.

She was preceded in death by her father, Milton Travis; and one sister, Kathy McNeil.

A funeral Mass was held on Friday, Feb. 6 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oscoda. The place of interment will be the Mikado Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Diane Pippin Student Athlete Memorial Fund, c/o Oscoda Education Opportunity Foundation, 3550 River Road, Oscoda,

Arrangements were handled by the Buresh Funeral Home, Oscoda.

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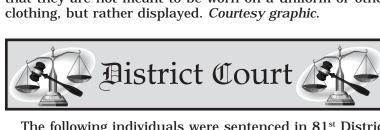
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dential Medal of Freedom are the highest civilian awards in the United States. It is awarded to persons "who have performed an achievement that has an impact on American history and culture that is likely to be recognized as a major achievement in the recipient's field long after the achievement." American citizenship is not a requirement.

Since the American Revolution, Congress has commissioned gold medals as its highest expression of national appreciation for distinguished achievements and contributions. The medal was first awarded in 1776 by the Second Continental Congress to General George Washington. The Gold Medal and the Presidential Medal of Freedom are generally considered to carry the same level of prestige (though significantly fewer Gold Medals have been awarded). The chief difference between the two is that the Freedom Medal is personally awarded by the President of the United States, and Congressional Gold Medals are awarded by acts of Congress (Congress may authorize the President to present

Per committee rules, legislation bestowing a Congressional Gold Medal upon a recipient must be cosponsored by two-thirds of the membership of both the House of Representatives and the Senate before their respective committees (the House Committee on Financial Services and the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs) will

A Congressional Gold Medal is designed by the United States Mint to specifically commemorate the person and achievement for which the medal is awarded. Medals are therefore different in appearance, and there is no standard design. The Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) of the U.S. Mint met on March 11, 2014 to review the proposed designs for the First Special Service Force Congressional Gold Medal (FSSF CGM). Thirty-nine designs were reviewed by the CCAC, with input from the First Special Service Force Association. Three designs were selected for recommendation to the Secretary of the Treasury for approval. Congressional Gold Medals are considered non-portable, meaning that they are not meant to be worn on a uniform or other clothing, but rather displayed. Courtesy graphic.



The following individuals were sentenced in 81st District Court in January by the Honorable Allen C. Yenior.

- Mitchel Alfred Jeremiah Kloc, 22, of Tawas City was sentenced to 30 days in jail, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$1,160 for possession of marijuana/spice/
- Brian Alan Jenich, 54, of Warren, Mich. was sentenced to five days in jail and fines and costs of \$675 for drunkdisorderly person.
- Charles William Tudor, 26, of Oscoda was sentenced to fines and costs of \$235 for unlawful use of a license plate.
- Timothy John Gamarra, 52, of Lincoln was sentenced to one day in jail, fines and costs of \$715 and restitution of \$217.58 for nonsufficient funds more than \$100 - first
- Dustin James Rench, 26, of Ithaca, Mich. was sentenced to three days in jail and fines and costs of \$1,140 for operating with a high blood alcohol content.

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Weekly Report Miles Per Hour Temperature (F°) Water Av. Wind High Dominant Content **Speed Speed Direction** Date Low <u>High</u> Feb. 1 18 12 0.02 17.8 35 ΝE Feb. 2 15 0.02 33 NNE 1 7.2 Feb. 3 26 2 0.01 3.7 16 **WSW** Feb. 4 25 5 0.00 2.3 16 **WSW** Feb. 5 17 0 4.5 SW 0.00 25 Feb. 6 30 15 20 NW 0.00 3.4 Feb. 7 29 24 0.07 8.8 Ε 25

	Precipitation S	Summary (Inches) 201	4-2015
	<u>Water</u> <u>Content</u>	<u>Snow</u> <u>Fall</u>	Normal <u>Water Content</u>
Weekly Total	0.12	3.3	0.35
February to Date	0.12	3.3	0.35
Year/Season to	Date 0.72	25.0	2.11

Climatological Observations taken by Stanley L. Darmofal at the Harrisville National Weather Service Coop Station located 1.8 miles NNE of Harrisville Post Office. Observations for each day are from midnight through 11:59 p.m. T=Trace (less than 0.005" Water Content.)

Calendar of Events



(Editor's Note: Entries for Calendar are always welcome. They will be published in chronological order as space allows. Entries should be turned in at least two weeks prior to the date of the event. Events sponsored by businesses or individuals to make a profit or governmental units for meeting notification are not eligible for this free public service. Sorry, bingo, garage sales, raffle ticket sales, or political campaigning information is not eligible.)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Sing-a-long to the oldies with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Center, 5039 Campbell Road.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

My Brother's Hope will be accepting donations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). For more information, call Susan Armstrong at (989) 724-6365.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-4483.

A blood pressure clinic will be held at 3:30 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road.

The 4-H Archery Group will meet from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

Enjoy popcorn and a movie at 12:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

The Alcona FFA Alumni Association will host its annual meeting at 6 p.m. at Alcona High School. There will be a potluck style dinner in the cafeteria, the alumni will purchase the main

course. Those attending are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. Everyone is welcome, attendees do not have to be a former FFA member. For more information, contact Mike Suitor at (989) 736-8534 or e-mail at alconaffaalumni@gmail.com.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

The Alcona County Food Pantry will be open from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23). Proof of residency required.

Recycle Alcona County will hold drop off day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lincoln ARA site. Enter and exit through the north gate. For more information, call (989) 724-5077 or (989) 724-6546.

Harrisville Cub Scout Pack 3093 will hold a can and bottle drive from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the ARA site in Lincoln.

A Fishing for the Future Tournament will be held at Van Etten Lake in Oscoda from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and is open to youth and adults. Holes are pre-drilled and participants pay to fish in numbered holes. To register for this event or for more information, call the Iosco Conservation District at (989) 362-2591 or the Alcona Conservation District at (989) 724-5272.

Don McEwen Kid's Ice Fishing Tournament will be held at Jewell Lake in Barton City. This is a free tournament for kids and young adults under age 15. Registration begins at 10 a.m. Poles, bait and holes provided. Adult fishermen will be available for assistance. Free hot dogs, hot cocoa.

A craft show and bake sale will be held at Lost Lake Woods Clubhouse, 4243 Lost Lake Trail in Lincoln from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission. For more information, call Nancy at (989) 736-6545.

My Brother's Hope will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). For more information, call Susan Armstrong at (989) 724-6365.

A meal will be served at My Brother's Hope Potluck Cafe, located in the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23) from 9:30 to 11 a.m. For more information, call Susan Armstrong at (989) 724-6365.

Northern Lights Arena will host the Detroit Red Wings Alumni Game at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$11 in advance and \$13 at the door. Children age 12 and under are \$6 in advance at \$8 at the door. All ticket sales benefit the Alpena Flyers. You can purchase tickets at Frank's Key and Lock Shop in Alpena, Northern Lights Arena or online at www.northern-lightsarena.com.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

A Sweetheart Dinner will be served at the Curtis Township Hall in Glennie from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dinner includes a beef hoagie sandwich, salad bar and homemade pie. All proceeds go to the Curtis Area Emergency Relief Fund. For more information, call Millie at (989) 735-4000.

Members of Huron Shores Chorus will begin rehearsals for its annual spring program from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at Tawas Area Presbyterian Church. The theme for the chorus' program will celebrate the beauty of our world and the joy of spring. Anyone with a desire to sing is welcome, there are no auditions. Previous experience with music is helpful but not required. Concert dates are the last full weekend in April.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

All ladies are invited to play bunco at 2:30 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road. Firsttimers welcome.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Weight Loss Support group will meet at 4 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 101 East Main Street in Lincoln. Visitors are welcome and there is no membership fee. For more information, call (989) 736-8645 or (989) 736-8338.

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Barton City: Velma Stout

Curran: Jordon's Chainsaw Carvings, Wolverine Installation, Mitchell Township Citizen Watch, Buck Stop, Welch Land & Timber, Sally's Avon, Black Bear Festival and Neal



Local Notes

oranges. • Thursday, Feb. 19—Pepper steak over rice, mixed vegetables and pineapple.

tato, broccoli and mandarin

• Friday, Feb. 20—Smothered chicken breast, buttered noodles, stewed tomatoes, tossed salad and peaches.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Red Wings Alumni Game

Northern Lights Arena is hosting the Detroit Red Wings alumni game this year on Saturday, Feb. 14. Those attending will see their favorite Red Wings legends up close. Game time is 3 p.m. This event is sponsored by Lafarge Corporation. Fun-filled activities are planned for the entire family including "Chuck-A-Puck," 50/50 raffle, silent auction and much more. Tickets for adults are \$11 in advance or \$13 at the door. Children 12 and under are \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door. All ticket sales benefit the Alpena Flyers. Tickets may be purchased at Frank's Key and Lock Shop in Alpena, Northern Lights Arena and online at www.northernlightsarena.com.

Bereavement Support Group

The Wings of Wellness Bereavement Support is for individuals experiencing the death of a significant person in their life. The sessions will be held in the inspirational room at Hospice Angelic Care, located at 314 M-55, Tawas City starting at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30. The six week session will provide information and support to adults who have experienced a loss of a loved one through death of any kind. At each session, members will receive information about normal grief responses and practical tools to help support the bereaved through the grief journey. The sessions will be facilitated by Lacey Selman, a licensed social worker trained in bereavement counseling and support.

There is no cost to attend the group, but registration is required. For more information, call the Hospice Angelic Care office at (989) 362-6600 and ask for the bereavement coordinator or e-mail hospiceangeliccare@yahoo.com.

Away at School

- · Kathryn Niemetta recently graduated from Spring Arbor University with a bachelor's degree in social work. She is the daughter of Jeffrey and Nina Niemetta of Lincoln.
- · Danielle M. Failla of Lincoln recently graduated from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology.
- Cody Franklin of Lincoln was named to the academic honors list for the fall 2014 semester at Spring Arbor University. To achieve honors list recognition, students

must earn a 3.7 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Local

Notes

- Amanda Pinko of Glennie was named to the dean's list for the fall 2014 semester at Western Michigan University. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.
- · Nathaniel Latuszek of Hubbard Lake was named to the dean's list for the fall 2014 semester at Western Michigan University. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.
- Connor Johnson of Ossineke was named to the dean's list for the fall 2014 semester at Western Michigan University. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.
- Luke Wiltse of Oscoda was named to the dean's list for the fall 2014 semester at Western Michigan University. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Gauthier MTA Treasurer

Sanborn Township (Alpena Co.) Supervisor Kenneth Gauthier has been elected treasurer of the Michigan Townships Association (MTA). He was elected to the position by MTA-member township officials at the association's annual Educational Conference & Expo, held Jan. 27 through 30 in Grand Rapids, Mich. Gauthier, who has been township supervisor since 1986, has served on the MTA Board of Directors since 2005. He represents township officials in Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle counties as MTA District 7 director on the MTA Board. "I am excited to continue serving MTA members in my new role as treasurer," Gauthier said. "Townships are the form of government closest to the people, and I look forward to promoting that message through legislative involvement and continuing education."

He currently serves on the Negwegon-Rockport and Thompson Harbor State Park Advisory Committee and participates in the Alpena County Intergovernmental Council. Gauthier is a former chairman and member of the Area Senior Citizens board of directors, and served on the Alpena County Senior Committee and county Recreation Committee.

Travel Survey

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) are kicking off a yearlong household travel survey that will provide vital information necessary to set transportation priorities for the next 20 years. The survey, MI Travel Counts, will be

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Sanctuary in Alpena will

present his latest research

on the history of one of the

area's most famous (and

deadly) shipwrecks, the

steamer Pewabic, at 6 p.m.

on Thursday, Feb. 19 at the

Harrisville branch of the Al-

cona County Library.

Hartmeyer draws on social,

cultural, economic and ar-

chaeological sources to illu-

minate Pewabic as a reflec-

tion of America's turbulent

climate during and immedi-

ately following the Civil War.

No registration is required

for this free program. For

more information, call (989)

The following meals will be

served at various times dur-

ing the week at senior cen-

ters in Glennie, Greenbush

and Lincoln. Anyone plan-

ning to attend a meal is asked

to reserve a place by calling

(989) 736-8879 by 10 a.m.

Roasted pork, red bliss potatoes, carrots and apple sauce.

bon chicken, rice pilaf, peas,

tossed salad and mixed fruit.

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New kids at Alcona High School

By Mary Weber Staff Writer

Five new kids showed up for school Monday morning, despite the school being closed for a snow day.

The "kids" are newborn goats currently residing at Alcona High School. Three does were delivered by Addie, a fouryear-old goat, on Sunday night. Two bucks were delivered by April, Addie's mother, who is five-years-old, last Friday evening. The goats are the supervised agriculture education (SAE) project by senior Seth Tulgetske.

Tulgetske has always been interested in farm animals and likes the way goats interact, so it was an easy decision to pick two of his goats as the school project this year.

For the past three years, sheep have been the focus of senior FFA SAE projects and a live feed video camera which shows the animals 24-hours a day, seven days a week was named "Ewe-tube."

This year the live feed is still available but Seth is calling it "Kid-tube" instead. "I think the rest of the class really likes the goats instead of sheep this year. They can interact more with the goats, the goats are really friendly. Addie likes to be petted a lot. April likes to watch Russ Champagne (a paraprofessional instructor) who has a window office off of Addie's stall. She's always looking at him," Tulgetske

The goats are a mix of Alpine Nubian breeds and were bred at Tulgetske's farm before they arrived at the school on January 12. Since then the students have been bonding with them waiting for their new arrivals.

Tulgetske has been farming goats for milk and meat for about five years. He said it's different having the goats at school to take care of. "There's a lot more people involved. I've taught the ones who wanted to learn how to handle the goats," Tulgetske said as the newborns jumped and frolicked around his feet.

Tulgetske is at the school



Seth Tulgetske, a senior at Alcona High School, holds two newborn bucks which were delivered at school this weekend. The goats are part of Tulgetske's FFA supervised agriculture education (SAE) project and have been residing at the school since January 12. Photo by Mary Weber.

nearly every day, Saturday and Sundays included, to care for the goats which get grain twice a day and fresh hay throughout the day. However, he explained, Mike Suitor, Beth Read, Russ Champagne and his mom, Melissa June, have all pitched in and helped too.

June said goats are very much like dogs as they really like a lot of hands-on attention. She added the goats seem to have more human emotions than sheep, which they have both on their farm. "The goats get happy and sad and sometimes depressed, they get moody and jealous," June said. Tulgetske explained the goats smile when they are happy and a lot of people have them as pets and companions for dogs and horses because they get along with other animals so well.

The senior said he will be keeping the goats at the school until about May. He is planning to keep all of the does for future milk use and will probably keep one or both bucks.

Tulgetske plans to attend Michigan State University after graduation to study beef cattle management. To view the "Kid-tube" live feed via

Internet visit http:// 207.74.82.254/view/ viewer_index.shtml?id=11885, or find the feed on the school's Facebook page at Alcona Community Schools.

NOTICE

The city of Harrisville will be accepting letters of interest from city residents to fill the following positions. Planning Commission-3 vacancies Tax Board of Review-1 vacancy Zoning Board of Appeals- 1 alternate





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INVITATION TO BID

Oscoda Area Schools 3550 East River Road Oscoda, Michigan 48750

Wireless Network

The Board of Education of the Oscoda Area Schools, losco and Alcona counties, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for a wireless network. Sealed bids will be received until 3 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, 2015, at which time all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Sealed bids should be sent to:

> Oscoda Area Schools Attn: Sue Barnhart Central Office 3550 E. River Road Oscoda, MI 48750

Proposals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "2015 WIRELESS NETWORK SEALED BID" for Oscoda Area Schools, and shall be identified with the bidder's name and address and the date and time of the bid opening.

DESCRIPTION:

Provide, install, configure and commission a fully operational Local Area Network (LAN) and wireless network for Oscoda High School and Richardson Elementary Middle School. Contract documents may be obtained from the Convergent Technology Partners BidPro website at www.ctpartners.net/rfp. (registration is required), from the Board of Education Office located at 3550 East River Road, Oscoda, Michigan, by calling (989) 739-2033, or from the District website at www.oscodaschools.org.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount not less than five percent of the proposal amount, made payable to Oscoda Area Schools.

Each bid proposal must be accompanied by a Familial Disclosure Form in accordance with MCL 280.1267 and an Iran Economic Sanctions Act Form in compliance with Michigan Public Act No. 517 of 2012. Bid proposals that do not include the two sworn and notarized forms shall not be accepted.

The owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities, reject any or all bids, accept any portion of the bid, or accept any bid, when in the opinion of the owner, such action will best serve the district's interest.

The owner reserves the right to accept alternates in any combination and to determine the low bidder on the basis of the sum of the base bid and any alternates accepted.

Withdrawal of any bid is prohibited for a period of thirty (30) days after the time set for opening of proposals.

All questions are to be directed to Jana Stepp, technology director at Oscoda Area Schools, e-mail steppj@oscodaschools.org.

Edward Davis, Secretary

Tiger bowling team takes Tawas Braves

Alcona High School bowling team competed against the Tawas Braves at Hi Skore Lanes in West Branch, Mich.

The Tigers defeated the Braves in the first team game 155 to 121. Then, the Tigers won the second team game 179 to 121. Alcona won the overall with a total team score of 334 to 254.

In the first individual game, Brandon Sweet defeated Van Duda 163 to 139; Robert Levesque defeated Seth Finley 161 to 188; Brett Wambold defeated Nicholas Hemker 185 to 121; Jay Nordstorm and Cory Hoffman combined to defeat Morgan Garrett 167 to 143; and Leigh Gibson defeated Logan Perkett 221 to 174.

Each Tiger won their individual games totaling 897 to 695.

On Saturday, Feb. 7 the In the second set of individual games Levesque defeated Duda 233 to 98; Nordstorm defeated Finley 177 to 115; Sweet defeated Hemker 138 to 99; Travis Pawloski defeated Garrett 170 to 110; and Hoffman wrapped up the total Tiger win by defeating Perkett 181 to 125.

The Tigers won the second set of individual games with totals of 899 to 547.

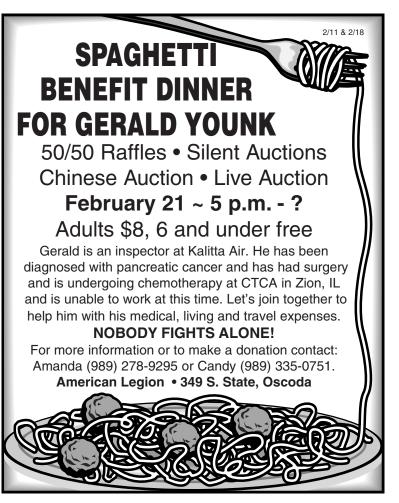
The Tigers host the matches for the Huron Shores Bowling Conference Saturday, Feb. 14 at Village Lanes in Harrisville. The Tigers will start off against the Oscoda Owls at 10 a.m., the other eight teams will compete at 1 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend the matches.

~ Submitted by coach Ron Ellsworth

Oscoda Board of Education

REVISED NOTICE

The Alcona Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for the fiscal year 2015-16 at the Alcona Township Hall at 5576 US-23 on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 during the regular monthly meeting starting at 7 p.m. The proposed tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the clerk's office. Please call (989) 471-2948.



Tigers take down Vikings, lose first home game to Mio

By Jordan Steiner Basketball Writer

On February 6, the Mio Thunderbolts came to town to take on the Alcona Tigers in a big North Star League conference matchup, which saw Mio pull out a 56-50

barn burner to hand the Ti-

gers their first home loss of

the season.

The Alcona varsity boys basketball team came out of the gates strong on a 7-0 run and maintained the lead until the end of the first quarter, which ended at 13-12. The Tigers went on another 7-0 run to open up the second quarter, but the Thunderbolts had an answer of six straight points. Alcona held the lead at halftime which ended at 28-24.

Alcona was able to hold a slim 38-36 lead over the Thunderbolts as the third quarter ended. The last two minutes of the fourth quarter was Alcona's downfall in

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this highly competitive game. It all started when senior cocaptain Brandon Ritchie went up to block a Mio shot, and came down hard on his ankle. He was carried off the floor from the injury.

The Tigers were able to keep it close up until the end, but Mio was able to knock down clutch free throws to get the 56-50 win.

Trenton LaVergne put up 17 points; Nate Swinson had 11; Jason Steiner chipped in with 10 points; Alec Link had six points; Brandon Smigelski pitched in with four and Hunter Sullivan added two points.

The junior varsity team picked up a win against Mio. They were led by Tim Hutchinson and Alex Stephenson who had 16 points each.

On February 3, the Tigers hosted the Posen Vikings and picked up a big win. The first quarter was closely contested by the Vikings, but the Tigers used a big second and third quarter to pull away from Posen and never looked back.

Alcona had a 16-12 lead to end the first quarter, and held Posen to seven points in the second quarter while they went on to score 20 points to take the 36-19 lead into halftime. In the third quarter the Tigers' defense came to life and held the Vikings scoreless, as they took a 48-19 lead into the fourth quarter They eventually finished off Posen with a final of 59-33

LaVergne led the Tigers with 18 points. Steiner had 12; Smigelski and Swinson had eight and seven points respectively. Link had five points; Tristan Gordy chipped in with four points; Nick Lamantia added three points and Sullivan pitched in with two points. Their record stands at 9-5.

The junior varsity team also picked up a win as they breezed by the Vikings. Their record now stands at 12-2.

Lady Tigers top Mio in overtime win

By Hope Smith

Sportswriter

The Alcona varsity girls basketball team stepped up to the challenge Thursday, Feb. 5 in Mio and brought home the 50-40 overtime vic-

Although Alcona started off a little slow offensively trailing 11-9 at the end of the first quarter, they turned things around in the second quarter to take the 20-17 lead heading into halftime.

In the third period, it was a battle for position as the Lady Tigers traded basket for basket with Mio as the Thunderbolts continued to inch closer on the scoreboard. However, Alcona clamped down on defense to maintain the 30-26 lead at the sound of the buzzer. It was a battle to the very end with the Lady Tigers coming up short 14-10 in the final period to force the 40-40 knot.

There was no turning back in overtime as the Lady Tigers kept their eyes on the prize and dominated the floor going on a 10-0 offensive run to finish the night strong.

"We came to play again tonight and we finally pulled one out. It was a great effort especially on the defensive end," said coach Brad Cole.

Alcona's Nicole Walen led the way earning her first double-double with 13 points and 10 rebounds. Torie Harmon added 11 points;

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Sydney Pierce delivered nine points; Samantha Schopfer had seven points and Alissa Terspstra chipped in six points and gathered seven rebounds. Kendra Cole put in four points and snatched six rebounds for the win.

Alcona's junior varsity team brought home the 56-16 victory over Mio.

On Monday, Feb. 2 the Lady Tigers traveled to match up against the Posen Vikings. In the first period, it was a battle in the paint with Posen jumping out to a 4-2 lead over Alcona. The Lady Tigers clawed their way back to 12-5 by the end of the second quarter. Alcona started to gain some momentum in the third quarter thanks, in part, to their tough defensive pressure which helped extend Alcona's lead to 23-17 going into the final period.

The Vikings proved they weren't going away in the final period. Instead they turned up defensive pressure of their own and outscored Alcona 19-6 to come away with the 3 6-29 victory.

"The final score does not dictate the outcome of the game. I am very proud of my players," Cole said.

Pierce made 10 points and snatched four steals. Walen added seven points and six rebounds. Schopfer put up six points; Sierra Forsythe added four points; Keilee Elmer had two points and grabbed five rebounds. Cole dominated the paint with 14 rebounds, three blocks and five assists.

The junior varsity team earned the 47-29 win on the road against the Vikings.

The Lady Tigers (7-9 overall) will travel to Hillman on Thursday, Feb. 12. Tipoff for the junior varsity contest is at 6 p.m. followed by the varsity team at 7:30 p.m.

United Way of Northeast Michigan 2016 Community Investment Applications Available

The United Way of Northeast Michigan (UWNM) is currently accepting applications for 2016 funding. Eligibility guidelines are as follows:

- Agencies/organizations must be non-profit and have a 501(c)(3) status from the IRS.
- Agencies/organizations must provide human service programs/projects.
- Agencies/organizations service area(s) must be Alpena, and/or Alcona, and/or Montmorency
- Agencies/organizations must be incorporated under the laws of the State of Michigan, or other jurisdictions meeting Michigan standards, as a non-profit entity for a period of no less than two (2)
- Consideration will be made for funding programs of schools and governmental organizations, as long as they are specific and discreet programs/projects and not covered by tax funds.
- New or existing programs can receive funding as long as they meet UWNM criteria.
- Programs/projects must meet one or more of the four (4) funding areas:
 - Education Preparing children to enter school and graduate from school.
 - > Health Increasing access to health care, nutrition, and health environments.
 - > Income Increasing individual and family financial stability.
 - > Basic Needs Dedicated to providing a secure existence to all individuals by assisting them with the basic needs in life; food, clothing, shelter, utility services, etc.

The UWNM does not fund the following:

- Political campaigns
- Sectarian programs (we will fund a program(s) of a religious organization as long as the program does not include religious content and is open to all).
- Loan payments or deficit spending
- Services normally supported by tax dollars
- Capital campaigns for buildings

Programs more likely to be funded will:

- Address identified and/or emerging community human care service needs
- Benefit a significant number of people
- Deliver services efficiently and cost-effectively
- Encourage self-reliance
- Avoid duplication of services
- Focus on prevention
- · Enhance cooperation and collaboration among organizations

Applications can be requested by contacting United Way of Northeast Michigan at (989) 354-2221 or via e-mail to apstoppa@unitedwaynemi.org with the subject application. If applying for more than one program/project, a separate application for each program/project must be submitted. Application(s) are due by 4 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 2015.

Organizations seeking funding are asked to be reasonable in their financial request regarding the program or programs they are seeking funding.

For more information, contact Germaine Stoppa, executive director of the United Way at (989) 354-2221 or stop by their office at 701 Woodward Avenue, Alpena (the upper level of the APlex).

SENIOR LIFESTYLES

Who should buy long-term care insurance?

Dear Savvy Senior,

Is there a good rule of thumb on who should buy a long-term care insurance policy? My wife and I have a few assets we'd like to protect but we hate the idea of paying expensive monthly premiums for a policy we may never use.

Planning Ahead

Dear Planning,

There are two key factors your financial situation and health history – you need to mull over that can help you decide if buying a long-term care (LTC) insurance policy is a wise decision for you while assisted living averages and/or your wife. Currently, only around eight million Americans own a policy. Here's what you should

As the cost of LTC (which includes nursing home, assisted living and in-home care) continues to skyrocket, it's important to know that most people pay for LTC either from personal savings or Medicaid when their savings is depleted, or through a LTC insurance policy. National median average costs for nursing home care today is over \$87,000 per year,

\$42,000/year.

While national statistics show that about 70 percent of Americans 65 and older will need some kind of LTC, most people do not need to purchase a LTC insurance policy. In fact, according to a recent study at the Boston College Center for Retirement Research only 19 percent of men and 31 percent of women should actually get one.

The reasons stem from a range of factors, including the fact that relatively few people have enough wealth to protect to make purchasing a policy worthwhile. Seniors with limited financial resources who need LTC turn to Medicaid to pick up the tab after they run out of money.

Another important factor is that most seniors who need LTC only need it for a short period of time - for example, when they're recovering from surgery. For those people, Medicare covers in-home health care and nursing home stays of 100 days or less fol-



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lowing a hospital stay of more than three consecutive days.

LTC insurance policies make the most sense for people who can afford the monthly premiums, and who have assets of at least \$150,000 or more that they want to protect - not counting their home and vehicles.

Another factor to weigh is your personal health and family health history. The two most common reasons seniors need extended longterm care is because of dementia and/or disability. And, almost half of all people who live in nursing homes are 85 years or older.

So, what's your family his-

tory for Alzheimer's, stroke or some other disabling health condition, and do you have a family history of longevity? The U.S. Surgeon General offers a free tool at familyhistory.hhs.gov to help you collect, organize and evaluate your genetic risks.

You also need to factor in gender too. Because women live and average of five years longer than men, they are at greater risk of needing extended LTC.

After evaluating your situation, if you're leaning towards buying a LTC policy, be sure to do your homework. The cost of premiums

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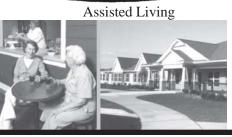
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2015 BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE MIKADO TOWNSHIP

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2015 Board of Review Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, March 4, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.
Organizational Meeting
No appeals will be taken at this meeting.

Wednesday, March 11, 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 13, 1:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Review will meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests, and to equalize the 2015 assessments.

By Board Resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 10, 2015.

The tentative ratios and estimated multipliers provided by the Alcona Equalization Department for each class of real property and personal property for 2015 are as follows:

	Ratios	Multipliers
Agricultural	45.54	1.09794
Commercial	51.49	0.97106
Industrial	N/A	N/A
Residential	50.47	0.99069
Timber Cutover	N/A	N/A
Development	N/A	N/A
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven – days notice. Contact Jesus "Yogi" Yruegas or Rita D. Sands at (989) 736-7721.

Dealing with an obsession

By Warren MacNeill Columnist

"Hi, my name is Bob and I have a fishing problem."

This is a recent Facebook post I saw from a friend. The photo accompanying the post had Bob sitting at his kitchen table holding a filet knife looking over three walleye and four large perch. The fish were neatly laid out on a newspaper.

The following comments ranged from friends showing true support to comments that chastised Bob for the fish on his kitchen table. The negative comments made me realize how shallow and insensitive some people can be when a friend faces his addiction head on.

I have known Bob for some time. I first met him when he was a sparkling new trooper and was my partner in the "Hot Pink Bikini Rescue." (Now, that is a story worth telling, but not today. It falls way outside my editor's word count guidelines). I have watched Bob grow in his profession and as an outdoorsman. Through Facebook I have witnessed his son grow into a carbon copy of himself, sharing his hunting and fishing obsession; an ever present outdoor sidekick.

When I read Bob's post, I interpreted it as a person reaching out for help. He is a friend, a brother-in-arms and a brother in outdoor obsession; therefore, I feel obligated to extend a helping hand. Thinking about his plight, I have come up with a six-step program to help him deal with his addiction. I know there are 12-step programs out there, but my experience as a sportsman is we won't read a guide book if there is more than one paragraph explaining a rule. We sure aren't going to read 12 steps.

If you are the frustrated, alienated spouse of a fishing addict, please skip to Step 5.



Castside Outside

By Warren MacNeill

• Step 1. Admit there is an issue. This is a biggie, it shows vulnerability, and wives love this stuff. If you don't believe me just go to the humane society with them and watch which animals they choose to love up. They will pass up the big, broad-headed, thick chested, muzzle-scared, waterfowl retrieving machine every time to pick up a scruffy, cry-baby kitten with frost bitten ears.

In the photo of Bob on his Facebook post, he has dropped shoulders and down cast eyes that are looking through a wrinkled brow. I can only say one thing about this photo, "nailed it." I loved the touch of the Stormy Kromer matted hair too.

 Step 2. Establish a support group. A support group is very important and will do several things for the tormented. My experience is family works very well for this - like a son or a daughter, the younger the better. They help you wean off the need to run for every tip up flag. Eventually, if they are trained right, they will run for every flag while you do important things like keeping the grill going and thermally enhancing cuts of processed meat. Bob's son -- his mini me -- is bestowed with the same puppy-dog eye talent. With a mini me he can say things like, "I'm keeping him out of trouble ... "giving him important life lessons"... or "teaching him a skill." The big bonus is they are a perfect excuse for the unintentional

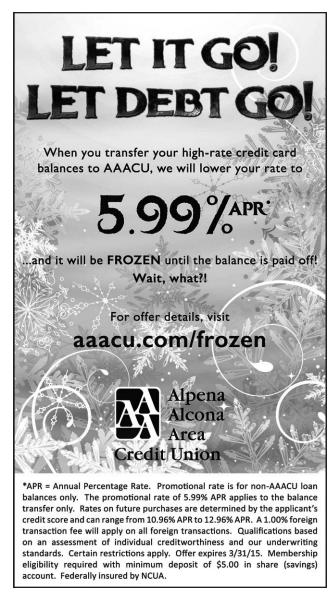
stops at places like Cabala's, Jay's, Frank's, Northwoods or many other sporting goods stores. It's hard to be successful at keeping kids out of trouble these days, so you need tools, aka toys. If you play your cards right, but not too often, an "accidental" firearm, bow or fish shanty purchase can slip under the radar.

The second type of support group can have its advantages, but often comes with dangerous baggage and unpredictable downfalls. This would be the fishing buddy. The advantage of the fishing buddy is that they may have really cool stuff that you don't.

Fishing buddies are broken down into two basic categories -- the married and the single. My experience with single fishing buddies is they do not understand the delicate dynamics of the good fishing story, aka excuse. They also have not developed the "not my fault look." They will take advantage of the married guy's need to be one of the boys, but not understand the "not too much, though" boundary.

My advice is stick with buddies who are like you, and understand your position.

- Step 3. Learn from your mistakes. Examine past errors. Most mistakes will happen with the fishing buddy that has nothing to lose, i.e. single. We have all been there and there is no need for examples that may open old wounds.
- Step 4. Make amends. Refer to step one -- and a little humble apology helps a lot. This is the perfect time to throw in the information that if you had a UTV or an ATV you would have made it home in time for her sister's birthday party. To further drive this point home you can offer the argument that if she would have let you buy that UTV or ATV you wouldn't have had to pay that large tow bill to get your truck off the bottom of the lake. That is called "the redirect point." Only to be used as a last resort.
- Step 5. Recognize this obsession is stronger than you are. If you really want to survive this, take your significant other with you. Get a warm shanty with a heater. Take your kids and their friends with you. Make this a fun day filled with good memories and family time. Buy a good set of warm and waterproof boots for her. My experience is that a cold, wet partner is not a happy partner. (I had this point driven home during a little AuSable River canoe mishap on an afternoon in March.) Make the fishing location easy to get to. Don't make the walk too far -- but make it far





Early Bloomers February 3

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Rosebuds	142	50
Mums	102.5	89.5
Daffodils	88.5	103.5
Violets	83.5	108.5
Buttercups	82.5	109.5
Marigolds	75	117
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High series: Carla Travis, 537. High team game: Violets, 471. High team series: Rosebuds, 1,247.

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Alcona Abstract	t 140.5	69.5
Stoney Acres	128	82
JB's Auto	114	96
Lincoln Prec.	111	99
Ark Plumbing	110.5	99.5
Alcona Tool	104	106
Back Alley Bar	91	119
High game: Ch	arisse	Mitchel

High series: Lynn Gibson, 573. High handicap game: Charisse Mitchell, 285.

222.

High handicap series: Debbie Gage, 658.

He's & She's

January 30

Wine Tards	69	21	
Splits Happen	62.5	27.5	
3 Right/Wrong	59	31	
Family Affair	52	38	
Up Your Alley	46	44	
Wild Ones	27.5	62.5	
Part Timers	22	68	
Men's high g	ame:	Stepher	
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Man's high carios: Daya Glazar			

Men's high series: Dave Glazar, 597. Men's high handicap game: Nick

Cordes, 268. Men's high handicap series: Tim

Eilf, 710. Women's high game: Dava

Abend, 172. Women's high series: Gale

Rowley, 480.

Women's high handicap game and series: Kristin Bilbey, 245

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can vary greatly (ranging anywhere between \$1,200 and \$8,000 per year for a couple) depending on your age, the insurer, and the policy's provisions. To help you find a policy, get a long-term care insurance specialist who works with a variety of companies. See aaltci.org to locate one. Also shop insurers like Northwestern Mutual and New York Life, who work only with their own agents.

If you want to save money, find out if your state offers a LTC partnership program (see aaltci.org/partnership). Under these programs, if you buy a long-term care policy approved by your state Medicaid agency, you can protect an amount of assets from Medicaid equal to the benefits that your policy pays

(Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org.)

Cullinan/Unkovich pledge vows

Alison D. Cullinan and Matthew J. Unkovich were married on April 5, 2014 at Old St. Patrick's Church in Chicago, Ill. by Father Thomas J. Hurley.

The bride is the daughter of Diane and Doug Oberhelman and Margee and Michael Cullinan, all of Peoria, Ill. She graduated from Peoria Notre Dame High School in 2002, then earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Illinois and a Master of Arts in education from National Louis University. She is a first-grade teacher for Chicago Public Schools.

The bride was attended by matrons of honor Kathleen Cullinan-Brill and Maureen Cullinan-Bennett. The bridesmaids were Molly Maus, Michelle Unkovich-Thompson, Maria Unkovich-McDougall, Sarah Whitten, Puja Batura, Emily Shields, Marci Peck, Sara Diorio, Marissa Brokof and Rachel

The groom is the son of Nadine and John Unkovich of Hubbard Lake. He graduated from Alcona High School in 2003. He earned a Bachelor of Business Administration in banking and finance from Northwood University. He is a senior associate at DHR International.

The groom was attended by his best man Michael J. Unkovich. The groomsmen were Allen Cullinan, Josh Thompson, Matthew McDougall, Tyson Brill and Christopher Bennett.

Thomas Mathers, Timothy Maus and Marshall Farnum were the ushers and Kathy Burdon and Timothy Kramer

The couple traveled to Grenada for their honeymoon and live in Chicago, Ill.



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Monday, March 9

2.00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Friday, March 13 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon & 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Protests may be filed in writing.

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, to examine the Assessment Roll.

No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Appearing below are the recommended tentative Equalization Ratios and Estimated Multipliers as provided by Alcona Equalization Department.

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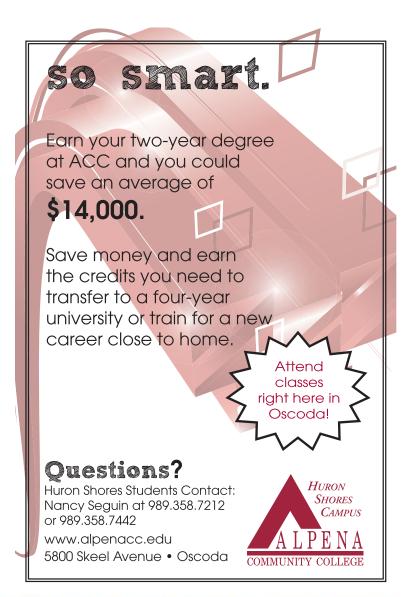
The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven – days notice. Contact Edward Roddy (989) 739-2159 or David Dailey (989) 739-5088

Edward Roddy

Greenbush Township Supervisor

2/11 thru 2/25





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(men who were drafted) be shipped out. That is where the community would see them off and where the crying, which was the fashion, was done as they left... We went to Detroit and then on to Battle Creek - that was the staging center," Peterson said.

"I didn't know what to think or expect. All I knew was my fanny was in the service and let's get this over with and get back home," he said. Peterson went through basic training in Arkansas and landed in Fort Mead, Md. The then 20-year-old was disappointed with the lack of action. "It wasn't what I thought it would be... every Saturday it was parade, parade, parade... every young man wanted to go overseas and get this over with."

When presented with the opportunity to volunteer for the FSSF and train in stealth tactics; hand-to-hand combat; explosives for demolition; parachuting, amphibious warfare, rock climbing, mountain warfare and as ski troops, Peterson jumped at the chance. Little did he know what he was getting into.

According to Peterson, 200 men volunteered from his base, 20 were accepted into the training. A lot of men were sent back to their units. Lt. Colonel Robert T. Frederick was the commander for the FSSF. "The colonel Frederick was the backbone of it... he was one tough cookie. He was the one who decided who stayed and who went back to their unit," he said.

'You get to a point (during the training) where you have to prove to those (guys) that you are tougher than they were – and I did. And, I survived," Peterson said. "They wanted the utmost out of us. It was one tough unit... we became good friends."



Peterson during the summer of 2010. Photo by Cheryl Peterson.

Despite their training and toughness, the first combat assignment of the FSSF, as Peterson described it, was "baptism by fire in Italy." On November 19, 1943 the FSSF went "into the line with the U.S. 36th Infantry Division at Monte la Difensa in Italy. According to the FSSF Association, between December 3 and December 6, 1943 the FSSF wiped out a strategic enemy defensive position that sat high atop a mountain surrounded by steep cliffs. They earned a reputation for being able to take impenetrable objectives when no one else could.

"We climbed up the back of that mountain, sometimes hanging on by our fingernails, to take out the Germans... The 36th division tried to get them off that mountain for three and a half months - we did it in 36 hours... it was one tough mess up there on top of that hill. A lot of good buddies were lost on that mountain. One day you are laughing with your buddies and the next you are scrapping up pieces of them... it's a terrible, terrible thing - I cannot emphasize that enough," Peterson said.

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History of the First Special Service Force

The First Special Service Force (FSSF) was a joint World War II American-Canadian commando unit ing a shot, and then disaptrained at Fort Harrison near Helena, Mont.

and Canadian special forces units trace their heritage to this unit.

Background

The volunteers for the 1.800-man force consisted primarily of enlisted men recruited by advertising at Army posts, stating that preference was to be given to men previously employed as lumberjacks, forest rangers, hunters, game wardens, and the like.

The FSSF was officially activated in July of 1942 under the command of Lt. Colonel Robert T. Frederick. Feared for their fighting prowess, the monicker "The Black Devils" was adopted after the discovery of the personal diary of a German officer referring to "die schwarzen Teufeln (the Black Devils)." With blackened faces, small units would often overwhelm German defenders without firpear into the night.

FSSF members received Many modern American rigorous and intensive training in stealth tactics; nandto-hand combat; the use of explosives for demolition; parachuting; amphibious warfare; rock-climbing; mountain warfare, and as ski troops. From the outset, the FSSF was armed with a variety of nonstandard or limited-issue weapons, such as the M1941 Johnson machine gun -- which helped increase the firepower of the unit and was highly regarded by those who used it in combat.

> Frederick himself participated in the design of a fighting knife made exclusively for the Force called the V-42 combat knife, a derivative of the Fairbairn-Sykes fighting knife.

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conducted by Westat, a nationally recognized research firm, for MDOT and SEMCOG. Transportation agencies will use the data to better understand changes in household travel and project citizens' future travel

needs.

Starting in February and continuing throughout the year, randomly selected households will receive a letter inviting household members to participate in the study by providing some demographic information and filling out a travel diary. The diary will detail household activities for 24 hours; information can be provided online or by phone. Some participants will be asked to take part in a small section of the study that will use global positioning systems (GPS) devices provided by Westat to collect specific route information about all the places visited over a three-day period.

For more information about MI Travel Counts, call (517) 335-2956 or visit www.-mitravelcounts.com.

Michigan's Forest Land

Michigan's approximately 20 million acres of forest land play a key role in the state's recreation, forest products and other important industries, and the health of those forests is essential to sustaining this vital resource for many generations. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has released its 2014 Forest Health Highlights report, an overview of Michigan's forests, the insects and diseases that have threatened them over the past year, and details about what DNR staff is doing to improve forest resources.

The report breaks down forest health threats by examining insects and diseases, forest decline, invasive plant control and other health concerns. Accompanying photos and maps illustrate the pests and show the effects they have had on Michigan's forest system.

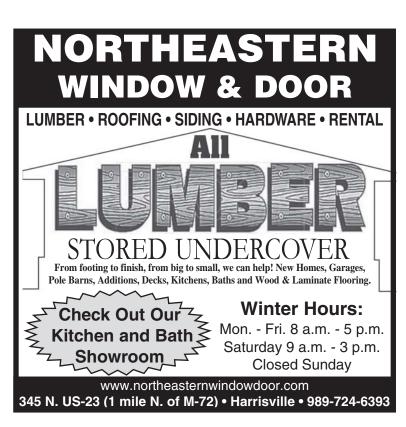
Among the highlights in the report are DNR's efforts to control oak wilt, a serious disease that threatens Michigan's extensive red oak resource. In cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service, tens of thousands of feet of root graft barriers have been installed on state forest land. These barriers prevent oak wilt from moving to healthy trees through infected root systems.

To learn more about the health of the state forest, check out the 2014 Forest Health Highlights report by visiting www.michigan.gov/foresthealth.

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 Seven
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 81

 Back Alley Bar
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 Harbortown Piz. 89.5
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High game and series: Jimmy Armstrong, 300 and 806. High handicap game and series: Matt Fletcher, 367 and 932.

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L.L.W. 62 46 We R Versatile 62 46 Cole's Appl. 57 51 AuSable Inn 57 51 Phil's Barber 49 59 Village Lanes 43 65 High game and series: Ray Medore, 246 and 704.

Men's high handicap game and series: Ray Medore, 277 and 797.

Majors

February 7

Crazy Kids 255 123
Spare Happens 181 197
Pin Busters 167 201
Lucky 7 148 221
Boy's high game and series:
Cory Hoffman, 200 and 473.
Boy's high handicap game: T.J.
Hanson, 252.

Boy's high handicap series: Robert Levesque, 671.

Girl's high game and series: Emily Hoffman, 152 and 350. Girl's high handicap game and series: Emily Hoffman, 231 and 587.

Minors

February 7

Tigers 143 39
Red Skulls 112 44
Girl Power 83 99
Boy's high game and series:
Garrett Somers, 84 and 162.
Boy's high handicap game and series: George Smith, 238 and 472

Girl's high game and series: Emily Hanson, 86 and 157. Girl's high handicap game and series: Emily Hanson, 203 and 391.

Nichols/Smith plan wedding

Lauren P. Nichols and Brandon W. Smith, both of Ann Arbor, Mich., announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Peter and Susan Nichols of Boston, Mass. She is a graduate of Loomis Chaffee High School and is employed by the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.

The future groom is the son of Rodman and Nikki Smith of Las Vegas, Nevada, formerly of Harrisville. He is a graduate of Alcona High School and is employed at Michigan Health Systems, Department of Neurosurgery.

A May 30, 2015 wedding is planned at Misty Farms in Ann Arbor, Mich.



Lauren Nichols and Brandon Smith

Middle School Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Alcona Middle School Principal's List and Honor Roll for the first semester.

Seventh Grade

Principal's Honor Roll
Madison Donovan, Megan
Grove, Colton Inglis, Kassandra Keesler, Alexis Lask,
Brett Nelson, Brooklynn
Pagels, Rose Schopfer, Haley
Spalding, David Watkins and
Courtney Winter.

Honor Roll

Miranda Baker, Isabella Bates, Mason Clark, Alyssa Dellar, Daphnie Hancock, Dominic Howe, Levi Kline, Shane Mendyka, Conner Morgan, Zachary Richardson, Annabelle Rowe, Taylor Stewart, Benjamin Thomas, Lorenda Thomas and Aidan Wrobel.

Eighth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll
Hailee Gordy, Alyssia
Hancock, Joshua Kilbourn,
Antavius Mikazes, Faith
Wallenmaier and Matthew
Warner.

Honor Roll

Patrick Bates, Pierce Bilbey, Regina Cordova, Malcolm Dix, Raegen Eller, Dylan Faszczewski, Ethan Fick, Brianna Fogle, Abigail Franklin, Grace Gombos, Julian Gunderson, Alex Harmon, Emily Hoffman, Daniel Jones, Kelsey Karas, Trinity Keyser, Cody Leeseberg, Justin Smigelski and Damion Stewart.

Club Notes

Alcona FFA

January's Monthly meeting was incredible. The Alcona FFA Chapter has once again outdone themselves with this fun-packed afternoon

First, a quick meeting was held to discuss the upcoming leadership contests and maple syrup days -- both of which we do need support with. Then, we were driven straight to Village Lanes in Harrisville, where we bowled for another hour. Everyone made sure to tell us that they had loads of excitement.

We hope to see everyone at the next monthly meeting, and the Alcona FFA would like to wish you a Happy New Year



Free fishing statewide this weekend

Sunday, Feb. 15, everyone in Michigan - including residents and nonresidents - can fish without a license, though all other fishing regulations still apply.

These two days make up the Winter Free Fishing Weekend - an annual effort to promote Michigan's worldclass fishing opportunities. While many individuals and families will bundle up and head out to fish for free on their own, there are many organized events scheduled throughout the state to celebrate the weekend as well. There are two local events going on this weekend:

• Barton City -- The Don McEwen Kid's Ice Fishing Tournament will be held at Jewell Lake in Barton City. This is a free tournament for kids and young adults under age 15. Registration begins at 10 a.m. Poles, bait and holes provided. Adult fishermen will be available for assistance. Free hot dogs, hot cocoa.

 Oscoda -- A Fishing for the Future Tournament will be held at Van Etten Lake in Oscoda from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and is open to youth and adults. Holes are predrilled and participants pay to fish in numbered holes. To register for this event or for more information, call the **Iosco Conservation District** at (989) 362-2591 or the Alcona Conservation District at (989) 724-5272.

Northeast **Lower Peninsula** February 5

 Grand Lake: Had good perch and walleye fishing. • Thunder Bay River: Ice

anglers were still targeting walleye, pike and perch.

- Higgins Lake: Had some snow but the ice was clean further out. Perch fishing was good in 50 to 60 feet with wax worms, wigglers and minnows. Rainbow trout were caught in shallow waters with wigglers. More anglers are targeting lake trout in 80 to 110 feet.
- Houghton Lake: Anglers still need to use caution in the East Bay where there is usually open water. In the North Bay, it has frozen off Long Point but extreme caution needs to be used. Fishing was a bit slower. Walleye anglers did best at night. The pike were less active but the perch and bluegills were starting to hit.

• Tawas: Perch fishing was really slow right along with the walleye bite. Anglers are going out to 20 feet and getting a few, but no limits. Those spearing pike also reported slower catch rates.

• Au Gres: Most of the action was off Booth Road along the drop-off but some were going south to the Catfish Hole which is off White's Beach. Perch fishing was fair off Palmer Road. Try eight to 10 feet for perch or 12 to 20 feet for walleye. The perch were hitting between dawn and 11 a.m. while the better walleye fishing was early or late.

(The Weekly Fishing Report is intended to give anglers an "idea" of what is going on

On Saturday, Feb. 14 and around the state. Updates for the report come from DNR Fisheries creel clerks and field staff as well as DNR conservation officers working in the field. For those looking for specific information on a certain body of water or port, it is safe to say if a certain species is being caught in some waters in the area, more than likely they are being caught in all waters in that section of the state that



have that species. This report has been provided by the DNR Fisheries Division; (517) 284-5830; located in Constitution Hall, 525 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, Mich. 48933.)



The following individuals were sentenced in 23rd Circuit Court during November and December of 2014.

- Albert George Kredell, 33, of Lincoln was sentenced to one year in jail and fines and costs of \$1,366 for domestic violence assault/resist police officer and interfere with an electronic device.
- · Lucas Grant Pope, 21, of Fenton, Mich. was sentenced to six months in jail and fines and cost of \$1,948 for a probation violation for charges of breaking and entering with intent in which he was sentenced for on December 18, 2012. His original sentence was 13 months of probation and to serve 120 days in jail immediately with 60 days to be served upon further order of the court.

• Amanda Jean Kincaid, 32, of Luzerne, Mich. was sentenced to 73 days in jail, 36 months of probation and fines and costs of \$1,748 for possession of a controlled substance less than 25 grams. She must participate in a rehabilitation program.

• Daniel William Smith, 44, of Barton City was sentenced to nine to 20 years and two to four years in prison (sentences will run concurrently) and fines and costs of \$2,134 for two counts of child sexually abusive material and one count of child abuse activity.

• Adam Steven Wegrzyniak, 24, of Romulus, Mich. was sentenced to three months in jail, 36 months of probation and fines and costs of \$648 for possession of a controlled substance - less than 25 grams, possession of a controlled substance - marijuana, wildlife conservation - possession of a firearm in a vehicle and wildlife conservation – possession of a bow in a vehicle.

• Daniel Arnold Hale, 25, of Lincoln was sentenced to 12 months in jail (with credit for 169 days) for a probation violation for charges of attempted assault with a weapon in which he was sentenced for on August 3, 2013. His original sentence included \$1,598 in costs and fines.

• Kenneth Christopher Compeau, 27, of Omer, Mich. was sentenced to four to 30 years in prison (with 99 day credit) and costs and fines of \$1,448 for safe breaking.

• Mark Alfred Mayville, 55, of Mikado was sentenced to 16 days in jail and fines and costs of \$1,548 for operating while intoxicated - second offense.

The following individuals were sentenced in January.

• Zachary Garritt Balon, 22, of Alpena was sentenced to 150 days in jail (35 days credit), 24 months of probation and fines and costs of \$1,894 for stolen property - get and conceal and larceny less than \$200 - theft of motor vehicle

• William Ardith Jackson, 31, of Lincoln was sentenced to five years, 11 months to 22 years, six months in prison (with credit for 136 days) and fines and costs of \$198 for home invasion, second degree and habitual offender, second degree. He was also sentenced to two to five years in prison (with credit for 124 days) and fines and costs of \$1,998 for arson - personal property. His prison sentences will run concurrently.





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High School Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Alcona High School Principal's List and Honor Roll for the first semester.

Ninth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll Alicia Bishop, Courtney Church, Elizabeth Rowe, Cody Schram, Alexander Stephenson and Alexander

Honor Roll

Jaden Bartz, Layla Carriveau, Kayla Escareno, Daniel Fulsher, Kameesha Fugua, Gerianna Herman, Jack Hutchinson, Timothy Hutchinson, Courtney Jones, Christian Kamischke, Luke

Loyer, Matthew MacMaster, Conner McCoy, Devon Mills, Melayne Odell, Ashley Panzica, Hailey Petty, Ashley Rizzardi, Jacob Schott, Autumn Schwarz, Caitlin Sorensen, Jordan Steiner, Sarah Sweet and Hannah Wassmann.

Tenth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll Keilene Elmer, Zackery Faszczewski, Brock Franklin, Erik Harmon-Davey, Cory Hoffman, Krysta Indish, Jordan Joyce, Kendra LaFave, Madison Lane, Molly McKay, Mindy Mendyka, Taylor Murray, Dresden Parkinson,

Raymond Richardson, Brooke Shultz and Rachel Warner.

Honor Roll

Dan Atkinson, Hannah Canute, Brittany Decker, Katherine Edwards, Jake Gallagher, David Lindsay, Brendan Nelson, Dakota Oke, Taylor Sobeck, Riley Somers and Abigail Sytek.

Eleventh Grade

Principal's Honor Roll Isaac Dubuque, Jessica Grove, Torie Harmon, Alexandra Lask, Ashley Pyle, Alissa Terpstra, Elaina Thomas.

Honor Roll

Brockwell, Thomas Budnick, Trevor Clissold, Connor Durfee, Claire Feldhiser, Coda Gallagher, Jacob Gombos, Brooke Harmon, Mitchel Havercroft, Noah Kenworthy, Harlie Lafond, Alec Link, Sydney Pierce, Jeffery Schram, Hunter Sullivan, Nathaniel Swinson and Brett Wambold.

Twelfth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll Alexis Bloomfield, Victoria Burns, Cassidy Cooper, Alexis Higgins, George Hirschfelt IV, Martha Johnson, Nicholas Lamantia, Trenton Sara Blohm, Frances LaVergne, Maire MacMaster,

Katelyn Nelson, Shannon Oliver, Hannah Riggs, Samantha Schopfer, Morgan Stewart, Nicole Walen and Kalie Zerbst.

Honor Roll

Mykala Basner, Samantha Bosley, Jacob Campbell, Aaron Carrasco, Emalie Hamlett, Breanna Hutchinson, Ryan Johnston, Chase Matthews, Rebekah Maturen, Sage McDermott, Kayla Norgan, Alan Pawloski, Brandon Ritchie, Steven Rizzotto, Jesse Schram, Brandon Smigelski, Jason Steiner, Brandon Sweet, Dalton Vandenboom and Katelyne Wilson.

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enough that an UTV or an ATV would have been nice. There are a lot of guys out there who are smarter than most, that have done this and they are very, very happy sportsmen.

 Step 6. Make your partner your buddy, get them hooked, buy them their own gear and they will buy you

The other day my wife and I met up with some friends who just got back from one of those couples retreat, relationship building, vacation thingies. Looking at some of their pictures, the activities they participated in did not fit my friend's personality. I made a little fun of him, pointing out that he was gone during some pretty good fishing.

I asked him how he got talked into going. He told me that his wife allows him to spend as much as he wants on fishing and hunting gear and she will not complain as long as they spend an equal amount on a couple's vacation. The one set of rules that he has to follow is -- do everything she wants; he cannot complain; he has to act loving; and he has to have fun.

Just when you think you have things figured out, you are introduced to the master.

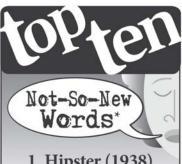
That got me thinking, my wife wants to visit her family in Ireland and I have been giving her a little, "push back" on this. I looked at my friend



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 - 3. Rap (1787)
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- 6. Online (1950)
 - 7. Energy drink
 - (1904)
- 8. Friended (1200s) 9. D'oh! (1945)
- 10. Wiretap (1902)

*Earliest known usage Source: Merriam-Webster and gave him the all-knowing smile and nod. Our spouses didn't catch on because they just looked at each other and shook their

heads.

There is a big date on the calendar coming up -- February 14. In Michigan, February 14 and 15 is free fishing weekend and a fishing license is not needed. This is a great day to take your

partner out fishing. For those with a "fishing problem" this is your opportunity to share something you love with someone you love.

This is a time when there tends to be support group gatherings, otherwise known as fishing tournaments. Get outside, get involved but don't forget that there are other things on the calendar on February 14. (Experience has

shown me this is not a good day to start buying her fishing gear).

Also, February 14 is 10 weeks from the opening of trout season. Ten short weeks to get your significant other hooked on fishing.

Post script: I just saw that Bob fell off the wagon, aka his Yamaha Ranger. It looks like he fell onto Saginaw Bay over some walleye.

Be strong Bob. I've got your back, it's not your fault.

(Editor's Note: See the Fishing Report on page 13 for two local fishing tournaments this weekend.)

(A native of Alcona County, Warren MacNeill has been a conservation officer with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for more than 20 years. He lives in Harrisville.)

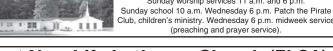
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Calendar of Events



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Play euchre at 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-

The Alcona Book Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from noon to 1 p.m. The selection for February is "Last Train to Paradise" by Les Standiford. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Knitting Klub & Crochet will meet from 1:15 to 3 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library

312 West Main Street. All levels welcome. For more information, call (989) 724-

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Maria Hall behind St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Free to the public.

WEDNESDAY, **FEBRUARY 18**

Food pantry open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Spruce Lutheran Church, 1246 East Spruce Road, Spruce. Clients must be present to receive food and identification is required.

Feb. 11, 2015

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 50%

chance of snow, high temperature of 28°,

humidity of 74%. Southwest wind 10 mph. The

record high temperature for today is 55° set in

1999. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with

a 30% chance of snow, overnight low of 8°. The

*Last Week's Almanac

record low for tonight is -24° set in 1979.

For more information, call (989) 471-5013.

Sing-a-long to the oldies with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Center, 5039 Campbell Road.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

A blood drive will be held from noon to 5:45 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 South Church Street. Bring vour Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive identification. For more information, visit redcrossblood.org or call (800) 733-

General Motors Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees of Northeast Michigan will hold their regular monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Sanctuary Inn, 1000 US-23 North in Alpena. Guest speaker will be Tammy Sobeck, entrepreneur and owner of Vacations Unlimited. Reservations and payment in advance. Contact Chuck Griffin, (989) 727-3350 or Don Cantleberry, (989) 354-5504, for more information.

THURSDAY, **FEBRUARY 19**

The Confident Caregivers group will meet from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Alcona County Commission On Aging, 207 Church Street in Lincoln. This program is designed to provide support and knowledge for people caring for family members with dementia or Alzheimer's. To register, call Meghan Winterstein at (989) 358-4608.

A blood pressure clinic will be held at 3:30 p.m. at the Glennie Senior Center, 4932

The 4-H Archery Group will meet from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

A free program will be presented by the Thunder Bay Marine Sanctuary at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. No registration required. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Anyone interested in amateur radio emergency and public service is invited to attend the Alcona County Amateur Radio Group meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the EMS building located at 2600 East M-72, west of Harrisville. For more information, contact Stan Darmofal at (989) 724-5550 or visit www.alconaradio.org.

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Alcona Review Weather Report

Seven Day Forecast



WEDNESDAY Snow Possible High: 28 Low: 8



THURSDAY Snow Possible High: 13 Low: -6



FRIDAY Partly Cloudy High: 12 Low: 4



SATURDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 13 Low: -5



SUNDAY Partly Cloudy High: 8 Low: -3



MONDAY Snow Possible High: 9 Low: -1



TUESDAY Partly Cloudy High: 18 Low: 2

Today's Regional Map Vanderbilt Harrisville 28/8 Kinde Harrison 28/7

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*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

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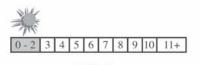
Thursday 7:36 a.m. Friday 7:35 a.m. 7:33 a.m. 7:32 a.m. 7:30 a.m.

Sunrise Sunset Moonrise 7:38 a.m. 5:56 p.m. 12:41 a.m. 5:58 p.m. 1:42 a.m. 5:59 p.m. 2:42 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 3:41 a.m. 4:37 a.m. 6:02 p.m. 2:29 p.m. 6:03 p.m. 5:28 a.m. 3:37 p.m. 6:15 a.m. 7:29 a.m. 6:05 p.m. 4:50 p.m.

Moonset 11:12 a.m. 11:51 a.m. 12:36 p.m. 1:28 p.m.

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National Weather Summary This Week



Local UV Index

UV Index 0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate. 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	6:29 a.m.	4:10 p.m.
Venus	8:47 a.m.	8:10 p.m.
Mars	8:55 a.m.	8:36 p.m.
Jupiter	5:13 p.m.	7:40 a.m.
Saturn	2:35 a.m.	12:02 p.m.
Uranus	9:37 a.m.	10:19 p.m.

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies and a few snow showers today, scattered snow Thursday, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Friday, with the highest temperature of 50° in Evansville, Ind. The Southeast will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 76° in North

Perry, Fla. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 62° in Brookings, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 86° in Burbank, Calif.

Weather History

Feb. 11, 1899 - Perhaps the greatest of all arctic outbreaks commenced on this date. The temperature plunged to 61 degrees below zero in Montana. At the same time, a "Great Eastern Blizzard" left a blanket of snow all the way from Georgia to New Hampshire.

Weather Trivia

Has it ever snowed on the equator

Answer: Yes. Snow often falls in the Andes.

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StarWatch By Gary Becker - Jupiter Ascending

💲 · Jupiter Ascending—the movie: Unknown to Earth's residents, life on this planet and countless other worlds has been seeded by families of alien royalty. For Earth it occurred about 100,000 years ago for the purpose of harvesting the evolved living creatures once they reach a "Darwinian state of perfection" to produce * a type of youth serum that allows the alien royalty to live forever. Yup, that's just part of the "totally intriguing" plot of the latest 175 million dollar, 127 minute, space blockbuster that began to grace our 3D cinematic landscape this past weekend. I'm completely confident about three things. Lots of people will die in this feature film, nobody will care, and FOX Broadcasting will absolutely love every moment of it! Now for the real Jupiter Ascending—it's really happening. The planet Jupiter is ascending in the early evening sky and will be one of the dominant sky objects to grace the heavens this winter and spring. By 8 p.m. Jupiter is due east about 1/3 the distance from the horizon to the zenith. Don't worry; there is no mistaking Jove which will be the brightest object in that area of the sky. Below and slightly to the left will be Regulus, positioned at the heart of Leo the Lion, easily seen, but about 40 times fainter than Jupiter. Jove stays visible in our sky through early summer, but before it disappears in the bright, muggy twilight, Jove meets up with another even brighter planet, Venus, which is also currently ascending in the western sky. On June 30 the two planets are separated by less than 1/3rd degree which will make for a truly spectacular pairing in the evening summer sky. Find Venus right now about 30 minutes after sundown, low in the WSW. You simply can't miss it. If the sky is dark enough, you'll notice another "star" above Venus. That's Mars which is descending, getting closer to the horizon each evening. Here, the difference in brightness between Venus and Mars is more than 100 times. Good viewing and stay warm! www.astronomy.org

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Many more grizzly missions followed, with many more casualties. On December 5, 1944 the FSSF was disbanded. Peterson explained that Canadian unit members returned to Canada, some American members were sent to the Airborne Division as replacements, but he and others formed the 474th Infantry Regiment, which served the third Army which performed occupation duty in Norway.

"I got sent to Norway, instead of going home even though I had more than enough points (to go home)," Peterson said.

In September 1945 Peterson finally came home. "We came back into the states on a freighter through New York Harbor. We were told the day before that we'd be passing by the Statue of Liberty at 7:30 in the morning the next day. I made sure I was up to see it... I was so happy to see the Statue of Liberty I cried... I had never cried in my life before, but I cried then... I knew I was home and I knew the (Japanese) end of it was done... I was supposed to go to Japan (next), but President Harry Truman took care of that with the bomb... I got discharged about 10 days later in Union Town, Pa.

And he came back home the same way he left - by train. "I came back to Harrisville and stayed in the Snake Pit (formerly the "Corner Bar" and now, Shotmaker's Bar and Grille) drinking beer by the tub full," Peterson said.

Peterson started his civilian career as a lineman for Consumers Power, but soon found a job working as a heavy equipment operator. "I had run heavy equipment in the Army, so I knew what I was doing," he said. "I worked in heavy equipment and made a very good living at it... of course, like with anything else, you get out of it what you put into it," he said.

Forty-one years later he retired and, hasn't looked back since.

Peterson was also one of the founding members of VFW Post No. 6466, which was chartered on April 7, 1946 with 67 members. He was an active member and served as commander for roughly 10 years, before moving to Florida in 2009, following the death of his second wife, Wanda.

While he misses friends and community in Harrisville, Peterson enjoys the warm weather in Florida. "I've been blessed. I've had a damn good retirement - health wise, it's good. I can get around pretty

good with this walker," he

Peterson has spent the last several days remembering events from 70 years ago, some of which was emotional, however, he only hesitated slightly when asked if he'd do it all again. "You look at things differently when you are 19years-old... I think I would. I was in it to win. All of us were."

(Editor's Note: Anyone interested in dropping Dave Peterson a line may do so by writing to him at: 4798 N. Dixie Hwy., Apt. No. B-6, Boca Raton, Fla. 33431.)

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History

The First Special Service Force was activated in July 1942 as a joint Canadian-U.S. force of three small regiments and a service battalion. Following its initial training period in Montana, the FSSF relocated to Camp Bradford, Vt., on April 15, 1943, and to Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., on May 23, 1943. On July 4, 1943, it arrived at the San Francisco Port of Embarkation, and on July 10 sailed for the Aleutian Is-

On August 15, 1943, the FSSF was part of the invasion force of the island of Kiska, but after the island was found evacuated, it reembarked and returned to Fort Ethan Allen, arriving September 9.

Italy 1943

In October of 1943, the commander of the U.S. Fifth Army, Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, brought the FSSF to Italy where its members demonstrated the value of their unique skills and training. The unit arrived in Casablanca in French Algeria and quickly moved to the Italian front arriving at Naples on November 19, 1943 and immediately going into the line with the U.S. 36th Infantry Division.

At Monte la Difensa, the FSSF was part of the Bernhardt Line Defenses on the Camino hill mass, between December 3 and December 6, 1943, they earned a reputation for being able to take impenetrable objectives when no one else could. Here, in the dead of winter, the FSSF wiped out a strategic enemy defensive position that sat high atop a mountain surrounded by steep cliffs.

Previously, American and British forces had suffered many casualties in futile attempts to take the important target. This incident was the basis for the 1968 motion picture titled "The Devil's Brigade."

The FSSF continued its attack, assaulting Monte la Remetanea from December 6 to December 9. It captured Monte Sambúcaro on December 25, and assaulted Monte Vischiataro on January 8, 1944. During the mountain campaign the FSSF suffered 77 percent casualties. **Anzio 1944**

The FSSF brigade was withdrawn from the mountains in January and on February 1 was landed at the beachhead created by Operation Shingle at Anzio, south of Rome, replacing the 1st and 3rd Ranger battalions which had been decimated at Cisterna. Their task was to hold and raid from the right-hand flank of the beachhead marked by the Mussolini Canal/Pontine Marshes. Shortly after the FSSF took over the Mussolini Canal sector, German units pulled back up to a half-mile to avoid their aggressive patrols.

It was at Anzio that the Germans dubbed the First Special Service Force the "Devil's Brigade." The diary of a dead German soldier contained a passage that said, "The black devils (Die schwarzen Teufel) are all around us every time we come into the line." The soldier was referring to them as "black" because the brigade's members smeared their faces with black boot polish for their covert operations in the dark of the night.

During Anzio, the FSSF fought for 99 days without relief. It was also at Anzio that the FSSF used their trademark stickers: during night patrols soldiers would carry stickers depicting the unit patch and a slogan written in German: "Das dicke Ende kommt noch," said to translate to "The Worst is yet to Come," placing these stickers on German corpses and fortifications.

Canadian and American members of the FSSF who lost their lives are buried near the beach in the Commonwealth Anzio War Cemetery and the American Cemetery in Nettuno, just east of Anzio.

When the fifth Army breakout offensive began on May 25, 1944, the FSSF was sent against Monte Arrestino, and attacked Rocca Massima on May 27. The FSSF was given the assignment of capturing seven bridges in the city to prevent their demolition by the withdrawing Wehrmacht.

During the night of June 4, members of the FSSF entered Rome. They are among the Allied units who claim to

be the first to enter Rome. After they secured the bridges, they quickly moved north in pursuit of the retreating Germans.

France 1944

On August 14, 1944, the FSSF landed at Îles d'Hyères during Operation Dragoon, the invasion of southern France. On August 22, it was attached to the 1st Airborne Task Force, a provisional seventh Army airborne division, and later made part of the task force. On September 7, it moved with the 1st Airborne Task Force to defensive positions on the Franco-Italian border. During the war the 1,800-man unit accounted for some 12,000 German casualties, captured some 7,000 prisoners, and sustained an attrition rate of over 600 percent.

Disbandment 1944

The FSSF, a unit that never failed to achieve its objective, was disbanded December 5, 1944 in a field near Vil-leneuve-Loubet, France. This is a special place in the history of the FSSF, not only because the unit was broken up there, but also because it is one of the villages that it had the hardest time capturing in southern France, on

Fraud

August 26, 1944.

After the unit's break up, the Canadians returned to other Canadian units (most of them became replacements for the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion), some American members were sent to the airborne divisions as replacements, and others formed the 474th Infantry Regiment, which served with the third Army and performed occupation duty in Norway.

Post World War II

In 1952, Col. Aaron Bank created another elite unit using the training, the strategies, and the lessons learned from the Devil's Brigade's

missions. This force evolved into specialized forces such as the Green Berets, Delta Force, and the Navy SEALs.

In Canada, today's elite and secretive JTF2 military unit is also modeled on the Devil's Brigade. Canadian JTF2 members and American Delta Force members were united once again into a special assignment force for the 2001 invasion of Afghanistan.

(Editor's Note: This information was obtained courtesy of First Special Service Force Association. More about the FSSF can be found at www.firstspecialserviceforce.net.)



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Suspicious Events

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Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of February 2 - 8, 2015

49 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 4 Arrests; 2 Warrants; 2 Driving While License Suspended.

Complaint Statistics Property Damage Accidents 3 Car/Deer Accidents Message/Well Being Check Miscellaneous Agency Assist Dog/Animal 4 1 Traffic 7 Trespassing 1 Alarm 1 Driving While Lic. Suspended2 Warrant Arrest Domestic 5 **Breaking & Entering** 2 Assault & Battery 1 Open Door 2 Larceny 1 Medicine Disposal 1 Fire 1 Neighbor Trouble Gunshots Heard 1

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	1	Caledonia 1		Curtis	4	
Greenbush	10	Gustin 1		Harrisville	4	
Hawes	7	Haynes 1		Mikado	4	
Millen	3	Mitchell 6				
Harrisville City	4	Village of Linco	oln 3			

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VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, Feb. 2 at 7 p.m. at the village hall The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those in attendance included: President Jordan, clerk Somers, and council members. Gauthier, Healy, Kohn, Phillips, Somers and Stutzman. Treasurer Kossa was absent. Also present were attorney Cook and quests. The Minutes of the January meeting were approved on a motion from Healy, with support from Phillips The treasurer's report was unavailable since Mary Kossa is not able to be here. Holly Hussain has expressed an interest in filling the position of deputy treasurer/clerk. A motion was made by Phillips, with support from Gauthier, to appoint Holly Hussain as deputy clerk. Carried, A motion was made by Healy. with support from Gauthier, to appoint Holly as deputy treasurer. Carried. Welcome Holly.

Laurie Ames of Catholic Human Services appeared asking for council's support to declare April as Social Host Awareness Month. They are trying to call attention to the problem of parties that allow alcohol to be served to minors. She also reminded people of the problem of drugs that are often left lying around. She stated that a red barrel is in place at the sheriff's department for disposal of old, unused drugs. A yellow jug is in place in many area pharmacies to take back controlled substances.

Troy Somers, zoning administrator, stated that he has turned all paperwork involving a home on Barlow Road over to our attorney. They are being asked to clean up their property regarding our blight ordinance. Our maintenance man asked about our liability regarding snow piles and people running into or through them. President Jordan stated that it has to be put into a pile and then removed elsewhere.

Mike Serafin, fire chief, was unable to attend the meeting as he is going through a class in Alpena. President Jordan gave the report provided by Mike. There were four fire runs and 13 medical runs. The street and sewer reports were given. The street report is the same as last month, things are doing fine. The sewer system is doing very well.

In old business, Somers asked about the status of cones on the sidewalk near Second and Main street. Jordan stated that someone ran over an electrical peadock and he wants to be sure no one hits it again. Phillips stated that the meeting with MDOT officials regarding the intersection of Barlow and Traverse Bay. Suggestions were received regarding a change in signage or lighting that could possibly help reduce the liability for the village. He hopes to meet with Consumers Energy officials and see what the cost would be for having a light put up at that corner.

He asked about the ORV signs being installed near the ball fields to curtail usage by snowmobiles. Somers expressed concern about salt being used on sidewalks. He said it can ruin them if it is used too heavily. President Jordan stated that they are being very cautious about the amount of usage.

In new business, Glenn Kohn met with Eileen Oposnow regarding the website for the village. He said that both he and Eileen agree that there is a lot of work to be done to get things up to speed. He will be the go-to person between the council and Eileen. He will be getting various things updated and will pass the information along.

President Jordan gave his report. He said the village street map is ready to be mailed back to the state. A thank you was read from Brenda Cordes and Gail Keenan for the replacement of a bench that was lost/stolen. The loader has been repaired and is being used a lot. A tree has been cut from the beach area that retained damage from a fire last summer. A traffic study is going to be done by MDOT to see about bus service throughout the village. A complaint about snow removal along village streets will be addressed tomorrow by president Jordan. He stated that our streets are our main priority. He wished everyone a very Happy Valentine's Day as well.

A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Gauthier with support from Phillips. Carried. A motion to adjourn was made by Gauthier with support from Stutzman. Carried.

Linda K. Somers Village Clerk

An injection against fear

By Katrina Wouters Columnist

"The moment we begin to fear the opinions of others and hesitate to tell the truth that is in us, and from motives of policy are silent when we should speak, the divine floods of light and life no longer flow into our souls."

~ Elizabeth Cady Stanton When I first saw Jenny McCarthy speak on national television about her experience with vaccines and autism, I panicked.

You see, my mom had polio as a child. She got it, as many 1950s "Baby Boomers" did, from her vaccination. As a four-year-old struggling with poliomyelitis she nearly died. Even after the worst had passed it caused a limp in her left leg for the rest of her life.

Although the condition abated it resulted in postpolio syndrome.

Many people who were born in the late 1970s, like me, or later have no idea how scary the threat of polio was to my mother's generation of children. Kids were dying and people were desperate for a cure. So desperate that they accepted a less than perfect vaccine.

Many people even think that polio has been eradicated by now and it has... mostly. There are still cases in Nigeria, Pakistan and Afghanistan. This means that it can be imported with a single traveler into a previously polio-free zone.

What does this have to do with autism, you might won-

Although I had heard Jenny McCarthy's story about her son, Evan, changing and showing signs of autism after his routine shots several years before I became a parent, the fear of a possible threat to my future offspring was something I never forgot. There are many changes in your life when you become a parent -- one of which is worrying about someone who cannot worry for themselves and making decisions in their best inter-

As a new mom, and one with my family history especially, I was willing to wonder about the what-ifs and howwould-I-deal-with-thats. How scary would it be if my child became autistic due to a vaccination I decided she should get? What would I do if I made the wrong choice? I turned to my mom. I asked her what she thought about the shots that my daughter was supposed to have at her first vaccination visit. What she said surprised me.

I'll admit it -- I was skeptical about trusting the government to regulate the contents of vaccines. They've made mistakes before and they could do it again. What happened to my mom was just one example. In 2007 the Center for Disease Control issued a statement that many early polio vaccines in the 1950s also contained SV40, a possible cancer causing agent that was not discovered until 1960. They admitted this could be a cause



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for concern with increasing cancer rates as SV40 has been found in certain forms of cancer in humans, for instance in lung, brain, and bone tumors.

In light of this information and my mom's health struggles I was beyond surprised to hear what my mother recommended.

She told me to get Phoenix vaccinated. I could not have been more shocked. "But, after what happened to you? You really think it is worth the risk?" I asked.

"Yes," she replied, sounding doubtless. She explained that her reasoning was two-fold: First, she had read that people who have a family history of poliomyelitis have a potential for carrying a gene that makes them more susceptible to the disease. She thought the polio vaccine would be even more beneficial for Phee than it had been when she chose it for me.

"But Mom, what if she changes after her shots? What if she develops autism by some fluke of the medicine?" I inquired.

Here she introduced her second reason, "Who better to deal with that than you, my dear," she retorted.

Fear corrupts. It warps our perceptions and whispers terrible probabilities in our ears as we think about the potential for harm. What if my choice hurts my child?

This is why when people are afraid, especially for their own children, they tend to lash out and say unkind things. I can understand that. As this goes to press the evening news included measles outbreaks and media coverage on funding for anti-vaccination propaganda that made me petrified, which brings me to one of the best angles I have seen in a never ending Mommy Wars on Facebook and other social media.

One mother's voice seemed o rise above the typical antivax and pro-vax debates. Between the put-downs and radically inaccurate "statements of facts" this mom posted a picture asking a question that truly touched me: "Which is worse? Autism or disease? Are we more afraid of a neurodevelopmental disorder than we are of reintroducing fatal diseases like polio to our children? There is nothing wrong with my autistic child. He is not neurotypical but he is loved."

I thought long and hard about that posting and my fears. As a person who is studying applied behavior analysis, the most widely used autism treatment, I said aloud, "why haven't I thought of that before?"

It suddenly occurred to me

that this isn't about who is right or wrong, or who can control what we put into our bodies, or even what kind of immune system one has to deal with. It is not about which belief systems dictate the best medical guidelines. It is so much bigger than that.

This is about how fear can cause us to be unkind to one another. Many moms are afraid that their choices will cause their children to become sick, disabled or even deceased. We, as parents, can become so terrified of making the wrong choice that we defend our way above all else.

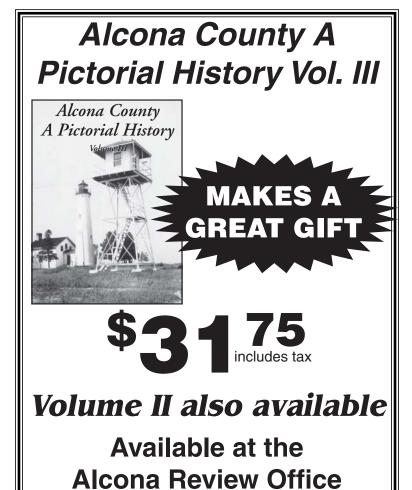
Unless science proves that vaccinations are 100 percent safe I'm not going to apologize for my skepticism. Nor am I going to apologize for vaccinating my child. I've learned that's really not the point.

I choose to be as wary of condemning someone else's choices and hurling insults at each other as I am of trusting vaccine requirements. I think this whole debate, and many debates that we find ourselves in, are necessary but they put us at danger of infecting each other with vitriol and hate. Being a victim of maliciousness can certainly be a fate worse than death.

I know of only one treatment for that and it is the same recommendation of the mother who posted about her child with autism: Love. Love our freedom to express our differing opinions. Love each other's opposing arguments. Love the ability to make the wrong choices, to change our minds and choose again.

We may not be certain beyond a shadow of a doubt how to keep our kids safe from illness or disability. We may not know that we always make the right choices. What we do know is that the antidote to fear is certainly love. That is a choice worth fighting for.

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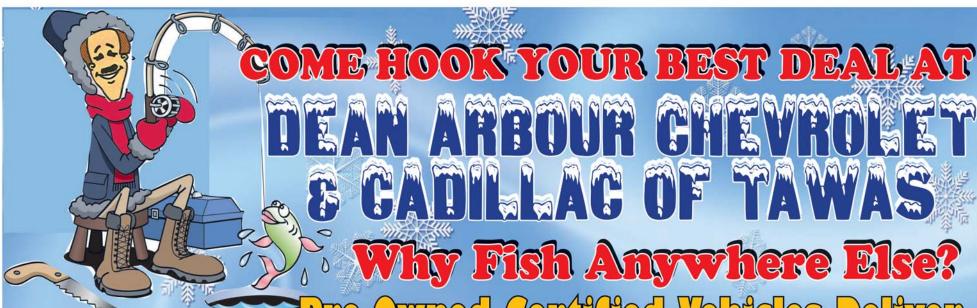
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