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## Fair board to adopt code of conduct as result of complaints

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

The Alcona County Fair Board will be looking closely at its bylaws and will soon be inputting a code of conduct/ethics policy. The step was the result of complaints heard at an Alcona County Board of Commissioner's meeting last week.

Concerned citizens packed the commission meeting room last Wednesday to voice their opinion on how the fair board has managed complaints against their members in the past and what can be done to curb abusive and vulgar language used toward youth attending the fair.

Ken Short of Harrisville said he lodged a written complaint last September and until two weeks ago, when he first addressed the Alcona County Board of Commissioners, his complaint had never been recorded in any fair board records.

The complaint was for two incidents of foul and abusive language used by two fair board members when addressing his granddaughter who was participating in showing animals at the fair.

Sheila Phillips, who is a fair board member and a county commissioner, said the fair board addressed the issue at the previous night's fair board meeting. The fair board adopted a two strike policy at the meeting but Phillips said the entire bylaws will be reviewed and a code of ethics will be implemented into it, something which has never been done before.

Phillips explained the rationale of the two strike policy. "We all make mistakes, good, bad, whatever, everybody makes mistakes, but if they do it again they are done and gone (off the board). By putting these things into our bylaws we hope it will not happen again. We don't want anyone to have a bad experience at the fair," Phillips said.

The fair board attended a Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) Conflict Smoothie class, a type of sensitivity training class, shortly after receiving Short's complaint in September. Phillips said they hoped the class would give fair board members a tool to help them should something arise where

they might lose their temper. Many citizens took time during public comment of the meeting to address the board of commissioners about the situation of abusive language saying it has been going on for years.

Candace Fulsher of Gustin Township said her children have participated at the fair for many years and have had to develop thick skins from what fair board members have said to them. She said her son was abusively screamed at because he used too much straw in his pen, which he simply didn't know he was doing and that he should have been approached differently about it.

Fulsher said she has heard a grandfather use extremely abusive language toward his very young grandson at the fair and when she approached a board member about the situation the fair board member told her it would be taken care of and then never was.

Jackie Fitzgerald of Harrisville said she believes the fair board should be doing criminal background checks on anyone working with youth no matter what organization they belong to. She also asked that when the code of ethics is adopted it should be made public and posted in the barns and in the fair book

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Alcona's Sydney Pierce (24) beats an Oscoda player to a loose ball. The Lady Tigers took home the 63-53 win over the Owls. Photo by Ben Murphy.

## Lady Tigers rise above Oscoda in league action

By Hope Smith  
Sportswriter

The Alcona girls varsity basketball team took on the Oscoda Owls on their home court on February 18 in the final North Star League Big Dipper game of the regular season.

Torie Harmon scored the first bucket seconds into the game after a down low pass from Sydney Pierce. However, the momentum of the game soon shifted as Oscoda clamped down on defense

causing the Lady Tigers to commit multiple turnovers and a few of the starters quickly found themselves in early foul trouble. Alcona fell behind 18-13 at the end of the first quarter.

Alcona slowly clawed their way back offensively narrowing the deficit to one possession. Alcona trailed by three at the sound of the halftime buzzer ending the period 31-28.

In the second half Alcona dug in on defense with cru-

cial steals coming from Taylor Livingston and Pierce. However, with tough defense came foul trouble and multiple Lady Tigers were in deep with two or more fouls by the end of the third quarter. The Owls faced the same dilemma with fouls but the big difference was Alcona had a deeper bench to draw from and was able to replace players in foul trouble.

The Lady Tigers pulled within one-point heading into the final period, but Oscoda still maintained the 39-38 advantage. The fourth quarter saw the Lady Tigers working together with great ball movement and precise timing in the paint by Brittany Decker. They outscored the Owls 25-14 to take home the 63-53 North Star League victory.

"Not one of our better games but at least we know where we're at," said head coach Brad Cole. "We have a lot of work to do to get ready for districts. We have to figure out why we have these slow starts."

Pierce had a great night for

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Ken Short of Harrisville (standing) appeals to the Alcona County Board of Commissioners in front of a room filled with concerned citizens to have the fair board reconsider their two strike policy on members using inappropriate language towards youth at the fair. Photo by Mary Weber.




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 A public meeting/hearing will be held for the Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant on Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Lincoln Village Hall located at 117 W. Fiske Street, Lincoln MI. The public is invited to attend this event. Any questions may be directed to Phillip Jordan at 989-736-7583.

**NOTICE**  
 Millen Township will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2016/17 fiscal year budget at the F.O.E. 4141 in the township meeting room on Monday, March 7, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be the subject of this hearing.** A copy of the proposed budget will be available after February 22, 2016 for public inspection at the clerk's office at 3021 Fowler Rd., Glennie. Please call Jan at (989) 735-2067 for further information. The regular township meeting will follow at 7 p.m.  
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Alcona with 15 points, seven rebounds, seven assists, six steals and timed four blocks. Keilee Elmer dialed up 13 points. Decker had a double-double night with 12 points and 13 rebounds. Kendra LaFave was in double digits with 10 points; Harmon netted five points and snatched up five steals.

Alcona's junior varsity team picked up the 33-27 victory over Oscoda. Leading Alcona on offense was Brianna Fogle with seven points, Hailee Gordy added six points and Faith Wallenmaier had five points. On February 15 the Lady Tigers celebrated Senior Night

by hosting Whittemore-Prescott. The Lady Tigers had a slow offensive start in the first period, but played solid defense to maintain a 14-11 lead going into the second quarter. Early into the second Alcona caught fire offensively and went on a 14-0 run to increase their lead to 28-16 by halftime.

The Lady Tigers held Whittemore to two buckets in the third period and stretched the score to 45-20 heading into the final period.

Alcona continued to dominate the floor at both ends and easily cruised past the Cardinals for the 59-24 victory in front of the home crowd.

"It was a great Senior Night here at Alcona. We were very consistent in our defense and controlled the tempo of the game. We finally put the ball in the basket after two sluggish games," Cole said.

Leading the offensive battle for Alcona was LaFave who netted 15 points. Harmon scored 11 points, made three assists and had three steals. Pierce delivered six points and picked up four steals. Decker scored six points and grabbed five rebounds. Jordan Joyce tallied five points. Claire Feldhiser, Maddie Lane and Jessica Grove each added four points.

The Lady Tigers will wrap up their final game of the regular season on Thursday, Feb. 25 when they play host to Standish Sterling. Class C Girls District basketball action gets under way on February 29 when Alcona travels to AuGres High School to take on the Oscoda Owls at 6 p.m. The winner of this game will play Wednesday, March 2 against AuGres-Sims.

**Obituaries**

**Susan C. Wilburn**

Susan Carol Wilburn, 65, died on Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2016 in Lewiston, Mich.

She was born March 23, 1950 to Forest and Raietta (Clark) Raymond in Pontiac, Mich.

Mrs. Wilburn worked as a social worker for the Family Independence Agency (now the Michigan Department of Human Services).

She married Andy Wilburn on September 28, 2002 at Lost Lake Woods Club.

Mrs. Wilburn is survived by her husband, Andy; her mother, Raietta Ott; one sister, Ann (Dave) Skender; one brother, Dick (Vicky) Raymond; one step daughter, Stephanie Morency; one step son, Josh Wilburn; three step granddaughters; and



numerous nieces and nephews.

A celebration of her life will be held later in May in Greenbush.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

**Mark R. Joslin**

Mark Ryan Joslin, 28, of Alice, Texas died on Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016.

He was born on January 6, 1988 in Pontiac, Mich. to Theodore and Beverly (Trumph) Joslin.

He graduated from Alcona High School in 2005. Following high school he served in the U.S. Army. He attained a lineman degree from Alpena Community College and subsequently went to work as a lineman in Texas.

He was very proud to serve as a lineman and thoroughly loved his work. He loved to fish and hunt.

Mr. Joslin is survived by one daughter, Elizabeth Navaeh Joslin of Texas; his mother, Beverly Trumph of Harrisville; his step-father, Ernest Fisher of AuGres, Mich.; one sister, Amanda (Chad) Ulman of Indiana; his significant other, Brenda Vasquez; two uncles, Tom Trumph and Steve Trumph, both of Harrisville and Skip (Heather) Trumph of Florida; one nephew, Hunter Ulman of Indiana and one niece, Brookelynn Ulman of Indiana.

He was preceded in death by his father, Theodore Joslin; one aunt, Victoria West; one uncle, Jimmy Trumph; and his grandparents, Elmer and Violet Trumph.

A private burial will be held in St. Raphaels' Cemetery in Mikado in early spring. Memorial contributions can be made to the family.

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**Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2015-2016**

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
Feb. 14	19	-3	0.00	7.1	36	NW
Feb. 15	24	17	0.02	9.7	38	SSW
Feb. 16	30	21	0.00	0.8	10	WNW
Feb. 17	28	7	0.00	2.5	20	NNE
Feb. 18	28	3	0.00	11.5	36	SSW
Feb. 19	46	28	0.00	11.4	35	SSW
Feb. 20	46	35	0.00	3.0	27	NW

Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.02	0.5	0.35
February to Date	0.73	6.5	0.95
Year/Season to Date	2.10	34.4	2.71

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 24

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.

The Alcona County Library board will meet at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch, 312 West Main Street.

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 (989) 335-3541.

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

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

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.

Exercise indoors, walk upstairs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Treadmill and exercise bike also available.

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.

The Thunder Bay Marine Sanctuary will present, "Sanctuary South: Archaeological Investigations in the New Southern Boundaries of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary off Alcona County" at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. This is a free program. Call, (989) 724-6384 for details.

The Greenbush Chamber of Commerce will host their monthly chicken dinner and

social event at 6 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5037 Campbell Road. Featured speaker is story teller mark Lee. Dinner and refreshments are \$9 and reservations are required. Call Sharon at (989) 724-5216.

A free class to all individuals, homeowners, renovators, and builders, electrical, mechanical and plumbing contractors who would like to learn more about the new residential ICC 2015 codes will be held at 7 p.m. downstairs in the county building. For more information, call (989) 724-9440. The class is sponsored by the Alcona County Building Department.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Tweak your chili recipes! There will be a chili cook-off at the Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road from 5 to 7 p.m. Bring your chili in a crockpot with a list of ingredients by 4 p.m. For more information, call (989) 736-3050.

A fish fry will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at Maria Hall behind St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Take-out available.

Enjoy popcorn and a movie at 12:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call, (989) 736-8879 for details.

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. Call, (989) 724-6796 for details.

Enjoy a newly released DVD and theater-style popcorn at the family movie matinee at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call, (989) 724-6796 for details.

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Local Alpena author, Timothy Gray will be on hand to discuss and sign his new book "The Isolated Variable" at 2 p.m. at Thunder Bay Winery, 109 North 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in Alpena.

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 (989) 335-3541.

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Moxie Strings, featuring, fiddler Diana Ladio, cellist Alison Lynn and drummer and world percussionist Fritz McGirr, will perform at 2 p.m. at the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library, 211 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue. For more information, call (989) 356-6188.

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Exercise indoors, walk upstairs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Treadmill and exercise bike also available.

Computers and Wi-Fi available for seniors from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 1

The Sunrise Side Carving Club will meet at 7 p.m. at the AuSable-Oscoda Senior Center, 653 State Street, Oscoda. Anyone interested in wood carving is invited to attend.

Sing a-long to the oldies with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call, (989) 736-8879 for details.

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## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

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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.

The Alcona County Baby Pantry will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Raphael Church, 2531 East F-30 in

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### 2016 BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. - Organizational Meeting  
No appeals will be taken at this meeting.

Wednesday, March 16, 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, March 18, 1:30 p.m. 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 2016 assessments.

**By Board Resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 15, 2016.**

The tentative ratios and estimated multipliers provided by the Alcona Equalization Department for each class of real property and personal property for 2016 are as follows:

	RATIOS	MULTIPLIERS
AGRICULTURAL	52.69	0.94895
COMMERCIAL	49.41	1.01194
INDUSTRIAL	N/A	N/A
RESIDENTIAL	50.20	0.99602
TIMBER CUTOVER	N/A	N/A
DEVELOPMENT	N/A	N/A
PERSONAL PROPERTY	50.00	1.00000

### American with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon 7 - days notice. Contact Jesus "Yogi" Yruegas or Rita D. Sands at (989) 736-7721.

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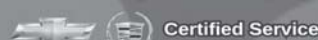
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# Local Notes



## Free Men's Health Clinic

A free health clinic for men, "Man Up for a Check Up," will be offered at the following Alcona Health Center clinic sites: March 1 in Ossineke, March 2 in Oscoda, March 8 in Lincoln and March 10 in Harrisville. Space is limited. To schedule an appointment, call (989) 471-2156 ext. 2240 during regular business hours. These free health clinics for men are made possible by a grant from Friends Together from MIU Men's Health Foundation.

• Tuesday, March 1—Hawaiian pork, brown rice, peas, and oranges.

• Wednesday, March 2—Swedish meatballs over noodles, corn, orange pineapple fluff, and pears.

• Thursday, March 3—Barbecued chicken, baked beans, cauliflower, and tossed salad.

• Friday, March 4—Pork tips and gravy, brown rice, Brussels sprouts, and applesauce.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

gan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Regardless of the dates stipulated, shanties must be removed as soon as the ice is unable to safely hold them.

• Ice shanties on Lake St. Clair must be removed by sunset Sunday, Feb. 21.

• For counties in the southern Lower Peninsula, shanties must be removed from the ice by midnight Tuesday, March 1.

• The deadline for removal from waters in the northern Lower Peninsula is midnight Tuesday, March 15. Counties included in this area are: Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Arenac, Bay, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Clare, Crawford, Emmet, Gladwin, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Isabella, Kalkaska, Lake, Leelanau, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Midland, Missaukee, Montmorency, Newaygo, Oceana, Ogemaw, Osceola, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon and Wexford.

• On Michigan-Wisconsin boundary waters, ice shanties must be removed by midnight Tuesday, March 15. For all counties in the Upper Peninsula, shanties must be removed by midnight Thursday, March 31.

Following the mandatory removal dates, ice shanties still may be used but must be removed daily from the ice.

Shanty owners whose structures fall through the ice are subject to penalties of up to 30 days in jail, fines of \$100 to \$500, or both. If a shanty is removed by a government agency, the court can require the owner to reimburse that agency for an amount of up to three times the cost of the removal.

For more information on Michigan's ice fishing regulations and shanty removal dates, check out the 2015 Michigan Fishing Guide.

## Away at School

• Phebie Longnecker of Ypsilanti, Mich., formerly of Harrisville, was named to the dean's list at Western Michigan University Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

• Kalie A. Zerst, of Glenne, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Grand Valley State University. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

• Kanyan J. Doan, of Ossineke, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Grand Valley State University. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

• Keegan R. Ingle, of Ossineke, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Grand Valley State University. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

• Keturah Ashford was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Central Michigan University. She is the daughter of Sara and Jeremy Glomski of Harrisville and Steve Poland of Oscoda.

## Teenagers Bring Music

The Thunder Bay Arts Council's 2015-16 Showcase Series presents the renowned Petoskey Steel Drum Band on Saturday, March 5 at 7:30 p.m. in Alpena High School's Beck Auditorium. This ensemble of nearly 40 musicians performs a wide variety of music on 30 drums valued at over \$150,000. They play melodic "lead pans," mid-range double seconds, tenor range cellos, and lower pitched "bass pans." In addition, an engine room of bass guitar, electric guitar, congas, a drum set and standard percussion instruments lend their voices to a wall of sound for audiences of all ages.

This event will be the band's first indoor concert setting in northeast Michigan. Advance tickets are recommended. Adult tickets are \$10. Children and students will be admitted free. Adult tickets may be obtained at Nieman's in advance through noon on March 4, or at the door on March 5.

## Ice Shanty Removal Dates

Mandatory ice shanty removal dates are approaching. According to the Michi-

## Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at various times during the week at senior centers in Glenne, Greenbush and Lincoln. Anyone planning to attend a meal is asked to reserve a place by calling (989) 736-8879 by 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

• Monday, February 29—Turkey and cheese sandwich, homemade split pea soup, tossed salad and tropical fruit.

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1. The existing roof shall be stripped and the material removed shall be removed from the site and disposed of at the bidder's cost.
2. Any defective roofing boards shall be replaced. The bid may specify that the same will be replaced at an additional charge for material, labor and dumping.
3. White drip edge, felt and GAF Weatherwatch ice guard will be installed underneath the new roof. Ice guard shall be 3 feet wide along the perimeter of the roofs edge and also on the front porch.
4. CertainTeed Landmark Pro shingles will be used including 75 feet of matching cap system.
5. Approximately 60 feet of Cobra vent ridge shall be applied to the peak of the roof.
6. One 3 inch boot for the stack shall be installed.
7. Bid to include the cost of any building permits and delivery charges associated with the same.
8. Weather permitting, said contract is to be completed no later than May 31, 2016.
9. The Village of Lincoln reserves the right to reject any and all bids for any reason. Sealed bids should be submitted to the Village of Lincoln Clerk at 117 W. Fiske Street, P.O. Box 337, Lincoln, MI 48742 no later than March 4, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. Bids will be opened at the regular meeting of the Village of Lincoln Council meeting on March 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Linda K. Somers  
Village of Lincoln Clerk

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# Bowling

<p><b>Majors</b> <i>February 6</i></p> <p>Pin Busters 212 148 Lucky 7's 187 173 Team 2 165.5 193.5 Ace 155.5 204.5 Boy's high game and series: Cory Hoffman, 187 and 519. Boy's high handicap game: Landen Stevens, 244. Boy's high handicap series: Brenden Hudgins, 654. Girl's high game and series: Emily Hanson, 119 and 299. Girl's high handicap game and series: Emily Hanson, 230 and 632.</p> <p><b>Minor</b> <i>February 6</i></p> <p>Boys 117 39 Girls 39 117 Boy's high game and series: Garrett Somers, 113 and 180. Boy's high handicap game and series: Triston Robinson, 239 and 450. Girl's high game and series: Aeran Monnier, 11 and 21. Girl's high handicap game and series: Aeran Monnier, 199 and 397.</p>	<p><b>Early Bloomers</b> <i>February 16</i></p> <p>Rosebuds 98 47 Tigerlily's 94 53 Mums 89.5 57.5 Marigolds 86 61 Bluebells 73 74 Buttercups 60 87 Daffodils 45.5 101.5 Violets 42 105 High game and series: Gina Broadwood, 183 and 498. High team game: Rosebuds, 312. High team series: Marigolds, 872.</p> <p><b>Huron</b> <i>February 16</i></p> <p>Gary Oil 128.5 60.5 Rob's Repair 109 80 Lincoln Prec. 104.5 84.5 Back Alley 97.5 91.5 Frankless 82 107 AuSable Trading Post 45.5 143.5 High game and series: Hurley Robinson, 257 and 712. High handicap game and series: Harley Robinson, 282 and 787.</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Nite Women's</b> <i>February 17</i></p> <p>JB's Auto 132.5 77.5 Alcona Abstract 123.5 86.5 Alcona Tool 114 96 Lincoln Prec. 107 103 Alcona Dredge 105.5 104.5 Back Alley Bar 97.5 112.5 Stoney Acres 83 127 Ark Plumbing 77 133 High game and series: Patty Cook, 207 and 549. High handicap game and series: Maria Niedzwiecki, 258 and 685.</p> <p><b>Sportsman</b> <i>February 20</i></p> <p>Cole's Appl. 111 51 Flour Power 99.5 62.5 We R Versatile 89 73 Phil's Barber 78.5 83.5 Home Town Fit. 76 86 Brownlee Lake 75 87 LLW Club 73 89 AuSable Inn 46 116 High game and series: Ray Medore, 258 and 742. High handicap game: Dave Glazar, 285. High handicap series: Ray Medore, 799.</p>
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## PUBLIC NOTICE MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW FOR GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP HALL  
5037 E. CAMPBELL RD., GREENBUSH, MI. 48738

**Monday, March 14**  
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
**Friday, March 18**  
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 8, 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.

	RATIOS	MULTIPLIERS
AGRICULTURAL	50.12	0.99761
COMMERCIAL	52.16	0.95859
INDUSTRIAL	49.53	1.00949
RESIDENTIAL	51.75	0.96618
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DEVELOPMENTAL	N/A	N/A
PERSONAL PROPERTY	50.00	1.00000

Edward Roddy  
Greenbush Township Supervisor

**American with Disabilities (ADA) Notice**

The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon 7 - days notice. Contact Edward Roddy, Supervisor (989) 739-2159.

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## District Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 81<sup>st</sup> District Court in January by the Honorable Allen C. Yenior and the Honorable Laura A. Frawley.

- Rickie Lynn Cheatum Jr., 33, of Harrisville was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and costs of \$575 for firearm – possession under influence.
- Wendy Sue Hendricks, 47, of Oscoda was sentenced to three days in jail, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$985 for no valid license in possession.
- Glen Douglas Yerkes, 33, of South Branch was sentenced to 100 days in jail fines and costs of \$535 and restitution of \$1,030 for abandon/cruelty to one animal.
- Tasha Ranee Shiner, 22, of Harrisville was sentenced to two days in jail, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$2,285 for operating while visibly impaired and no insurance under insurance code.
- Gabriel Michael Haeck, 39, of Alpena was sentenced to fines and costs of \$985 for operator's license suspended, revoked, denied.
- Robert George Gorney, 46, of Spruce was sentenced to 30 days in jail, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$2,370 for operator's license suspended, revoked, denied and operating while visibly impaired.
- Michael Joseph Tinskey, 21, of Howell, Mich. was sentenced to two days in jail, six months of probation and fines and cost of \$1,530 for operating while visibly impaired.
- Jonathan David Melanson, 21, of Pinckney, Mich. was sentenced to seven days in jail, one year of probation and fines and costs of \$2,800 for firearm-possession under influence and operate while visibly impaired.
- Kyle David Rasmussen, 20, of Hubbard Lake was sentenced to six months of probation, 48 hours of community service and fines and costs of \$835 for minor purchase/consume/possess alcohol.
- Terrin Elizabeth Clark, 22, of Tawas City was sentenced to six months of probation and fines and costs of \$1,015 for sell, furnish alcohol to minor.
- Bradford Joseph VanEffen Jr., 28, of Lincoln was sentenced to 47 days in jail, one year of probation, fines and costs of \$995 and restitution of \$956 for attempted interfering with electronic communication device.
- Nicholas Eugene Lewis, 32, of Harrisville was sentenced to fines and costs of \$410 for failure to report an accident.
- Willard Garfield Sever III, 35, of Glennie was sentenced to fines and costs of \$645 for wildlife conservation – general violation.
- Danielle Marie Sanders, 32, of Glennie was sentenced to fines and costs of \$725 for no insurance.
- Herbert Anthony Legrow, 58, of Greenbush was sentenced to five days in jail and fines and costs of \$435 for weapon-firearm purchase – pistol without a license.
- Calvin Lee Boyd, 53, of West Bloomfield, Mich. was sentenced to fines and costs of \$410 for failure to stop and identify property damage accident.

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 Tuesday, March 8, 2016

**TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF ALCONA COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN:**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2016 FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 8 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR THE REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC PARTIES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

**POLL LOCATIONS**

Alcona Township	Township Hall, 5576 N. US-23, Black River
Caledonia Township	Township Hall, 6461 Gillard Rd., Spruce
Curtis Township	Township Hall, 4932 F-30, Glennie
Greenbush Township	Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Rd., Greenbush
Gustin Township	Township Hall, 113 S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> St., Lincoln
Harrisville Township	Township Hall, 114 S. Poor Farm Rd., Harrisville
Hawes Township	VFW Hall, 2120 W. Trask Lake Rd., Barton City
Haynes Township	Township Hall, 3930 E. McNeil Rd., Lincoln
Mikado Township	Township Hall, 2291 S. F-41, Mikado
Millen Township	F.O.E Hall, 671 Sanborn Rd., Barton City
Mitchell Township	Township Hall, 6849 W. Tower Rd., Curran
Harrisville City	City Hall, 200 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, Harrisville

All polling locations are handicap accessible and voting instructions are available in alternative formats of audio and Braille.

Registered electors may apply for an absentee ballot with the city or township clerk where they are registered.

Patricia Truman  
 Alcona County Clerk

# Alcona Tigers top Whittemore, Oscoda

By Ben Murphy  
 Sportswriter

When Whittemore-Prescott and Alcona met on the court for a boys varsity basketball game earlier this season it resulted in a two point Cardinal road win. On Tuesday, Feb. 16 with the Tigers playing at Whittemore-Prescott (W-P), it was the Tigers that rolled to a victory, as they claimed a dominating 69-55 win in North Star League Big Dipper play.

"In a lot of ways, this was a very good game," head coach Toby Suttle said. "There is still room to grow, but I'm proud of them. This is a fun group to coach."

The Cardinals built an early lead with several buckets in the paint to take a 14-8 lead.

Tristan Gordy knocked down a three-pointer from the left corner to close that gap to 14-11. Isaac Dubuque added a short turn-around jumper to make it 14-13.

W-P added another bucket in the paint to pull back ahead 16-13, but Gordy sank another three late in the frame, this time from the right corner to make it 16-16 after one quarter.

In the opening moments of the second quarter, Nate Swinson stepped in front of a pass near mid-court for a steal, then sprinted the other way for a lay-up and an 18-16 Tiger lead.

After that, Jeffrey Schram grabbed an offensive rebound and sent it back in for a bucket and Swinson followed that with a three from the left side to put the score to 23-16.

Another three by Swinson made the score 26-18 and the Tigers made it 28-18 after Hunter Sullivan grabbed a steal and turned that into an easy bucket.

The Cardinals did manage



Devon Mills fends off heavy defensive pressure. Photo by Ben Murphy.

to close the gap to under 10 points at 31-22, but a three by Alec Link put it to 34-22, with the halftime score reading 34-24.

Alex Stephenson opened the third quarter with a short jumper to put Alcona up 36-24. Later, Stephenson added a drive through the lane for a bucket and drained a shot from behind the long line to bring it to 45-30.

W-P went on its best run of the night to close its gap to 49-42, but a drive by Jordan Steiner and a pair of fast-break hoops by Link put Alcona's lead back to double digits at 55-45 entering the fourth.

The Tigers made sure the W-P comeback would go no further in the fourth quarter, as it opened that frame with an and-one play by Swinson. A couple of free throws by Link and another trey from Swinson made it 63-48.

Alcona then made four-of-five shots from the free throw line to pad its lead to 67-48, before settling for the 69-55 final.

"It was a good team effort, I think we played really hard and we played as a team," Suttle said. "Everyone contributed. We have 12 guys on this team that are really all about the same."

Swinson led the way with 18 points; Link and Stephenson had nine points apiece; and Gordy netted eight points. Tim Hutchinson had seven points; Steiner scored six; Dubuque and Devon Mills had four points apiece; and Schram and Jack Hutchinson had two each.

On Friday, the Tigers hosted Oscoda in another NSL Big Dipper contest. Al-

cona narrowly beat the Owls earlier in the season, but had a much easier time this game with a 76-55 victory.

"I think the kids have just learned more about basketball," Suttle said. "We still have a way to go as far as peaking but we're close to doing it at the right time and it's the time of year that you want to do it."

The Tigers led 15-10 after the first quarter and 42-21 at the half. Alcona had a scoreless streak of over six minutes in the third quarter but still led 49-41 entering the fourth, before it pulled away again in the final frame.

Swinson led the way with 37 points for the Tigers, Jack Hutchinson had 10 and every player on the team had at least one point.

"Swinson had a great night, he had a ton of fun but it takes everybody else to get him the ball in the first place," Suttle said. "It was a great team effort, it could have been seven different guys to have a night like that but we were fortunate it was a senior on senior night. He had that great night because of all the hard work he has put in this season."

Alcona (10-7 overall) is at Standish-Sterling on Friday, Feb. 26 for a non-conference game. The Tigers also host Hillman on February 29 and travel to Posen on March 1 to wrap-up the regular season.

"We hope we're peaking, now is the right time for that to happen," Suttle said. "We play good teams coming up and we're excited to have the schedule play out the way it does. We have a lot of opportunities left to get better."



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## 2016 tax filing requirements for retirees

Dear Savvy Senior,  
What is the IRS income tax filing requirements going to be for this tax season? Due to health problems I stopped working early last year, so I'm wondering if I need to file.

Unintended Retiree

Dear Unintended,  
There are a number of factors that affect whether or not you need to file a federal income tax return this year including how much you earned last year (in 2015), and the source of that income, as well as your age and filing status.

Here's a rundown of this tax season's IRS filing requirements. For most people, this is pretty straightforward. If your 2015 gross income - which includes all taxable income, not counting your Social Security benefits, unless you are married and filing separately - was below the threshold for your age and filing status, you prob-

ably won't have to file.

But if it's over, you will.

- Single: \$10,300 (\$11,850 if you're 65 or older by January 1, 2016).

- Married filing jointly: \$20,600 (\$21,850 if you or your spouse is 65 or older; or \$23,100 if you're both over 65).

- Married filing separately: \$4,000 at any age.

- Head of household: \$13,250 (\$14,800 if age 65 or older).

- Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child: \$16,600 (\$17,850 if age 65 or older).

To get a detailed breakdown on federal filing requirements, along with information on taxable and nontaxable income, call the IRS at (800) 829-3676 and ask them to mail you a free copy of the "Tax Guide for Seniors" (publication 554), or see [irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p554.pdf](http://irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p554.pdf).

There are, however, some other financial situations that will require you to file a

tax return, even if your gross income falls below the IRS filing requirement. For example, if you had earnings from self-employment in 2015 of \$400 or more, or if you owe any special taxes to the IRS such as alternative minimum tax or IRA tax penalties, you'll probably need to file.

To figure this out, the IRS offers an interactive tax assistant tool on their website that asks a series of questions that will help you determine if you're required to file, or if you should file because you're due a refund.

You can access this tool at [irs.gov/filing](http://irs.gov/filing) - click on "Do you need to file a return?" Or, you can get assistance over the phone by calling the IRS helpline at (800) 829-1040. You can also get face-to-face help at a Taxpayer Assistance Center. See [irs.gov/localcon-tacts](http://irs.gov/localcon-tacts) or call (800) 829-1040 to locate a center near you.

Even if you're not required



Savvy Senior

to file a federal tax return this year, don't assume that you're also excused from filing state income taxes. The rules for your state might be very different. Check with your state tax agency before concluding that you're entirely in the clear. For links to state tax agencies see [tax-admin.org/state-tax-agencies](http://tax-admin.org/state-tax-agencies).

If you find that you do need to file a tax return this year, you can get help through the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (or TCE) program. Sponsored by the IRS, TEC provides free tax preparation and counseling to

middle and low-income taxpayers, age 60 and older. Call (800) 906-9887 or visit [irs-treasury.gov/free-taxprep](http://irs-treasury.gov/free-taxprep) to locate a service near you.

Also check with AARP, a participant in the TCE program that provides free tax preparation at more than 5,000 sites nationwide. To locate an AARP Tax-Aide site call (888) 227-7669 or visit [aarp.org/findtaxhelp](http://aarp.org/findtaxhelp). You don't have to be an AARP member to use this service.

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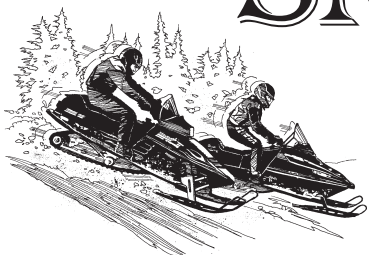
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Harrisville Township will hold a public hearing on the proposed Township Budget for 2016/2017 at 6:30 p.m., March 7 at the township hall. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

A copy of the proposed budget will be available after February 25 by calling (989) 724-6872.

Thomas Stone,  
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so everyone knows what the expectations are.

Fitzgerald reminded everyone that adults serving youth have a responsibility to be mandated reporters and when they see abused children they are required by law to report it. She said those reports have to be taken seriously.

Short was unhappy with the actions of the fair board's two strike policy and asked why a fair board member can make two violations toward a child before they are removed from the board. Short wanted to see a zero tolerance policy with fair board members removed immediately on their first offense.

Short contended the person who used abusive language toward his granddaughter looked into her eyes when they said what they did and it was no accident. "I'm not condemning the whole fair board. I'm upset with two people on the board. I'm upset with their language, I'm upset with their meltdowns and screaming and hollering incidents. This was not a mistake. Three meltdowns by a fair board member is not a mistake. I have some real heartburn over the two incidents on my granddaughter. Who knows how this will affect her later on? Maybe if a zero tolerance was in effect maybe the profane language and loss of temper and this kind of stuff ceased, maybe you would get more volunteers willing to join and help," Short said.

Other concerned citizens said the use of vulgar language is not only heard at the fair it is in our schools and community and used by adults and youth. Kay Travis said she has heard it yelled at referees at school sporting events.

Frank Dimercurio of Harrisville, executive director of the Chosen Ranch, a home for teenage boys, commended the Alcona County Board of Commissioners and the fair board for all that they do to bring a good fair experience to Alcona County. He said he had 25 to 30 youth coming

and going at the fair all week to his booth and they did not have one incident.

"There are some people in this room who are casting aspersions about people at the fair who are just as guilty of swearing in our community. I think it's hypocritical," Dimercurio said.

Dimercurio said he wanted to know where the kids have a responsibility. He felt sometimes youth have terrible attitudes, use fowl language and challenge authority right in their face. "The kids have rights but no one else has rights. If you are going to write policies and procedures for every adult in this thing where are the policy and procedures for the kids and the parents?" Dimercurio asked.

Kelly Hemstra, District Coordinator for Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) was in the packed room for her own agenda item of reminding commissioners that the MSUE would be up for millage renewal.

Hemstra said she had been listening to the voices of concern and wanted the room to know that all 4-H youth and leaders sign a code of ethics to be part of 4-H.

In addition all leaders and volunteers of MSUE 4-H undergo a background check. She said 4-H is about education. It is about giving youth the chance to make mistakes in a safe environment so if a young person does make a mistake it is turned into a learning moment.

MSUE has a curriculum on bullying and mentoring youth and she felt it could be tweaked to address issues at hand. Hemstra said she would encourage a mandatory meeting of 4-H youth, parents and leaders regarding the matter.

Members of the community pointed out that not all youth and leaders at the fair were part of 4-H and it was a county fair, not a 4-H fair.

County commissioners, Kevin Boyat and Craig Johnson said they understood the concern but felt that in real world circumstances a zero tolerance

policy wasn't realistic and wouldn't fit the multiple situations which could occur at the fair. Boyat said they sat down with the two fair board members and talked to them for quite a while and a letter of apology has been written.

"Zero tolerance in a perfect world is a great thought, but it's not reasonable or realistic. Even 4-H doesn't have a zero tolerance. There is a code of conduct and it says if someone violates it it may lead to dismissal as a volunteer from their program. It doesn't say it will. I'm going to ask the fair board to look at what Ingham County does. Their code says if someone has an accusation against them they agree to willingly present themselves before a review committee. At that point the committee will listen to both sides and decide on what is necessary, it could be probation, a letter of apology or all kinds of things up to dismissal," Johnson said.

Johnson's suggestion is to have an Alcona County Commissioner, a member of the fair board and a person at large from the community to sit on a review panel to handle fair complaints in the future.

According to Johnson foul language has been tolerated and the community at large has been winking at it for a long time. "I think it's a good thing this has been brought up. We are adults and professionals here. This is our fair and our school system. People coming here look at this group of people when they look at Alcona County. Do we want them, whether they are adults or children, to walk through our barns or our schools using language and talking in a way that is inappropriate or unprofessional? No, I don't think any of us do," Johnson said.

Phillips said the fair board would continue to work on the policy and she would report back. She would like the fair to be a good wholesome experience for the community.

Short remained steadfast in his plea for a zero tolerance policy and said he would be back.

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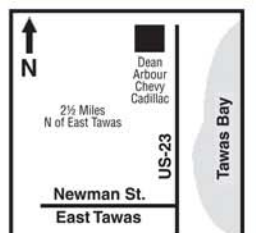


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# Helping and studying snowy owls

From Saginaw Bay to Sault Ste. Marie and Kalamazoo to Escanaba, people across Michigan this winter have been reporting an influx of snowy owls from their Arctic tundra home territory.

These beautiful white birds, with piercing yellow eyes and a nearly five-foot wingspan, are North America's largest owls, by weight.

The reason the owls unpredictably travel so far south – sometimes in massive movements known as "irruptions" – is not well understood by biologists, but the behavior is linked to food supply, the number of chicks the owls produce in a given year and weather.

Snowy owls often arrive in Michigan weakened and starving, dehydrated and infested with mites. Others die along their extended flight paths, which have taken them as far south this winter as Kansas and all along the northern tier states, the Great Lakes and out east to the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

When the owls move south, Michigan Department of Natural Resources offices typically receive several phone calls reporting snowy owl sightings or birds appearing sick or injured.

Many of those calls were received in the Upper Peninsula, as an early, sudden arrival of numerous snowy owls was reported in mid-October.

Snowy owls are protected by federal law and it is illegal to possess an owl, its feathers or body parts without proper permits. Researchers suggest contacting the DNR if an owl is found injured, sick or dead.

"When we receive a call regarding an injured bird, we will either have the caller drop the bird off at the DNR office or, if feasible, we will pick up the bird," said Erin Largent, a DNR research wildlife technician in Marquette, Mich. "We then take the injured bird to the Gwinn-Sawyer Veterinary Clinic."

The vet will assess damage to the owl and either euthanize the bird if the injuries are too severe or treat the owl and transport it to a rehabilitator.

On October 19, 2015 Jerry Maynard and Bob Jenson, co-founders of the Chocoy Raptor Center in Harvey, Mich. rescued a snowy owl from a municipal compost



Sherry MacKinnon, a wildlife ecologist with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources at Newberry, Mich., holds a snowy owl that was recovered from Mackinac County. Photos courtesy of Michigan DNR.

facility in Marquette, Mich. This owl was among those to arrive in the October influx.

"We got a call that it couldn't fly and did not look healthy," Maynard said. "Exam showed it to be seriously underweight and emaciated, and we could find no other injuries."

During the first 24 hours, snowy owls being rehabilitated are tube-fed a special formula with easily digestible proteins and sugars. As owls recover, they eat frozen mice, rats, chicks and quail.

If all goes well, the owls are released back into the wild, often within a few weeks.

Of six owls brought to the Chocoy center from the original October influx, only two survived and were released November 22, 2015 at a Marquette golf course. Maynard and Jenson use the releases as an opportunity to educate the public.

Meanwhile, sightings of owls continued throughout the state as 2015 came to a close, including a November 23 report of a snowy owl sitting on the arm of a lamp post on the Mackinac Bridge

On December 17, 2015 the DNR's Newberry office got a call about a snowy owl west of the town of Curtis in Mackinac County. "The caller moved it from the center of the road to the side of the road and called me at home, and other folks called the office, so we all heard about it pretty early," said Sherry MacKinnon, a DNR wildlife ecologist at the Newberry office.

This was a young owl, starving and unable to leave the roadway on its own. DNR staff fed the owl, dusted it for biting lice and brought it to the Chocoy Raptor Center.

Snowy owls hunt over open territory and will often sit on telephone poles, light standards, buildings or even small knolls or dirt berms.

Largent got a call about a dead snowy owl under a light post at a lake front hotel in Marquette, Mich. "I picked up the carcass, which was still warm, and put a necropsy tag on it with all the pertinent information and sent it down to the lab for necropsy," Largent said.

The DNR's Wildlife Disease Laboratory is located in Lansing, Mich. Personnel there are helping researchers with "Project SNOWstorm" determine the potential environmental effects of the owls' southward journeys. The lab began participating in the project in January 2015. Partners in the international project are studying snowy owls, alive and dead, to determine more about their behavior, potential effects from chemicals, causes of death and genetics.

Some live owls are being tracked with solar-powered GPS transmitters. Owls are nicknamed and their movements are plotted on maps on the project website. In



Erin Largent readies a snowy owl carcass to be sent to Lansing for a necropsy. The owl was found in Marquette, Mich. during an early influx of snowy owls to the Upper Peninsula in October.

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A GPS transmitter-harnessed snowy owl flies at the Waterloo State Recreation Area in late January 2015.

January and February 2015, four snowy owls in Michigan – captured in Detroit, Saginaw, Grand Rapids and Pickford – were fitted with tracking devices.

When a dead owl is sent to the DNR lab, personnel routinely perform a gross necropsy (animal autopsy) to determine or confirm the cause of death and, if warranted, perform a microscopic examination (histopathological) of fixed tissue sections to look for evidence of disease.

"We generally submit a piece of every organ (brain, heart, lungs, liver, spleen and kidneys) when we are requesting this (histopathological) testing," said DNR lab technician Julie Melotti. "Since this examination is at the cellular level, it allows the pathologist to see something that might not be evident on just a gross examination and can help determine if there is a disease process at work and can aid in our diagnosis."

Thomas Cooley, a DNR wildlife biologist and pathologist at the lab, said several tasks are performed on snowy

owls with the lab's participation in Project SNOWstorm.

"We are doing a series of measurements, taking a series of photos, taking tissues for histopathological examination, taking tissues for West Nile Virus, taking fat and muscle tissue samples, evaluating the physical condition of the animal by the gross appearance of the breast musculature and taking livers for metals analysis," Cooley said.

Melotti said feathers also are sampled from various parts of the owl's body and any feather lice on the carcass are collected.

"We also give a score (1-5) on the general condition of the carcass and on the physical condition of the bird," Melotti said. "All of these samples will then be shipped to the coordinators of Project SNOWstorm."

Since the concentrated snowy owl irruption in October, the DNR lab has received two dozen snowy owls for necropsy – 14 from the U.P. and 10 from the northern Lower Peninsula.

"The main cause of death has been starvation or mal-

nutrition and dehydration (17 owls), followed by vehicular traumas (four owls), one electrocution and one diagnosed with a herpesvirus causing hepatitis and splenitis," Melotti said.

Project SNOWstorm and some other snowy owl research efforts emerged over the past few years, beginning during a massive, perhaps once-in-a-century irruption in the winter of 2013-14, when snowy owls were recorded as far south as Florida and as far west as Hawaii.

A smaller, though still substantial, irruption followed the next winter. Even in non-irruptive years, some snowy owls generally wing their way to Michigan.

"While it might be the case

that a small proportion of the owls that disperse are underweight or malnourished, the researchers who study these irruptions actually report that the birds that come south during major irruptions are fatter and healthier than birds that wander during non-irruptive years," Maynard said.

Maynard encourages using caution before judging an owl to be too weak to fly or to be incapacitated in some way. "Please resist the urge to try to catch these birds or to approach them too closely," Maynard said. "It is far more likely that a quiet, unassuming snowy owl is just being a normal snowy owl."

Since the initial snowy owl arrival in October, birds have

continued to be reported across Michigan, but this winter so far does not appear to be a season of massive owl irruption.

Earlier this month, a snowy owl found emaciated near Deer Park in northern Luce County was brought to the DNR office in Newberry and then to the Chocolate rehab facility.

Maynard said the bird is recovering well after initially consuming the formula, has gained weight, was recently moved to an outdoor cage and is expected to be released in a public event sometime over the next several weeks.

As spring arrives, the snowy owls will make their way back north to the Arctic.

## Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of February 15-21, 2016

**52 complaints were handled with the following results: 2 Arrests; 1 Warrant; 1 Operating While Intoxicated.**

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Operate While Intoxicated	1	Warrant Arrest	1
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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.

Join your fellow comrades at the veteran's coffee hour from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 North Second Street in Harrisville. All veterans are welcome.

Computers available for seniors from 2:30 to 6 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road. Call, (989) 736-8879 for details.

Alcona retirees will meet for a potluck lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring a dish to pass. Everyone is welcome.

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.

"Free Range Crafts" will meet from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Bring in your crafts in progress, ideas and questions to share with others. Call, (989) 724-6796 for details.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 4**  
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. Call, (989) 724-6796 for details.

A fish fry will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at Maria Hall behind St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Take-out available.

Enjoy popcorn and a movie at 12:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call, (989) 736-8879 for details.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 5**  
The renowned Petoskey Steel Drum Band will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. at Alpena High School's Beck Auditorium. This 40 member ensemble will play a variety of music on 30 drums. Adult tickets are \$10, children and

students admitted free. This event is sponsored by the Thunder Bay Arts Council. For more information, call (989) 356-6678.

**MONDAY, MARCH 7**  
Senior commodities will be distributed from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call, (989) 736-8879 for details.

The planning committee for Mikado Days 2016 will meet at 7 p.m. at the Mikado Civic Center. Anyone interested in joining the committee, volunteering, or to provide entertainment or a service at the event is invited to

attend. The meetings are open to the public. For more information, call (989) 736-7721.

Computers and Wi-Fi available for seniors from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

Get Crafty for Adults will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. The project for March is Ukrainian Easter Egg decorating. There is a \$10 charge. To register, call (989) 724-6796.

## AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**  
Corner of US-23 & Medor Rd.  
Harrisville • 724-5160  
www.standrewschurhharrisville.org  
10 A.M. SUNDAY SERVICE

**Family Heritage Baptist Church**  
4260 M-72 Harrisville (2.5 miles west of the light)  
Pastor Ernest Ruemenapp (989) 724-6728 • www.church72.org.  
Sunday worship services 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.  
Sunday school 10 a.m. Wednesday 7 p.m.  
children's ministry. Wednesday 7 p.m. midweek service (preaching and prayer service).

**New Life Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
Sunday Worship & Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Hubbard Lake Rd.,  
New Life Lutheran Church 3/4 mile south of White Pine National Golf Course  
Alcona County ELCA  
Pastor Christina Bright Office 736-7816

**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)**  
Church Street at Traverse Bay Road  
Lincoln, Mich. 48742 ~ 736-1227  
Pastor Jacob Schwartz ~ Service, Sunday 9 a.m.

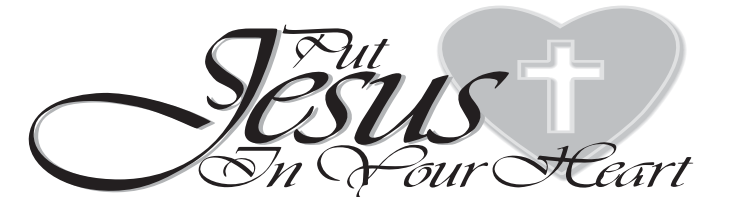
**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
6891 Nicholson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class at 11 a.m.  
Pastor Joseph Llewellyn • (989) 727-2496

**Our Savior Lutheran Church**  
3639 South M-65, Glennie, Michigan  
Sunday Morning 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
Everyone Welcome

**ALCONA COUNTY CATHOLIC CHURCHES**  
ST. RAPHAEL, Mikado, Saturday 4:30 p.m.  
ST. GABRIEL, Black River Saturday 6:30 p.m.  
ST. CATHERINE (Ossineke) Sunday 9 a.m.  
ST. ANNE, Harrisville Sunday 11 a.m.  
Pastor: Fr. Robert Bissot • (989) 724-6713

**Westminster Presbyterian Church U.S.A.**  
201 N. Second at Jefferson, Harrisville  
Induction Loop equipped for tele-coil hearing aids  
9:45 a.m. Adult Class • Worship & Sunday School ~ 11 a.m.  
Wednesday office hours noon - 5 p.m.  
Rev. Karen Thompson ~ 724-6734

**GREENBUSH COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
2430 S. State, Greenbush • 724-5264 • Pastor A. C. Caincross  
• Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
• Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.  
• Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.



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Sunday evening service 6 p.m. Pastor Elmer Ash.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.

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Pastor Tim Steiner, Pastor Emeritus Larry Richmond  
Sunday School: 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship Services: 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.  
Monday: 6:30 p.m. \*Teen Program (Grades 7-12)  
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Adult Prayer & Bible Study & \*Youth Programs (Grades K-6<sup>th</sup>)  
\*Fall-Spring programs • Website: www.cbcmikado.com

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Induction Loop equipped for tele-coil hearing aids  
6250 Gillard Road (P.O. Box 37), Spruce, MI 48762 • 471-5464  
Worship 9 a.m.  
Rev. Karen Thompson, Wednesday office hours 1 - 4 p.m.

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH OF GOD**  
158 N. Barlow Road., Harrisville • (989) 736-6350  
Pastor Edward Morrison • Full Gospel  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.  
Evening Service 6 p.m. • Family Bible Study 7 p.m. Wednesday

**GRACE EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN**  
Jerry Dodds, Pastor  
Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
739-3424 • graceonthebase@gmail.com  
www.grace-epc.org • www.epc.org  
6012 N. Skeel, Oscoda, Next to Parks Library

**COMMUNITY OF CHRIST**  
Church School 10 a.m. ~ Worship 11 a.m.  
3155 E. F-30, Mikado MI • Church 736-8727  
Pastor Char McGuire • 736-3486

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors The people of the United Methodist Church serving Alcona County

**With worship at these locations:**  
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Rev. Mary Soderholm (989) 724-3033 (h)  
**Come as you are - everyone is welcome!**



# Buggy Rides

From the files of the Alcona County Review



## Local and personal

**February 24, 1916** - Geo. Ferguson Sr. is reported quite ill from grip and other ailments.

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Mr. and Mrs. John A. Stewart of East Tawas were guests over Sunday of his mother.

—x—

Miss Lulu Yearn of St. Clair is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Ferguson.

—x—

Mrs. Allen McDonald, for-

merly Miss Doris Richway, returned Saturday to her home in Windsor, Ont., after visiting at the home of John Jobin in Haynes.

—x—

J. L. Waters was called to Greenville, Mich., Sunday evening, by a message announcing the serious illness of his aged father, who suffered a stroke of paralysis.

—x—

Alexander Ferguson expects soon to move his stock

of groceries into the Mitchell drug store building. The place is being fitted out for him and will be ready for occupancy in a week or ten days.

—x—

The Seniors will hold a box social in the School Auditorium March 3rd. A 10 cent program will be given in connection. Coffee served free with the boxes.

—x—

Judge Burt has received a letter from the widow of Mr.

Supleann Burbonnias at Lincoln, Wash., thanking him for his efforts in obtaining for her \$178 from the Aetna Life Insurance Co.

Mr. Burbonnias carried a policy with the company and allowed it to lapse many years ago, and the widow had forgotten the circumstance until she was located through the efforts of Judge Burt and the company paid her the money.

—x—

Henry Stinchcombe left this morning for Flint.

—x—

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pyle returned home last evening.

## Shoulder broken

Fred Freer caught by rolling log and badly injured.

**February 24, 1916** - While working in the lumber woods of Mitchell township Saturday, Fred Freer was caught by a rolling log and severely injured. His collar bone is broken in two places and the left side of his neck and head are injured.

Fred was riding into camp on a load of logs when one of the logs rolled off the load and carried him with it.

He came across country Monday and is now being cared for at his home north of town.

### 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

#### HPC Credit Union

Saturday, March 12 • Knights of Columbus Hall – Alpena

### DINNER DANCE

Cocktails at 6 p.m., Dinner at 7 p.m. • \$12.50 per ticket

Music provided by: Multi-Music Mgt./Dharma Music

## Alcona Review Weather Report

Feb. 24, 2016

### Seven Day Forecast

**WEDNESDAY**  
Snow Possible  
High: 36 Low: 28

**THURSDAY**  
Snow Likely  
High: 30 Low: 16

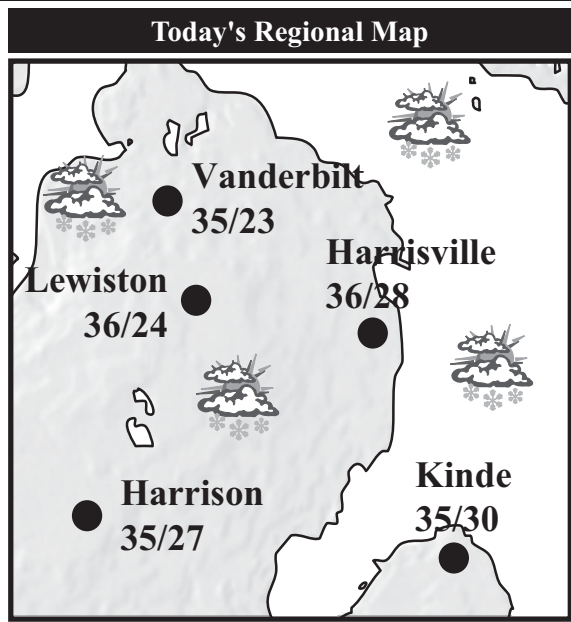
**FRIDAY**  
Mostly Cloudy  
High: 25 Low: 15

**SATURDAY**  
Mostly Cloudy  
High: 29 Low: 7

**SUNDAY**  
Mostly Cloudy  
High: 19 Low: 8

**MONDAY**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 25 Low: 11

**TUESDAY**  
Snow Possible  
High: 27 Low: 15



### In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 40% chance of snow, high temperature of 36°, humidity of 65%. Northeast wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 56° set in 1976. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an 80% chance of snow, overnight low of 28°. North wind 20 to 30 mph. The record low for tonight is -19° set in 1963.

*Last Week's Almanac				
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	24	4	28/9	0.04"
Tuesday	30	21	28/10	0.01"
Wednesday	28	-3	28/10	0.00"
Thursday	31	-11	29/10	0.00"
Friday	48	26	29/10	0.09"
Saturday	45	38	29/10	0.00"
Sunday	37	23	29/11	0.00"

\*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

### Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
Last 3/1	Wednesday	7:18 a.m.	6:14 p.m.	8:21 p.m.	8:09 a.m.	First 3/15
	Thursday	7:16 a.m.	6:15 p.m.	9:20 p.m.	8:37 a.m.	
	Friday	7:14 a.m.	6:17 p.m.	10:17 p.m.	9:04 a.m.	
	Saturday	7:13 a.m.	6:18 p.m.	11:15 p.m.	9:33 a.m.	
New 3/8	Sunday	7:11 a.m.	6:19 p.m.	No Rise	10:03 a.m.	Full 3/23
	Tuesday	7:08 a.m.	6:22 p.m.	1:09 a.m.	11:14 a.m.	
	Wednesday	7:06 a.m.	6:23 p.m.	2:05 a.m.	11:57 a.m.	

### Local UV Index

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

### National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see scattered rain and snow today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 65° in Georgetown, Del. The Southeast will see scattered thunderstorms today, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 87° in North Perry, Fla. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 72° in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 87° in Phoenix, Ariz.

### Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	6:39 a.m.	4:18 p.m.
Venus	6:18 a.m.	n/a
Mars	1:05 a.m.	10:42 a.m.
Jupiter	7:17 p.m.	8:07 a.m.
Saturn	2:43 a.m.	11:50 a.m.
Uranus	8:56 a.m.	9:52 p.m.

### Weather History

**Feb. 24, 1936** - Vermont and New Hampshire received brown snow due to dust from storms in the Great Plains Region. A muddy rain fell across parts of northern New York State.

### Weather Trivia

What is the record for the most consecutive days below zero in the U.S.?

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for over 16 days.  
Answer: In January 1969, Havre, Mont. sank below zero

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

### StarWatch By Gary Becker - The Day and the Year

When we contemplate the length of the day, we incorrectly consider that it is the same length as the rotation of the Earth. The amount of time it takes the Earth to spin once about its axis is 23 hours, 56 minutes. That is the amount of time it takes a fixed object, such as a star, to return to the same place in the sky. Astronomers take this period and divide it into a 24-hour interval called the sidereal day. During a sidereal day, the Earth's revolution around the sun shifts its orbital position by approximately one degree, causing the sun to move by that amount towards the east. Because we want the sun to return to a fixed position (south) each day, we need to add four minutes to the sidereal day to bring the (mean) sun back to its same location. This gives us our 24 hour time interval that we see on our clocks and which we call the day. Thus, even though a day is based on the Earth's rotation, the two are not the same. Enter revolution which is the orbiting of Earth around the sun. Our yearly calendars do not reflect the true orbital period of our planet which is 365.2564 days. Instead our calendrical years are based upon the sun crossing a slowly westward moving point in the sky called the vernal equinox. It is at the intersection of the projection of Earth's equator into space (celestial equator) and the path of the sun in the sky due to Earth's revolution (the ecliptic). The vernal equinox, where the sun crosses the celestial equator from below to above, marks the start of the tropical year, 365.2422 days in length. This point moves westward in a 26,000 year cycle called the precession (wobble) of the equinoxes, created by the sun's gravity trying to upright Earth's tilted axis. By focusing on two successive crossings of the vernal equinox instead of Earth's orbit, we keep our calendar in seasonal step with all fixed dates at the expense of a slowly changing seasonal sky. In 13,000 years, the winter star patterns, like Orion, will be gracing our summer sky, and summer stars will be seen in the winter. I can't wait! [www.astronomy.org](http://www.astronomy.org)

## Would contract potatoes at 30¢

Representative of big produce company may build warehouse here

**February 24, 1916** - A representative of a concern which deals extensively in contract potatoes and buys other farm products, was here recently to look over the ground with reference to building a warehouse and interesting the farmers in the company's plan. If enough encouragement is given the gentleman thought his company would locate.

The company markets its produce principally in the southern states.

Thirty cents per bushel is the price the company pays under contract, and it is altogether likely, so the gentleman stated, that they will eventually buy any farm or orchard products for which there is any market.

It was stormy when the gentleman was here and he could not get into the country to talk with the farmers before he had to leave for other parts.

He expected to return, however, in a few weeks, when the matter will be taken up with the farmers direct.

The seed is furnished by the company, to be returned bushel for bushel regardless of price and is said to be of an extra fine variety brought from the New England states. They have only one car left to contract this year, and if they decide to locate, contracts or this amount will insure their building a warehouse here.



# Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **MUSIC:** What was the name of the record company founded by the Beatles?
2. **ASTRONOMY:** Which planet in our solar system spins the fastest?
3. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** Which insect can indicate the temperature with accuracy?
4. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the fastest known bird in the world?
5. **CHEMISTRY:** What is the only metal that's liquid at room temperature?
6. **MOVIES:** What was Baby's real name in "Dirty Dancing"?
7. **GEOGRAPHY:** What country is bordered by the Atlantic and Indian Oceans?
8. **PSYCHOLOGY:** What is the fear represented in the condition "herpetophobia"?
9. **MEDICAL:** What is the common name for hypoglycemia?
10. **TELEVISION:** Where does Homer Simpson work?

**Answers:** 1. Apple Records; 2. Jupiter, which rotates once in just less than 10 hours.; 3. Crickets; 4. Peregrin falcon; 5. Mercury; 6. Frances; 7. South Africa; 8. Fear of reptiles or creepy, crawly things; 9. Low blood sugar; 10. Springfield Nuclear Power Plant (c) 2016 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Moments In Time

The History Channel

- On March 11, 1861, delegates from South Carolina, Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas adopt the Permanent Constitution of the Confederate States of America. It provided for six-year terms for the president, who was ineligible for successive terms.
- On March 10, 1876, the first discernible speech is transmitted over a telephone system when inventor Alexander Graham Bell summons his assistant in another room by saying, "Mr. Watson, come here; I want you." Bell had received a telephone patent three days before, filing just hours before another inventor, Elisha Gray.
- On March 12, 1888, agreeing to cooperate with a policy adopted by Congress, China approves a treaty forbidding Chinese laborers to enter the United States for 20 years. The Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 barred immigrants based on race and nationality for the first time.
- On March 7, 1923, The New Republic publishes Robert Frost's poem "Stopping By Woods on a Snowy Evening." The poem, beginning with the famous line "Whose woods these are, I think I know," has introduced millions of American students to poetry.
- On March 13, 1942, the Quartermaster Corps of the United States Army begins training dogs for the new War Dog Program, or K-9 Corps. Tens of thousands of dogs had served during World War I, the most famous being Rin Tin Tin.
- On March 8, 1951, the Lonely Hearts Killers, Martha Beck and Raymond Martinez Fernandez, are executed in the electric chair in New York. The couple had schemed to seduce, rob and murder women who placed personal ads in newspapers.
- On March 9, 1981, a nuclear accident at a Japanese power plant dumps 16 tons of radioactive waste into Wakasa Bay. Despite the risk to people eating contaminated fish, the public was not told of the spill for more than a month. Fish in the area displayed mutations for several years afterward. (c) 2016 King Features Synd., Inc.

## REMAKING "THE LONGEST DAY"

# Super Crossword

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| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Escape key's position</p> <p>8 Schoolroom with easels, maybe</p> <p>14 Not very new</p> <p>20 Spur on</p> <p>21 Big name in luxury watches</p> <p>22 Darius' land</p> <p>23 Biceps with more sweat?</p> <p>25 Rang, as bells</p> <p>26 Hosp. triage sites</p> <p>27 El Cid, e.g.</p> <p>28 Puerto —</p> <p>30 Troll's home</p> <p>31 Zest</p> <p>32 Running specialists' outfits?</p> <p>38 Actress Kerr</p> <p>42 Whoopi's "The Color Purple" role</p> <p>43 Fruit coverer</p> <p>44 Shut down skiing peaks again?</p> <p>47 Flinches or blinks, say</p> <p>51 Check beneficiary</p> <p>52 In order (to)</p> <p>54 "I figured it out!"</p> | <p>55 With 78-Down, Coke Zero, e.g.</p> <p>56 Lipstick flaw</p> <p>60 Breaks loose</p> <p>64 Vanquish</p> <p>67 Put cicadas under water?</p> <p>70 Sleep like —</p> <p>72 Assume as fact</p> <p>73 "... to market, to buy — pig"</p> <p>74 Most inferior shoe</p> <p>79 Fasteners threaded at two ends</p> <p>83 Zippy chip dip</p> <p>84 Railroad station</p> <p>86 Afghan-istan's Tora —</p> <p>87 Application</p> <p>88 — Minor (Little Dipper locale)</p> <p>91 Altercations</p> <p>94 Hound type</p> <p>98 Never-forgotten four-letter words?</p> <p>102 Like sharp cheese</p> <p>104 After, in Amiens</p> <p>105 Filamentous</p> | <p>106 What a store manager likes to see on faces?</p> <p>111 FedEx or DHL rival</p> <p>112 "No" voter</p> <p>113 Roo's friend</p> <p>114 Norwegian hub</p> <p>116 Bee product</p> <p>119 Sea robber</p> <p>121 June event "remade" six times in this puzzle</p> <p>127 GPS suggestions</p> <p>128 Hard money</p> <p>129 Less trustful</p> <p>130 Aim</p> <p>131 Atoll part</p> <p>132 Sam-I-am's creator</p> | <p>9 Toys — (kids' haven)</p> <p>10 "Creep" trio</p> <p>11 IM snicker</p> <p>12 Not at all fond of</p> <p>13 Fundamental</p> <p>14 Enemy</p> <p>15 "Life of Pi" director Ang</p> <p>16 Biting Count</p> <p>17 Hajji's faith</p> <p>18 Food strainer</p> <p>19 Pluto's realm</p> <p>24 Pop idol?</p> <p>29 Perp catcher</p> <p>31 Groups of athletes on horseback</p> <p>33 Hosp. area with IVs</p> <p>34 Sci-fi writer Stanislaw —</p> <p>35 Tree for a bark beetle</p> <p>36 "How the Other Half Lives" author Jacob</p> <p>37 With 41-Down, tittering laughs</p> <p>38 "Judge —" (1995 Stallone film)</p> <p>39 "— Meenie" (2010 hit)</p> <p>40 A-G linkup</p> <p>41 See 37-Down</p> <p>45 Long hauler</p> <p>46 Stuffing stuff</p> <p>48 Raven cries</p> <p>49 "I heard —!"</p> <p>50 Expresses</p> <p>53 Ward of "CSI: NY"</p> <p>57 Pre- (replace)</p> <p>58 "— 'n' Andy"</p> <p>59 Put new turf on</p> <p>61 Miso soup ingredient</p> <p>62 Labor pain?</p> <p>63 Motor coaches</p> <p>65 — mater</p> <p>66 Labor</p> <p>68 Really peeve</p> <p>69 Scale interval</p> <p>71 Central figure of Christianity, in Florence</p> <p>74 Bait fish</p> <p>75 Santa —, California</p> <p>76 Some Pac-12 athletes</p> <p>77 Indian wrap</p> <p>78 See 55-Across</p> <p>80 Plenty o'</p> <p>81 Cornered, as a raccoon</p> <p>82 Smart-alecky</p> <p>85 Pinball no-no</p> <p>89 Bad wrecks</p> <p>90 Clock radio toggle</p> <p>92 Pulitzer-winning composer Gunther —</p> <p>93 Reasons</p> <p>95 Surfeit</p> <p>96 Psyche part</p> <p>97 Big storm</p> <p>99 "... — quit!"</p> <p>100 Clergyman's field: Abbr.</p> <p>101 Mao — -tung</p> <p>103 "In excelsis —"</p> <p>106 Old Ford</p> <p>107 Grant's side</p> <p>108 Swagger</p> <p>109 TV actress Portia de —</p> <p>110 Salt's "Help!"</p> <p>115 Sotheby's cry</p> <p>116 2012 Nintendo console</p> <p>117 Deck quartet</p> <p>118 Children of boomers</p> <p>120 "Taps" hour</p> <p>122 Blanc of many voices</p> <p>123 Onetime big record label</p> <p>124 One, in Berlin</p> <p>125 M&amp;M color</p> <p>126 Three, in Bari</p> |
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## Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was Founding Father Thomas Paine who made the following sage observation: "He who would make his own liberty secure must guard even his enemy from oppression; for if he violates this duty he establishes a precedent that will reach to himself."
- Most people prefer to kiss with their eyes closed; however, of those who do prefer to keep their eyes open, the vast majority are men.
- It's well-known that a certain segment of native Londoners speak in a dialect known as Cockney, which makes frequent use of rhyming slang -- some classic examples are "dog and bone" for "phone" and "apples and pears" for "stairs." A more recent addition to the vocabulary is "Donald Trump," which, for at least the past 15 years, has been used as an equivalent for going to the bathroom.
- If you watch TV or movies at all, you've probably seen some variation of the Humane Society disclaimer "No animals were harmed in the making of this program." You may not have considered that it's also applicable to insects, but those who make the programs certainly do. In fact, if you see a bug being destroyed in a contemporary movie, it's a safe bet that the bug was dead before the scene was shot. There are even people who stuff dead bugs with a sort of cream to fill it out -- and to ensure a satisfying squish for the camera.
- You may be surprised to learn that many people never even feel it when they're bitten by a venomous snake. (They certainly experience the aftereffects, though.)

Thought for the Day: "In the case of good books, the point is not how many of them you can get through, but rather how many can get through to you." -- Mortimer J. Adler  
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Clue: **S** equals **I**

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the state of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, March 9, 2016, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan.

Said premises are situated in the township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are de-

scribed as: Lots 22 and 23 of the First Addition to Willert's Pine Grove, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 116, Alcona County records; c/k/a 4212 Willert, Glenzie, Mich. 48737.

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### MITCHELL TWP. MINUTES

The Mitchell Township Board met on February 8. Members present: Supervisor Gregory Murnock, clerk Donita Charron, treasurer Kevin Small, trustee Carla Brimm and trustee Aaron Welch. Others present: None. The board accepted the December 14, 2015 regular meeting minutes; accepted December 2015 and January financial reports as amended; accepted December 2015 and January zoning reports; and voted to appoint Ray Brimm to planning commission.

Roll call vote to increase General Fund Streets and Bridges Budget to \$4,500. Roll call vote

to increase Fire Department Equipment new budget to \$14,000. Roll call vote to pay Alcona County Treasurer \$4,244.66 for the annual tax processing. Roll call vote to pay accounting fee of \$550.

An Election Commission meeting was held February 8 after regular board meeting.

There will be a budget meeting on February 29 at 6 p.m. for fiscal year 2016-2017.

The next meeting is March 14 at 7 p.m. For the full board minutes or for more information, contact clerk Donita Charron at (989) 884-1354.

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## BOARD OF REVIEW

### Public Notice Township of Curtis 2016 March Board of Review Meeting

Curtis Township Hall  
4932 F-30  
Glennie, Michigan

Tuesday, March 15, 2016; 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Wednesday, March 16, 2016; 6 to 9 p.m.

Thursday, March 17, 2016; 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.  
An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 1 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be reviewed at the organizational meeting. Non-residents may protest to Board of Review by letter mailed to 4808 Webster Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737. Letters must be received by March 16, 2016.

Appearing below are the tentative equalization ratios and estimated multipliers as provided by the Alcona County Equalization Department.

	Ratio	Multiplier
Agricultural	51.80	0.96525
Commercial	48.68	1.02817
Industrial	49.99	1.00016
Residential	49.57	1.00867
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

The inflation rate multiplier for use in the 2016 capped value formula and the 2016 Headlee Millage reduction fraction formula is .3 percent increase or 1.003.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) notice the township will provide necessary and reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the board of review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact Tammy Fall, assessor (989) 735-2122.

2-10 thru 2-24

### Public Notice Township of Caledonia 2016 March Board of Review Meeting

Caledonia Township Hall  
Gillard Road  
Spruce, Michigan

Monday, March 14, 2016; 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 15, 2016; 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 6 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be reviewed at the organizational meeting. Non-residents may protest to Board of Review by letter mailed to 4808 Webster Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737. Letters must be received by March 14, 2016.

Appearing below are the tentative equalization ratios and estimated multipliers as provided by the Alcona County Equalization Department.

	Ratio	Multiplier
Agricultural	55.14	0.90678
Commercial	52.40	0.95420
Industrial	49.38	1.01263
Residential	50.90	0.98232
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

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### 2016 Board of Review Notice

**Gustin Township**  
113 S. Second St.  
Lincoln, Mich. 48742

The Gustin Township Board of Review for 2016 will be held at the Gustin Township Hall, 113 S. Second St., on the following dates: March 15, 2016 – 1:30-7:30 p.m.; March 17, 2016 – 1:30-7:30 p.m. An organizational meeting will be held March 8, 2016 at 6 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. The Board of Review may meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests, and to equalize the 2016 assessments. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided the letter is received on or before March 14, 2016. The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2016 are as follows:

Residential	49.80	1.00000
Agriculture	52.38	1.00000
Commercial	49.99	1.00000
Industrial	50.05	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

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2-17 & 2-24

### 2016 Board of Review Notice Harrisville Township

114 S. Poor Farm Road  
Harrisville, Mich. 48740

The Harrisville Township Board of Review for 2016 will be held at the Harrisville Township Hall, 114 South Poor Farm Road on the following dates:

March 15, 2016, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.; March 17, 2016, 3-9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 8, 2016 at 8 a.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 15, 2016.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property are as follows:

Agricultural	50.00	1.00000
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	49.41	1.00000
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 day notice. Contact Supervisor Tom Stone at (989) 724-6872.

2-17 thru 3-2

### 2016 Public Notice March Board of Review Haynes Township

Tuesday, March 8, 2016; 6 p.m. Organizational meeting at the Old Stone Community Church, 4505 East Shaw Road. For examination of the assessment roll, public protests will not be heard at this time. The location change is for this meeting only, due to a scheduling conflict with election scheduled at the township hall the same day.

Public protests will be heard at the Haynes Township Hall, 3930 East McNeil Road, Lincoln, Mich. 48742, Monday, March 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday, March 15 from 5 to 9 p.m. Protests may be filed in writing and must be received by March 14, 2016. The board may meet additional days as needed to conclude all business.

Appearing below are the recommended tentative equalization ratios and estimated multipliers as provided by Alcona Equalization Department.

	Ratios	Multipliers
Agricultural	49.35	1.01317
Commercial	47.45	1.05374
Industrial	N/A	N/A
Residential	52.39	.95438
Timber cutover	N/A	N/A
Developmental	N/A	N/A
Personal property	50.00	1.00000

Becky Schroeder, Haynes Township Assessor, 1871 Lakeshore Drive, Harrisville, Mich. 47840.

American with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The township will provide necessary and reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact the assessor at (989) 724-5676.

2-17 thru 3-2

### 2016 Board of Review Notice City of Harrisville

City Clerk's office, 200 Fifth Street  
Harrisville, Mich. 48740

The City of Harrisville Board of Review for 2016 will be held at the city clerk's office, 200 Fifth Street on the following dates: March 15, 2016, 3-9 p.m., March 17, 2016, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 8, 2016 at 10:15 a.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 15, 2016.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2016 are as follows:

Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	49.80	1.00000
Personal property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The city will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven day notice. Contact Barbara Pierce at city clerk's office, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. daily at (989) 724-6666.

2-17 thru 3-2

### 2016 Board of Review Notice Hawes Township

VFW Post 8135, 2120 Trask Lake Road  
Barton City, Mich. 48705

The Hawes Township Board of Review for 2016 will be held at the VFW Post, 2120 Trask Lake Road on the following dates: March 14, 2016, 3-9 p.m.; March 18, 2016, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 8, 2016 at 7 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 14, 2016.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2016 are as follows:

Agricultural	49.89	1.00000
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	49.78	1.00000
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 day notice. Contact Supervisor Rodney Cordes at (989) 736-8460.

2-17 thru 3-2

### 2016 Board of Review Notice Millen Township

Barton City FOE 4141, 671 N. Sanborn Road  
Barton City, Mich. 48705

The Millen Township Board of Review for 2016 will be held at the Barton City FOE, 671 N. Sanborn Road on the following dates: March 15, 2016, 3-9 p.m.; March 19, 2016, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 8, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 15, 2016.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2016 are as follows:

Agricultural	49.92	1.00000
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000
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 day notice. Contact Supervisor James Burger at (989) 736-3401.

2-17 thru 3-2

### 2016 Board of Review Notice Mitchell Township

6849 W. Tower Road, Curran, Mich. 48728

The Mitchell Township Board of Review for 2016 will be held at the Mitchell Township Hall, 6849 Tower Road on the following dates: March 14, 2016, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m.; March 16, 2016, 2-5 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 8, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 14, 2016.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2016 are as follows:

Agricultural	50.00	1.00000
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000
Personal property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

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2-17 thru 3-2

### 2016 Board of Review Notice Alcona Township

5576 N. US-23  
Black River, Mich. 48721

The Alcona Township Board of Review for 2016 will be held at the Alcona Township Hall, 5576 N. US-23, Black River, on the following dates: March 14, 2016 – 1-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.; March 15, 2016 – 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 5 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 14, 2016.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2016 are as follows:

Residential	48.93	1.00000
Agriculture	51.43	1.00000
Commercial	48.01	1.00000
Industrial	51.04	1.00000

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**GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP MINUTES**

Greenbush Township supervisor Roddy called the meeting to order on Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 7:09 p.m. at the township hall. Two guests were present and joined in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call was taken. Present: Supervisor Roddy, clerk D. Dailey, treasurer P. Dailey, trustee Sally Olin and trustee Gary Abraham. Motion P. Dailey/Abraham: To approve the agenda as submitted. All ayes, motion carried. Motion Olin/P. Dailey: To approve the minutes as submitted. All ayes, motion carried. No public comments.

Financial report: Treasurer P. Dailey - \$86,537.96 general fund; \$198,102.64 road fund; \$84,631.18 fire fund; \$32,355.31 Prince Drive; \$481.55 Kowalski memorial fund. Motion D. Dailey/Abraham: To approve the financial report and place on file for audit. All ayes, motion carried. Presentation of bills - clerk D. Dailey: Payroll check numbers, 16364-16377 for \$3,785.65; bills check numbers 16355-16389, plus E9 for \$25,786.82. Motion Olin/P. Dailey: To approve the bills as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Miscellaneous reports - OWAA (Roddy): The couple that was looking into moving a company here has decided not to, nothing new. Constable Beatty, absent. Carolyn Brummund county commissioner: Commissioners have moved back to the bottom floor of the county building, many moves have been made. Selling Saturday, Feb. 20 at Harbortown Marketplace. Boiler problems in the courthouse are being addressed. Leak in road commission building is being addressed. Thursday, Feb. 25 in conference room in the courthouse (bottom floor) is a free class for builders, electrical, mechanical and plumbing for new items put on by Harry Harvey. County is looking at faulty drainage tubes at the north end of Cedar Lake. Out of 11 northern counties Alcona County has the highest amount of veterans. There are a few minor changes of the Alcona County board and committee members and lists were distributed. Fire chief Franks: Zero fire calls; seven first responder; \$150 donation for a veteran; \$100 from the Jokers; AARP chose our fire department for an article highlighting our older members. Zoning administrator Major: Zero permits and complaints. Hall rental, none. Assessor Schwickert absent. GRAC: Olin -- two rentals for the summer.

Planning commission: Swanson -- Discussion on the civil infractions and have decided to invite attorney Cook and Rick Duvall to attend the March meeting. Cedar Lake Improvement board, no meeting lately. Ordinance enforcement: Supervisor Roddy will contact Mr. Sutton for an interview.

Correspondence: Supervisor Roddy -- District health department lake sample letter received and everything is satisfactory and will be back next year to check again. Clerk D. Dailey -- Letter from NEMCOG for the regional directory to recheck names and addresses for board members. Miscellaneous, none. Pending business: Update on the IRS situation. Projector presentation given to show some of the problems that have been worked on in the past four years. Update on civil infractions done under miscellaneous reports. No new business or public comments.

Motion Abraham/D. Dailey: To adjourn at 8:05 p.m.. All ayes, motion carried.

David W. Dailey  
Greenbush Township Clerk  
Note: Published prior to board approval. Next regular scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 9 at the Greenbush Township Hall.

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