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# Local partnership provides speciality training for military

#### **By Cheryl Peterson** *Editor*

It isn't often that a local business can provide help to the war effort in Iraq and Afghanistan, but one local business can and does – by providing training that isn't given to service men and women during their course of duties. Specialty Vehicle Operation Consultants, LLC, (SPECVOC) developed and operated by Warren MacNeill of Harrisville and Peter Malette of Tawas, is gearing up for another training session at the Air National Guard base, a Combat Readiness Training Center (CRTC) in Alpena. The duo work as partners, Malette as director of operations and MacNeill as director of training, to teach the operation of all terrain vehicles (ATVs), snowmobiles and watercraft for "the working professionals" in the fields of military operations, public safety and business and industry.

Malette explained anyone who purchases an ATV or snowmobile receives basic instruction regarding the operation of the machine before they leave the dealership. Military personnel receive roughly the same basic instruction and are then expected to use those machines in the course of their work.

MacNeill explained that for several years ATVs have been used primarily in police work, however, military divisions are using ATVs more and more in combat situations because they are more mobile and cheaper than larger vehicles and troops can move more quickly over challeng-ing terrain. "They are using them more and more in Iraq, MacNeill said. "For years ATVs have been treated as toys, but they are actually a great weapons platform," he said.

"We train about a dozen people on average at a time," MacNeill said. "We are training the trainers. After completing this training, they go back to their units and train their unit members. We now have about several hundred people that our people have trained."

MacNeill explained the Air National Guard personnel that attend the training session are usually higher ranked personnel – many who have already seen combat in Iraq and Afghanistan and could be deployed again — "What we teach them here," MacNeill said, "ends up being used in Iraq (and Afghanistan)."

And they stay in contact with MacNeill and Malette to get questions answered, get further information and to update them with situations they've experienced in the course of their work – many times in combat situations. "(The training) is continually evolving...We have people coming back that tell us what they are dealing with and training for and we adjust for that," MacNeill said.

SPECVOC was officially formed in July 2008 by MacNeill and Malette - both with extensive training through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE). MacNeill has been with the DNRE for 20 years and is a conservation officer based out of Alcona County. He has been the lead motor vehicle drive instructor since 1996; and also conducts ATV and snowmobile training sessions for DNRE employees.

Malette spent 23 years with the DNRE and retired in 2007

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Special to the Review

Thunder Bay Transportation (TBT) has everything it needs to provide public transportation to Alcona County except one thing – riders. Accordingly, the non-profit tricounty transportation service based in Alpena is suspending the bus service for the month of August.

"We've kind of put it temporarily on hold," said Billi Edmonds, TBT manager. "It wasn't that we had low ridership. It was that we had none. We're trying to organize a series of town hall meetings throughout Alcona County to ask people's input on the routes. So far," Edmonds said, "volunteers in Glennie and Hubbard Lake have agreed to organize meetings.

The fixed transportation routes grew from collaboration between TBT and the Alcona County Human Services Collaborative Council, made up of local human service agencies. First year funding, which will end in September, came from a Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) New Freedom grant of about \$60,000 in matching funds from TBT.

The grant provided incounty services every Monday and Wednesday, offering group bus stops in Glennie, Barton City, Mikado, Greenbush, Chippewa Point, Spruce, Hubbard Lake and Harrisville along with "wave down" service to individuals standing along the route. In announcing the service, Edmond said it was available to any individual in the county "who had a need to get somewhere."

Fares for the program are \$4 for adults and \$2 for children or individuals 65 and older with a disability. Each bus is equipped with lifts for wheelchairs and other adaptive equipment.Service animals are the only animals allowed on the buses.

"The only riders we've had in the past four or five months were those that Michigan Works! (employment program) required to use the vehicles," Edmonds said. The service costs about \$6,000 a month, making it less than cost effective at this level of ridership.

"We need to look at why they don't get on the bus," Edmonds said. "I think a lot of people want the bus to come to their door. That's really going to be costly. But we're going to definitely try one more time to go back to the drawing board. We will discontinue the service for the month of August. Then we need input from Alcona County in order to try it again.

"Sitting in Alpena," she said, "I can't tell what the problems might be, or what people in Alcona County might want."

One thing is certain. For the program to continue, Edmonds needs volunteers to help set up the town hall meetings in each township and individuals interested in utilizing the transportation service. The MDOT grant expires on September, 30, Edmonds said. Although TBT hasn't received a confirmation of continuing funding for the coming fiscal year, authorizations are just starting to arrive, she said. "We should have one more year, but that's the most the board has said that it would do (at the present time)." We have to talk to people and have them tell us what isn't working," Edmonds said. Individuals interested in helping with town hall meetings in their community or with comments on the bus service may contact Edmonds toll-free at (866) 356-2487.

# Black River native receives award for military work in Afghanistan

#### By Kathryn Fritz Kniep

Special to the Review Black River native Kathy Oliver received a great deal more than a medal for her time in Afghanistan. Oliver, a major in the New York Army National Guard, was recently chosen as one of the first recipients of a special medal part of a NATO Combined Task Force deployed to Afghanistan in 2008.

The French Commendation Medal was presented to about 20 U.S. military members at the French Embassy to the United States in Washington D.C. on July 18, the 70th anniversary of General resist the German occupation during World War II. French Ambassador Pierre Vimont referenced the parallels between that speech and the work the task force had conducted to encourage and support the Afghanistan people.

Oliver is the daughter of Don and Sally Oliver of Black River. A 1982 graduate of Alcona High School, she attended Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant, Mich. graduating in 1986 with a bachelor's of science degree in biology and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Army. Oliver spent most of her 12 years of active duty in Europe, working as a public affairs officer in Kaiserslaughter and Frankfort, Germany and serving with the first wave entering Bosnia. Following that deployment she left the Army. In 1997, she joined the National Guard in New York. At present, she is making plans to retire from that position. The mother of a 12-

Warren MacNeill (left) discusses training techniques with a student. *Photo by Cheryl Peterson.* 

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awarded by the Government Charles DeGaulle's call to the of France for her efforts as French people to continue to



Kathy Oliver enjoyed the giving spirit of Afghanistan residents when she was deployed there several years ago. *Courtesy photo.* 

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# Memorial

## Helen M. Weinberg

There will be a graveside service for Helen M. Weinberg on Saturday, August 14, 2010 at 11 a.m. at the Mikado Cemetery. Mrs. Weinberg died on July 16, 2010.

Do you have news we can use? Call the Review 724-6384

## Pre-Orders for the Alcona County Pictorial History Book Volume III have been postponed.

Sorry for the inconvenience. If you sent in a pre-order and haven't been contacted by our staff, please call us to let us know if we should refund your payment. Volume III will be published in 2011, it's just been delayed for the

2010 Christmas season. We can be reached toll free at (877) 873-8439. We are still accepting photos for the book!

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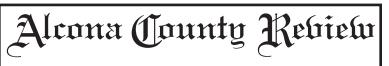
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#### To the Editor,

On behalf of my family and many others in the Village of Lincoln I would like to say "thank you" to Joe James for his generosity.

We spent Saturday evening watching a wonderful boat parade on Brownlee Lake and were treated to a spectacular fireworks display courtesy of Joe. Many people had already left the area thinking everything was over so they missed out.

It seems that too often we notice things that go wrong, it's nice to be able to find something positive that was done and just say a big "thanks" to the person that made it possible.

Thanks again Joe, your efforts were definitely noticed. Linda Somers Lincoln

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3. Blueberries

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## William E. Struthers

William E. Struthers, 83, of Lincoln, died on Sunday, Aug. 8, 2010 at Lincoln Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Community.

He was born June 7, 1927 to Earl and Mary (Walker) Struthers in Lams, Mich. He spent most of his life in the Port Huron, Mich. area.

He was a truck driver for a lumber company. In 1990 he moved to Lincoln.

Mr. Struthers is survived by two sons, Stuart Struthers and Harlan (Missy) Struthers both of Port Huron, Mich.; seven grandchildren; several brothers and sisters; and longtime companion, Marlene Castleman of Lincoln.

Visitation will take place at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln, on Saturday, Aug. 14, from 4 to 8 p.m. There will be a memorial service at the Family Heritage Baptist Church in Harrisville at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Struthers family.

## Donald J. Paul Jr.

Donald J. Paul Jr., 40, of Greenbush, died on Monday, Aug. 9, 2010 at his home.

He was born April 30, 1970 to Donald Sr. and Charlotte (Schellenberg) Paul in Oscoda. He was a lifelong resident of the area.

He was a skilled auto mechanic who could fix anything. He loved do-it-yourself projects and enjoyed volunteering.

Mr. Paul is survived by one daughter, Kayleigh (Michael Boden) Paul of Greenbush; four sisters, Nancy (Larry) Martin of Harrisville, Betsy Paul of New Jersey, Victoria (Dennis) Ostland of Tennessee and Shari (Roger) Lee of Lincoln; many nieces and nephews; good friend, Veronica Eberhardt; and special friend, Giles Desotell of Greenbush.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be on Friday, Aug. 13, from 1 p.m. until the Memorial Service at 3 p.m. at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorial donations may be made to the Paul family.

## Woodrow H. Dingess Jr.

Woodrow H. Dingess Jr., 66, of Harrisville, died Tuesday, August 3, 2010 at his home.

He was born January 8, 1944 to Woodrow and Ida (Winters) Dingess Sr., in West Virginia; he lived there until the age of 11.

A longtime resident of the Flint, Mich. area, Mr. Dingess was employed for over 30 years at the Flint Community Schools. He retired in 2001 and moved to Harrisville.

He was an avid U of M football fan and maintained a video collection of every winning game.

Mr. Dingess is survived by his wife, Annette (Curran) Dingess; one daughter, Bobbi Jo (Joe) Lucas of Fenton, Mich.; one son, James (Jennifer) Dingess of Alpena; three grandchildren, Emmalyn



Dingess and Logan and Mitchell Lucas; two sisters, Leona Perry and Patti Daunt; one brother, David Dingess; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date in the Flint, Mich. area. Cremation arrangements were handled by Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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# 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" or "raffle ticket sales" information is also not eligible.)

#### WEDNESDAY, **AUGUST 11**

Master gardeners will be available to answer gardening and horticulture questions from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the MSUE office on US-23 in Harrisville or over the phone by calling (989) 724-6478.

A beginning word processing class will be offered at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 9:15 to 10 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

**Thunder Bay Arts Council** presents the Alpena Symphony Orchestra performing a free concert at 6:30 p.m. at the Bay View Park band shell in Alpena. Rain location will be the Alpena High School auditorium.

The Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce general monthly meeting will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 6 p.m. featuring a guest speaker.

VitalCare Hospice of the Sunrise Shore will have a grief support group meeting from 6 to 7 p.m. at 109 N. Second Ave., Suite 201 in Alpena. This is an educational, confidential, non-denominational, free of charge, peer-support group where you will learn about the grief process and healthy coping skills. Everyone welcome.

#### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 12**

A free yoga class will be offered for everyone, instructed by Jean Prevo, at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 7 p.m. No registration required. Bring a mat and wear comfortable clothing. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Club begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Everyone is welcome, walk at your own pace.

Tops No. MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-4483.

The Alpena City Band will perform a concert at the Bay View Park band shell in Alpena at 7:30 p.m. free to the public.

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

The program "Michigan History in Song" will be presented at 7 p.m. for all ages at Lumberman's Monument. Folk singer/storyteller Bill Jamerson will depict life in a lumber camp. The monument is located in Iosco County at the junction of Monument and River roads. For more information, call the visitor center at (989) 362-8961.

A story and craft project will be offered to children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10:15 to 11 a.m.

Jim Johnson presents the documentary "Lake Invaders: The Fight for Lake Huron" at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. A question and answer session will follow.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 14** It's Historical Day at the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. with historic displays including a Civil War encampment, storytelling, music, strawberry shortcake and more. The lighthouse tower will be open.

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

A forest discovery hike will be held at Lumberman's Monument at 11:30 a.m. Walks start at the visitor center and last about an hour.

\$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under or \$24 for a family (four or more, 12 and under).

The Alcona County Sheriff's Office will conduct a boater's safety course from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall on E. Campbell Road. To register, call the sheriff's office at (989) 724-6271. Must be at least 12 years old to participate. Lunch will be provided.

My Brother's Hope will be open from 10 a.m. to noon. Volunteers are needed on August 13 at 1 p.m. to set up as well as today. Lunch will be served. Gently used, clean clothing can be dropped off at the Harrisville or Lincoln branches of the Alcona County Library anytime.

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 15**

A forest discovery hike will be held at Lumberman's Monument at 11:30 a.m. Walks start at the visitor center and last about an hour. Come prepared to hike through the forest. The monument is located in Iosco County at the junction of Monument and River roads.

Souls Harbor will perform at the Spruce Presbyterian Church beginning at 3 p.m. featuring southern gospel music. All are welcome.

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#### **BOATER'S SAFETY**

The Alcona County Sheriff's Office will be conducting a Boater's Safety Course on Saturday, August 14, 2010 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will be held at the Greenbush Twp. Hall which is located at 5037 E. Campbell Rd., Greenbush, MI. To register, please call the Sheriff's Office at (989) 724-6271, Monday thru Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. You must be at least 12 years old. Lunch will be provided. 8-4 & 8-11



# Register Now for Fall Semester!

Plan on higher education close to home at Alpena Community College's Huron Shores Campus in Oscoda. Save money on degree programs and classes that transfer to 4-year universities.



Join Anne Bloss from MSU Extension for hands on gardening and creating a nutritious snack from the garden from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Mikado branch of the Alcona County Library. Call (989) 736-8389 for more information.

A family movie matinee will be at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. featuring a newly released DVD and theater style popcorn. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

The American History Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 6:30 to 8 p.m. For more information, call (989) 727-2641.

The Community Walking

Come prepared to hike through the forest. The monument is located in Iosco County at the junction of Monument and River roads.

Midsummer Magic, presented by Friends of Sprinkler Lake Education Center, will begin with appetizers at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. and games, prizes, silent auction and entertainment by David Green and The George Schwedler Trio to follow. For more information, call (989) 471-2178 or (989) 724-6165.

The Hubbard Lake Sportsman and Improvement Association is sponsoring the annual pig roast at Hubbard Lake Lions Park from 5 to 7:30 p.m. A bake sale, silent auction and used equipment sale all begin at 3 p.m. Cost is

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#### **AYSO Soccer Registration**

AYSO Region 584 will be holding late registration online for the fall season in Lincoln until August 22. Anyone who is interested can fill out the registration online only at: www.eayso.com. Fill out forms electronically making sure to include players' jersey size, print and sign two copies and mail it to: AYSO P.O. Box 7, Lincoln, MI 48742. Include a check or money order for \$45 for each player payable to AYSO Region 584. For any questions, contact Les Thomas at thoma322@msu.edu or by phone at (989) 736-7231.

#### Away at School

Jason A. Ostrander of Oscoda graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Grand Valley State University on May 1 at the conclusion of the winter 2010 semester.

#### **New Arrival**

Sawyer and Sophie Pezel are the new son and daughter of Mark and Tami Pezel of Wiesbaden, Germany. The twins were born on Friday, May 28, 2010. They join sister Reigen, 4. Their grandparents are Richard and Gavle Simmons of Mikado and Donald and Barbara Pezel of Wurzburg, Germany.

#### Weekly SUDOKU \_

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### **Class Reunion**

Alcona High School Class of 1965 will hold a reunion on September 18 at Lost Lake Woods Club. Organizers are still trying to locate the following classmates: Tony Luke, Scott Skuse/Benton, Juanita Daggett/White, Diane Fowler, Milton Warren and Harley Loose. Anyone with information about these individuals or who needs more information about the reunion, is encouraged to contact Lorna Souva at (989) 471-2685 or Bonnie Tucker at (989) 727-2325.

#### **Teen Art Project**

Youth ages 11-19 are invited to the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Wednesday, Aug. 18 from 1 to 3 p.m. to experience a hands-on art project with local artist Patt Bacon. All supplies provided with a grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Kirtland Community College Foundation. Registration required, call (989) 724-6796.

#### **Birds of Prey**

Local falconer Jennifer Schroeder and co-presenter Karen Young of Bird Rescue of Huron Valley will share their respect for birds of prey with an exhibit of live birds on Thursday, Aug. 19 at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Hawks, falcons and owls illustrate the importance of the Great Lakes watershed and healthy rural habitats. This free program is sponsored in part by a grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Kirtland Community College Foundation. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

#### Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at various times during the week at senior centers in Glennie, 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 Thursday and by 9:30 a.m. on Friday.

Monday, August 16—

a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Chef John Webster Jr. from Tait's Bill of Fare is back, this time serving up recipes for outdoor entertaining, with some recipes for grilling fresh garden vegetables. Cost is \$5 per person and includes light lunch and recipes. Absolutely must register and pay fee by Friday, Aug. 20. Call (989) 724-6796.

#### Laminator at the Library

The Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library now owns a laminator, thanks to the Friends of the Library. Items to be laminated may be brought in for 24 hour return service. Charges range from \$1 to \$2 per page, depending on size. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

#### **Historical Day**

On Saturday, Aug. 14 the Alcona Historical Society will be hosting Historical Day on the grounds of Sturgeon Point Lighthouse just north of Harrisville. The event takes place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bestselling author, historian and dynamic storyteller Larry B. Massie will be the guest speaker for the event. He will speak at 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. under the tent. He will take the audience on a pilgrimage into his beloved state's past, his telling of true stories that make history come alive. Massie will share vignettes featuring Indian chiefs, steel-sinewed voyageurs, black-robed Jesuit priests who carried the cross to the wilderness, intrepid pioneers, rough-hewn lumberjacks, salty Great Lakes ship captains and Underground Railroad conductors who risked their lives guiding slaves to freedom and prove that Michigan history is fascinating.

Massie was born in Grand Rapids, Mich. and grew up in Allegan, Mich. Following a tour of duty in Vietnam as a U.S. Army paratrooper, he worked as a telephone lineman, construction laborer, bartender, pickle meister and archivist, before earning three degrees in history from Western Michigan University. Massie was recently awarded the first ever "Lifetime Achievement Award" from the Historical Society of Michigan. He has authored 20 popular history books; recently publishing "The Allure of Michigan's Past" and "Two-Tracks To Michigan's Past." Civil War re-enactors will also provide a living history demonstration of a Union soldiers encampment all day. This program is cosponsored by Civil War Guardians of Alcona County. The Sturgeon Point lighthouse and Bailey school museums will be open to the public free of charge. Anyone can climb the lighthouse tower for a \$3 donation. There will also be musical entertainment (a sing along), brats, hot dogs, strawberry shortcake and drinks on the site. This is a Passport to the Arts event.

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 Tuesday, August 17— Beef chop suey over rice, sugar snap peas, cucumber salad and fruit.

• Wednesday, August 18-Boiled dinner, carrots, red potatoes, cabbage, pineapple cheddar salad, cake and ice cream.

• Thursday, August 19-Meatloaf, au gratin potatoes, corn, pickled beets and fruit. • Friday, August 20–Meat and cheese pizza, tossed salad, tropical fruit and fresh fruit.

#### **Grilling with John**

Interested adults are invited to Grilling with John on Friday, Aug. 27 from 11:30

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# Local Notes

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Due to the recent passage of the Cottage Food Law buyers will find more items for sale at the Alcona Farmers Market now and in the future. Market goers will find pesticide-free sweet corn, eggplants, green peppers, green beans, tomatoes, lots of summer squash varieties, colored carrots, various types of potatoes, shelling peas, garlic, different varieties of onions, cucumbers, cabbage, beets, kohlrabi, kale, chard, lettuce, homemade jams and jellies, fudge, coffee, honey, firewood, vegetable books, grass-fed meats and poultry, free-range eggs, pizza by the slice, breads, cookies, and other bakery items, cut flowers, fresh herbs, rugs, handmade Adirondack furniture, recipes and framed oil paintings on Wednesday. Also Wednesday only, there will be Indian prayer sticks and braided sweet grass.

On Saturday only, there will be wax beans, Silver King artemisia for dried flower bouquets, hand-tied dried herbs, fresh trout, more varieties of fresh herbs, handmade mermaid dolls, hand-painted canvas totes, greeting cards, allnatural air fresheners, room scents and insect spray. Also on Saturday at the master gardeners' booth Alcona County master gardener Julie Eberhardt will answer questions about ornamental plants, shrubs, trees, vegetables, insects and any other aspect of gardening.

The market is open Wednesdays from 3 – 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. It is located on US-23 in Harrisville, one third of a mile south of the M-72 intersection. Park at the back of the market, or, with a handicap sticker, in the handicap parking near the building. In order to receive weekly updates of market offerings, send an e-mail to Harrisville-Market@gmail.com.

#### Wind Energy Program

Thinking about utilizing wind energy for a farm or household? On Tuesday, Aug. 24 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. there will be an educational program on small wind energy. The program will be in Room 106 of the Center Building on the campus of Alpena Community College. The presenters will be Dr. Lynn Hamilton and Dr. Steve Harsh of Michigan State University (MSU) Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics. They will give an overview of new policies and incentives for small wind systems and give details about the factors to consider before investing in small wind. A small wind checklist and wind turbine buyer's guide will be distributed. They will also discuss the economics of small wind systems. The last topic will be the USDA **REAP** (Rural Energy for America Program) for those that wish to stay and learn more about that program. Farmers and rural small business owners may qualify for 25 percent grant to help offset the costs of a renewable energy system under the REAP program. This MSU Extension program is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Mary Dunckel, MSU Extension Educator at (989) 354-9870.



## Barlows Celebrate 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary

Neil and Caroline Barlow of Mikado celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with family and friends at the Caledonia Township Hall in Spruce on July 31.

Neil Barlow and Caroline Dean were married on August 6, 1960 at Spruce Lutheran Church.

The Barlows lived in Southgate, Mich. prior to moving to Mikado in 1990. Mr. Barlow was a millwright at Great Lakes Steel. They have one son and one daughter and four grandchildren.



August 5 Mikado Legion I 146 Barton City I 118 Glennie I 107 Mikado Legion II 102 North Swamp I 89 Barton City II 74 Glennie II 62 North Swamp II 61 Oasis I 51 50 Barton City Eagles I Barton City Eagles II 28

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#### Songbirds

If you're just getting started on attracting songbirds into your backyard, and you can't decide which seed to start with, try black oil sunflower seed. Most birds love this oily delight,



The Purple Fair Pig was found on US-23 in Greenbush but has escaped again. Call 724-9420 if you have the new location to get a free weekly Fair pass. Last week's winner

Neil and Caroline Barlow

# MIKADO TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

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as conservation officer and area law supervisor. He has been involved in instruction of primarily snowmobile training with the DNRE since 1995 and privately since 1998. He is the recreation enforcement officer for the losco County Sheriff Department.

What they learned by training DNRE personnel helped them develop the course work and training they are supplying to their students.

"We recognize these people are not operating in a recreational setting – this is not a toy," Malette said. "This is a piece of equipment that their life often depends on – like a patrol car...We teach them to operate these vehicles – often times – in a worst case scenario – so they can come home in one piece."

One of the first training sessions they conducted was for a power company in Vermont that used snowmobiles to patrol power lines. They tailored their instruction to the needs of the company –





Pete Malette (right) and instructor Jim Volant talk about the next session of tactical dismounts.

who had several employees injured while using snowmobiles.

pitching the After company's assets to the Air National Guard, SPECVOC received a contract to train their personnel. MacNeill explained the contract was let after the Guard realized the importance of this training unfortunately, after tragedy struck. "Several injuries (occurred) and two para rescue guys were killed during their own training," MacNeill said. "It was after that happened that they recognized there was a problem and they came to us. We put together the program that we are offering now.'

The training lasts five days and begins with two days of classroom and basic use instruction — everything from an introduction of the machine, to its operation to the physics of breaking, weight transfers, force and masthead and velocity. "It's all the same whether you are riding a bike, driving a truck or an ATV," MacNeill said. "The only thing that changes is the surface."

They work into patrol tactics, tactical dismounts, straight line breaking to lateral weight transfers to multi vehicle formations and high speed braking exercises. They also learn and experience ascending and descending hills, riding with loads, formations with combat gear and linear danger zones.

Days three and four turn the tables on the students – who then become the instructors. "They teach us and each other on those days," MacNeill said. "This way they can also learn to teach the course and they can see where the pitfalls are as well."

The fifth day wraps everything up and puts it into "a more dynamic arena – where they experience terrain like Afghanistan – with the hills and rocks," MacNeill said. They also spend time running formations in a combat village on the base. "We are using basic real-time military issues and adapting it to our training."

In order to provide the level of training that SPECVOC does, MacNeill and Malette call on other individuals they've either worked with or have the level of experience they require. "Everything we do – what we hang our hats on is our credibility," Malette said. "We don't make promises we can't deliver and everyone we bring in knows they have a resume that shows they are very well versed in what they do."

Both Malette and MacNeill are proud of the caliber of instructors that work as independent contractors to provide specific training - when required for classes. Some of the contactors they work with include Jim Volant of Gaylord, Mich., a recently retired Michigan State Police trooper of 36 years and who spent 30 years on the Emergency Response Team; Vic Thompson, a combat instructor from Georgia; and John Judd, a retired Army special forces medic from Muskegon, Mich.

Both Malette and MacNeill admit that, as first-time business owners, they are really enjoying this aspect of their careers. They are actually having a lot of fun, but it's more than that too. "We are both too old to do military service, but this is something that we can do to help," Malette said.



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MacNeill and Malette watch trainees conduct formations in patrol scenarios. *Photos by Cheryl Peterson.* 

# Surf and turf

#### **By Bryan Layton Outdoor Writer**

Years ago, when I was old enough to realize what the outdoors had to offer, I fell in love with it.

As a kid, I was always bugging my dad and asking when our next fishing or hunting trip would be. I was his shadow for quite some time and he taught me a lot of things about the outdoors that would have taken me years to figure out on my own. When I think about the times I spent with him it always brings a smile to my face even if I'm having a not so good day.

One of the things that I would dream about as a kid, well before I was old enough to deer hunt, was getting my first opportunity at shooting a buck. I remember seeing numerous hunters with their bucks on top of cars and on buck poles. I absolutely loved looking at them and never missed a word of the story each person had about how the hunt went.

My first year behind the gun at the age of 14 put a nice doe in my crosshairs. I look at that picture of me and my doe today and can still remember the excitement and how awesome the experience was. Back then, you were extremely lucky to get a doe permit. Back then they didn't give them out like Halloween candy like they do now.

I was 18 years old when I shot my first buck (25 years ago) and I can remember it like it was yesterday. Seeing that set of antlers coming through the brush got my heart pounding. When the shot rang out the deer disappeared. I placed my bullet well and there wasn't any tracking needed. I remember rushing over to my buck and picking up that rack as fast as I could. I'm sure the smile I had wrapped all the way around my head. It was a wonderful six-point buck that still hangs on my wall today. He shares space with some

other bucks I have taken over the years but my first buck holds a special place in my heart and always will.

Deer hunting's main focus is and always will revolve around shooting a buck. Period. That is easily proven by sticking your head inside any taxidermist's shop across this wonderful country of ours and looking at what is hanging on the walls. Or by watching the numerous commercials on TV selling buck lure, rattling antlers, grunt tubes, doe urine, et cetera. They are all aimed at that majestic image of a big buck off in the distance that dances through your head once in a while throughout the year.

Don't get me wrong, I am not against shooting does at all and I feel that they are great trophies too. But when you do your homework and use any or all of the products mentioned above (or more) and it all pays off, it is a great feeling that little compares to. It doesn't matter if it is a spike or a 10-point.

A friend of mine, Paul Kramer of Lincoln, happened to shoot a great trophy buck last year that sported 24 inch spikes on each side. He said it looked like a steer coming through the woods. It was three and a half years old. I still stand firm when I say that some deer will never be more than spikes due to genetics. But the bottom line is that you need to shoot your idea of a trophy. Not mine or anyone else's. Just make sure you have the proper license to do so.

On another note, my son, Bryan Jr., and I did some walleye fishing last Saturday for the first time near Charity Island in Lake Huron south of Tawas City. We didn't know much about the area so I was picking the brains of everyone I knew that fished there before.

We launched at the newly renovated park on Lake Street near 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. in Tawas City and drove about 25 minutes





before arriving at our spot. It was a beautiful ride and the water was fairly calm for our trip. Salmon and steelhead were not our original targets but any time I fish the big lake, old habits take over. I couldn't resist putting a silver streak on the downrigger and that was the first lure in the water.

As we were rigging up the other poles with crawler harnesses the rod popped loose from the downrigger and line was screaming out of the reel. Bryan snatched up the pole and the fight was on. It was a nice steelhead that made a couple of nice runs and was flipping out of the water like an acrobat at times. Bryan was very excited and wore a smile the entire time. He fought with the fish for about 10 minutes before we had it in the net. This was his first steelhead and my guess is he won't forget it.

As for the walleye, we went home without catching a single one. We spoke to some other folks that went home without any also. One fisherman said the fish are filling

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The Village of Lincoln is seeking sealed Bids for the Demolition, Asbestos Removal and Site Restoration of the former Miller Hardware Building and the former Alcona Auto Parts located on Second Street within the Village Downtown Area.

Bids will be received by the Village of Lincoln at the Village Office located at 117 W. Fiske Street, Lincoln, MI 48742 until 2 p.m. (local time), September 7, 2010, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

A pre-bid conference will be held on August 24, 2010 at 2 p.m. to allow contractors to conduct a walkthrough of each building and answer any questions. The meeting will begin at the Village Office.

Bidding Documents may be obtained at the office of Fleis & VandenBrink Engineering, Inc.,

Bryan Layton Jr., 16, of Mikado proudly displays his first steelhead. It was caught trolling a spoon near Charity Island south of Tawas City last Saturday. Photo by Bryan Layton.

304 West Wackerly, Suite 600, Midland, MI 48640: Telephone (989) 837-3280. A nonrefundable payment of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) will be required for each set of Contract Documents. An additional, non-refundable payment of Five Dollars (\$5.00) will be required for mailing the Bidding Documents.

Bidding Documents may be examined at the following locations:

Fleis & VandenBrink Engineering, Inc., 304 West Wackerly, Suite 600, Midland, MI 48640 Fleis & VandenBrink Engineering, Inc. 2960 Lucerne Drive SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546 Village of Lincoln, 117 W. Fiske Street, Lincoln, Michigan 48742 Builders and Traders Exchange: 1240 East Saginaw, Lansing, MI 48906 McGraw Hill Construction/ReproMAX: 2521 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48912 Construction Association of Michigan: 48636 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check or Bid Bond by a recognized surety in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bidder's maximum bid price.

> Village of Lincoln Phillip Jordan Village President

# SENIOR LIFESTYLES

# How to settle a loved one's estate

Dear Savvy Senior,

My 77-year-old aunt recently asked me to be the executor of her estate when she dies. I feel flattered that she asked. but I'm not sure what the job entails. What can you tell me, and where can I get some help?

Honored but Clueless

Dear Clueless,

Serving as the executor of your aunt's estate may seem like an honor, but it's also a big chore. Here's what you should know to help you prepare for the job.

As the executor of your aunt's estate, you're essentially responsible for winding up her earthly affairs after she dies. While this may sound simple enough, you need to be aware that the job can be tedious, time consuming and difficult depending on the complexity of her financial and family situation. Here's a rundown of some of the different duties you'll be responsible for.

• Locate her will and compile an inventory of everything in her estate: Real estate, cars, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, IRAs, bank accounts, insurance policies, et cetera.

• Apply to appear before probate court.

• Notify the beneficiaries named in her will.

• Handle day-to-day details like terminating her leases, credit cards, magazine subscriptions and notifying banks and government agencies such as Social Security and the post office of her death.

in the name of the estate which you'll use to pay expenses like utility bills, mortgage payments, home-owner's insurance, funeral expenses, taxes, legal fees, et cetera.

• Prepare and file final income tax returns.

Distribute assets to the beneficiaries named in her will.

If you agree to take on the responsibility of your aunt's estate, your first step is to meet with her and make sure she has an updated will, and find out where all her important documents and financial information is located. Being able to quickly put your hands on deeds, brokerage statements and insurance policies after she dies will save you a lot of time and hassle.

If your aunt has a complex estate, consider hiring an attorney or tax accountant to guide you through the process, with the estate picking up the cost. Find out if your aunt uses anyone in particular for legal or tax advice. If so, get their names and contact information. Once she dies, you can use them or hire someone else.

Whoever you choose, make sure they have experience dealing with estates. If you need help locating a pro, the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (naela.org), and the National Association of **Estate Planners and Councils** (naepc.org) are good resources to help you search.

If your aunt has kids, find out if there are any conflicts • Set up a checking account brewing between them or any



of her other beneficiaries. If there are some potential problems, you can make your job as executor much easier if everyone knows in advance who's getting what, and why. So ask your aunt to tell her beneficiaries what they can expect. This includes the personal items too, because wills often leave it up to the executor to dole out heirlooms. If there's no distribution plan for personal property, suggest she make one and put it in writing.

As the executor, you're entitled to a fee paid by the estate. State law determines the amount, which can range anywhere from one to five percent depending on the size of the estate. But, if you're also a beneficiary, it may make sense for you to forgo the fee. That's because it's taxable income, while Uncle Sam and most states don't tax inheritances. (To find the inheritance tax law in your aunt's state, see retire-mentliving.com.)

• Savvy Tip: For more help, Nolo [nolo.com; (800) 728-3555] offers an excellent resource book called "The Executor's Guide: Settling A Loved One's Estate or Trust" (\$30), which gives step-bystep advice on how to settle an estate.

# Pre-diagnosing Alzheimer's Disease

#### **Senior News Line By Matilda Charles**

Would you want to know years in advance that you have Alzheimer's disease in your future?

It's a huge question, and getting an answer could soon become a real possibility. Scientists are now developing ways to pre-diagnose Alzheimer's, as much as 10 years in advance, and they're setting out guidelines on just how it can be done. Following these guidelines, they say, doctors will be able not only to diagnose, but also estimate what stage the patient currently is in.

Scientists predict that the minute these guidelines go into effect, the number of diagnoses of Alzheimer's could increase two to three times.

One of the tests in the guidelines is a PET scan of the brain, where amyloid plaques, if they are there, will show up. The other is a test of spinal-fluid proteins. These two tests, along with the standard cognitive tests, are a big step from the current method of diagnosing Alzheimer's: autopsy after death.

The drug manufacturers, of course, are all for it. The instant there's a pre-Alzheimer's diagnosis, they stand to make money there are a number of drugs

in production they'd like to try.

The Food and Drug Administration is being cautious about those drugs, however. It wants proof that the drugs work, which will be difficult to determine quickly, as Alzheimer's moves slowly over years.

There's still hope, of course, of stopping any pre-Alzheimer's in its tracks. Research extracted from the long-term Framingham Heart Study (since 1948) indicates that exercise can go a long way to cutting the risk of Alzheimer's. Another recent study revealed that a diet with adequate vitamin D can cut the risk of Alzheimer's. (Researchers aren't sure, however, if vitamin D supplements will work.)

For Alzheimer's information, go online to the Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org or call its help line at 1-800-272-3900.

Matilda Charles regrets that she cannot personally answerreader questions, but will incorporate them into her column whenever possible. Write to her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send email to columnreply@gmail.com. (c) 2010 King Features Synd., Inc.





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# Planning underway for fall color tour

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While the theme of the George Byelich Memorial Fall Color Tour is still a big secret, organizers promise this year's tour participants will see some pretty amazing things as they explore Alcona County.

The tour, as the name implies, is in memory of the late George Byelich, former Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) director for Alcona County. Byelich organized the bus tour years ago to help citizens explore and learn about the many facets of life in Alcona County. Dubbed the "Fall Color Tour," participants found themselves introduced to far more than red and gold fall foliage and the tour became a soldout, waiting-list, annual event.

Some things never change. Participants still find themselves introduced to more than autumn colors, an early morning lineup for ticket sales to start and a potential waiting list. Recent highlights have included the Byelich Farm (2007), where Louella Byelich shared her perspective about "George's" bus tour and a close-up view of Glenview Acres P & G Farms and its Clydesdale horses.

In 2008, with an "energy" theme, a tour of the High Mount Midwest Energy plant, Viking Energy and the Cedarbrook Trout Farm were just a few of the many energy-related activities. And last year, when participants were transported back in time, some reported seeing ghosts in Springport Cemetery, reflecting on the county's past and exploring



Bus tour participants travel to various locations within Alcona County in conjunction with each year's theme. *Courtesy photo.* 

ancient history while touring the Harrisville Cultural Center.

In keeping with the spirit and tradition of the original tours, organizers have arranged yet another road trip that will give participants an opportunity to discover the cool stuff about Alcona County that is "right under their nose." The tour will again start at the Alcona High School, where a school bus will be waiting to take participants on an unknown journey. One change this year is that the estimated time of return is 4:15 p.m., as opposed to other years when the bus returned at 2:30 p.m.

Don't miss the 2010 bus tour on October 7 or October 8. Tickets go on sale at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 7 at the MSU Extension office, 320 S. US-23, Harrisville. The cost is still \$15 per person and includes the tour, handouts and lunch. The cost for the experience: Priceless. The cheesy jokes during the tour? Free. Please, only two tickets per person.

Since travel is by school bus, participants must be ambulatory. If assistance is needed, contact the MSUE office at (989) 724-6478 by October 1 to allow for reasonable accommodations.

# Surf

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up on some type of fly that just hatched so it was bad timing for the walleye, I guess.

That steelhead got my blood pumping though. I used to spend a lot of time in Lake Huron fishing out of Harrisville for salmon and that steelhead reminded me of what I have been missing. I can remember having three to four fish on at one time and it was awesome! More to come in this department for sure.

Take a little time to get into the woods or out on the water and take a youngster along too. Michigan's outdoors has a lot of wonderful things to offer.

(Bryan Layton lives in Mikado. He is an avid outdoorsman and has been since his first hunting trip with his father. Any questions or comments concerning the outdoors can be sent to alconaoutdoors-@yahoo.com.)



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# Mackinac Bridge chosen as national historic civil engineering landmark

On Thursday, Aug. 12, the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) will present the Mackinac Bridge Authority (MBA) and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) with a plaque to officially dedicate the Mackinac Bridge as a National Historic Civil Engineering Landmark.

"This is another very special moment for the Mackipreservation of landmarks, as well as promote historical awareness of civil engineering, both professionally and to the general public. To date, more than 200 projects worldwide have earned this prominent designation.

"The Mackinac Bridge ended decades of reliance on ferries for people to travel between Michigan's peninsulas," said ASCE President Blaine D. Leonard. "The engineering excellence that went into designing and constructing this impressive bridge had a real impact on people's lives. It has served, and will continue to serve, as an inspiration for generations of engineers." In 2000, the Mackinac Bridge was chosen by the Michigan Section of ASCE as "Michigan's No. 1 Civil Engineering Project of the 20th Century." The Mackinac Bridge is the third-longest suspension bridge in the world and the longest suspension bridge between anchorages in the Western Hemisphere. The total length of the Mackinac Bridge is 26,372 feet. The length of the suspension bridge (including anchorages) is 8,614 feet.

Thomas is a two to three year old neutered male. He is a very sweet boy who would fit in with any family! **PET OWNERS PLEASE SP** 

nac Bridge," said MBA Board Chairman William H. Gnodtke. "A new commemorative medallion will be available at the event to help us celebrate this designation and remember the milestone."

State Transportation Director Kirk T. Steudle said, "Having the bridge recognized as a National Historic Civil Engineering Landmark is a stunning achievement that everyone in the state of Michigan should be proud of."

The August 12 event will bring together ASCE dignitaries, MDOT officials, MBA board members, Straits-area business leaders, and interested members of the public.

ASCE established its historic civil engineering designation program in 1964 to recognize and encourage

#### Off-site fueling

NOTICE TO BID

The Board of Road Commissioners for Alcona County, 301 N. Lake Street, P.O. Box 40, Lincoln, MI 48742, is accepting sealed bids for exclusive supply of diesel fuel and no-lead gasoline from an off-site fueling facility. Interested bidders may submit options for 1, 3, and/ or 5 year contracts. The fuel bids must be expressed as price per gallon above the bidder's documented wholesale cost for fuel at the time of purchase. Additional specifications pertaining to this notice are available from the Road Commission office at the above address.

Bids will be received at the above address until 10 a.m. August 24, 2010, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. The Board of Road Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to award the bid to other than the low bidder, to accept any or all alternatives, to waive any irregularities and/or informalities and in general to make an award deemed by it, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of the Alcona County Road Commission.

All bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope with "Off-Site Fuel Bid" clearly marked on the outside of the envelope.

Richard A. Karsen Sr., Chair of the Board

### ACCEPTING BIDS

Mikado Township is accepting bids for a 12' 6" H x 45' L Semi-enclosed Evans Cargo Trailer. All removal responsibilities and permits are of the bidder. Trailer must be removed within 30 days of being awarded the bid. Please send closed bids to: Mikado Township Clerk, P.O. Box 60, Mikado, MI 48745-0060 with "Trailer Bids" annotated on the outside of the envelope by September 3, 2010. For information, call (989) 736-7721.

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# Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of August 1-7, 2010

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Complaint Statistics									
Traffic	6	-	Car/Deer		4				
Property Damage Accide	ent 3		General A	ssistance	10				
False Alarm	5		Burglary		1				
Animal	11		Patrol Che	eck	1				
911 Hang Up	4		Larceny		3				
Mal. Destruction of Prope	erty 1		Operate W	/hile Intoxicated	3				
Suspicious Person	2		Criminal S	exual Conduct	2				
Miscellaneous	8		Lost Prope	erty	1				
Marine	1		Animal Bite						
Assault	1		Trespass		2				
Warrant Arrest	2		Fireworks		2				
Threats	1		Suspicious	s Vehicle	4				
Juvenile	2		Sex Offen	2					
Property Check	1		Vio. of Restricted License						
Civil	3		Loud Party	/	1				
Gun Shots	2								
Complain	its taken	n by City, To	ownship o	or Village					
Alcona 7		Caledonia	3	Curtis	11				
Greenbush 11		Gustin	5	Harrisville	9				
Hawes 9		Haynes	6	Mikado	3				
Millen 11		Mitchell	2						
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#### **Cedar Lake Improvement Board** NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Friday, August 27, 2010, 7:00 PM **Greenbush Township Hall** Greenbush, Michigan

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Notice is Hereby Given:

That the Cedar Lake Improvement Board has approved and initiated a Lake 1. Management Program for Cedar Lake.

That costs will be determined on an annual basis, and will be dependent on aquatic 2. plant treatment needs, as-well-as other lake management requirements for the recreational year immediately following the assessment. A given annual assessment may be less than, but will not exceed, \$150 per assessed property.

3. That this Board has designated the following described lands in each township as constituting the Special Assessment District against which the cost of the project is to be assessed: all lakefront parcels located on Cedar Lake, in Alcona and losco counties, Michigan – Alcona County, Sections 15, 22, 27, and 34, Township 25 North, Range 9 East, Greenbush Township; AND losco County, Sections 3 and 10, Township 24 North, Range 9 East, Oscoda Township. Lists of included parcels and maps of the Special Assessment District for the Cedar Lake Improvement Board's Lake Management Program will be available for public viewing at the Public Hearing, as-well-as the Oscoda Township Assessor's Office, located at 110 S. State Street, Oscoda, Michigan.

This Special Assessment for the Lake Management Program is proposed to be levied annually for a period of ten (10) years.

That the Cedar Lake Improvement Board will meet at the Greenbush Township 5. Hall, 5039 Campbell Road, Greenbush, Michigan, 48738, on Friday, August 27, 2010, at 7 p.m., to hear and consider any objections to the assessments and to said special assessment roll.

# Michigan ranks in Top 10 in nation for farmers markets

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has released its 2010 National Farmers Market Directory and Michigan ranks fourth in the nation for the most operational farmers markets.

There are 271 operational farmers markets in Michigan listed in the USDA directory. California claimed the top spot with 580, followed by New York with 461, and Illinois with 286.

"Between 2008 and 2009, we saw a 13 percent increase in the number of farmers markets operating in the state," said Governor Jennifer M. Granholm. "Dollars spent at area farmers markets are more likely to stay in Michigan, benefiting local communities and strengthening our economy.'

As the state's second largest industry, Michigan's agrifood sector generates \$71.3 billion annually, making it a building block for diversifying the state's economy. Production agriculture, food processing and related businesses employ more than one million people. Michigan produces more than 200 commodities, making it second only to California in terms of agricultural diversity. "This is a great opportunity to celebrate National Farmers Market Week by honoring our community farmers markets," said Don Koivisto, director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture. "Michigan's farmers markets offer consumers fresh and locally grown and produced foods for their dining room table. Buying locally also provides an opportunity to meet the people who feed us and learn how our food was grown and produced. Not to mention, the best tasting foods ripen closest to home.' Of Michigan's 271 farmers

markets, 57 are authorized to accept Bridge Cards electronically this year. This number has grown from 29 in 2009 through the efforts of the Michigan Farmers Market Food Assistance Partnership, led by the Michigan Food Policy Council (MFPC) and the Michigan Farmers Market Association (MIFMA). The partnership's work and 2010 growth has been funded through a grant as part of the USDA's Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food Initiative.

"This work supports our local economy and Michigan producers while increasing the accessibility to local and fresh food for our low-income families," said Granholm. "Many fruits and vegetables can lose up to 50 percent of their nutrients in just five days time, so buying locally grown food not only tastes better but is a healthier choice."

Michigan is a state steeped in agricultural heritage. It is home to about 10 million acres of farmland and 56,014 farms averaging 179 acres each.

If the Cedar Lake Improvement Board confirms the roll, a special assessment 6. shall be levied against properties that benefit from the Lake Management Program. Act No. 162, of Public Acts of 1962, being sections 211.741 to 211.746 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, provides that appearance and protest at the hearing in the special assessment proceedings is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner or party in interest, or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter submitted to, Edward Roddy, Greenbush Township Supervisor, 3731 S. US-23, Greenbush, MI 48738, and his or her personal appearance shall not be required.

7. The owner, or any person having an interest in the real property, may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll, if that special assessment was protested at the hearing held for the purpose of confirming the roll.

8. Any questions or concerns may be directed to the Greenbush Township Supervisor, at (989)739-2159, Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

More than 90 percent of Michigan farmland is owned by families.

Additionally, according to the 2007 USDA Census of Agriculture, there has been significant growth in the number of small farms over the past few years.

To find a full list of farmers markets in Michigan, visit the Michigan Farmers Market Association's website at www.mifma.org and click "Find a Farmers Market."

Results from the USDA National Farmers Market Directory are based upon voluntary reporting from farmers market managers. The USDA National Farmers Market Directory is available online at http://apps.ams.usda.gov/FarmersMarkets.

# DNRE responds to Kalamazoo River oil spill

All summer long, American television audiences have been subjected to tales of an environmental disaster as images of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill were beamed into their homes almost daily. Then in late July, Michigan residents were given frontrow seats to a similar – albeit much smaller in scope - disaster as a leaking oil pipeline spilled heavy crude oil into Talmadge Creek, which flows into the Kalamazoo River near Marshall, Mich.

Exactly how much oil leaked from the pipeline which transported crude oil from Indiana to Sarnia, Ontario - is in dispute with estimates ranging from about 800,000 gallons to more than a million. Either way, the spill was catastrophic; enough oil escaped from the pipeline to put a petroleum sheen on the river for 35 miles downstream - from Marshall, Mich. to just upstream from the Kalamazoo, Mich. city limits – and to coat the riparian zone with black gunk along the way.

Because petroleum pipelines fall under the jurisdiction of the federal government, the Environmental Protection Agency became the lead agency to oversee the disaster with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service taking on the task of protecting the fish and wildlife resources along the waterway.

But the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment sprung into action as well, aiding the federal effort to rescue and protect fish and wildlife along the river corridor.

"We're in it from soup to nuts," said DNRE Director Becky Humphries. "We're in it up to our eyeballs - a whole department effort. Our fisheries and wildlife people and our law enforcement officers have been on the scene from the start. Our water people are out sampling, upstream and downstream, and our air quality people are working with the communities to make sure we're evacuating the right people.

The DNRE Fisheries Division immediately mobilized teams to begin surveying the affected area to try to determine the extent of the damage to fish and wildlife resources. (Reptiles and amphibians are overseen by the fisheries division.) Teams were on the water, observing and collecting specimens downriver from the spill within a couple of days, as soon as the EPA allowed them on the water. "We need to know the impacts of this event as soon as we can," said Gary Whelan, **Fisheries Division's Hatchery** Program manager who was acting chief of the division the week that the leak occurred. "Oiled reptiles are a problem and we certainly have a lot of them. We've seen a lot of turtles in distress." Fisheries crews sampling the river — as well as U.S.Fish and Wildlife Service employees - are collecting oilcovered turtles and taking them to rehabilitation centers to be cleaned up. A pair of soft-shelled turtles that were collected and cleaned were released at Binder Park

Zoo in Battle Creek, Mich.

Through the early days of the leak, the fisheries crews failed to find any large-scale fish kills. But just because fisheries staffers have yet to find large-scale fish kills, doesn't mean they won't.

'We might see delayed mortalities," Whelan said. "We'll be looking for fish kills for some time to come. We'll be surveying for certainly weeks and it could be months."

And fish are not the only concern, Whelan said. What about insects? Crayfish? Mussels? Frogs?

"Those things can be hard to detect," Whelan said.

Fisheries division has good data on what fisheries populations should look like along the river because of the division's long-term Status and Trends Survey Program. So future population surveys could yield important information on how fish were affected by the spill. But similar data does not exists for reptiles or amphibians, so fisheries crews are conducting surveys upstream from the spill to try to generate baseline data for future comparisons.

John Lerg, wildlife habitat biologist out of the DNRE's

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#### **CEDAR LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP** ~ ALCONA COUNTY **OSCODA TOWNSHIP** ~ **IOSCO COUNTY**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CEDAR LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD APPROVING AND ESTABLISHING A COMPRE-HENSIVE LAKE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM THAT EN-COMPASSES ALL ASPECTS OF LAKE MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL; AND TO RENEW AND INCREASE THE MAXI-MUM OF A TEN (10) YEAR ASSESSMENT FOR WEED TREATMENT – NOT TO EXCEED \$150.00 PER YEAR. THIS ASSESSMENT SHALL REPLACE ANY UNEXPIRED PORTION OF THE EXISTING WEED CONTROL AS-SESSMENT.

At a Public Meeting of the CEDAR LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD, held at the Greenbush Township Hall, in Greenbush, Michigan, on the 7th day of August, 2010, at 9 a.m., local time:

#### PRESENT:

- Edward Roddy, Greenbush Township, Supervisor
- Carolyn Brummund, Alcona County, Commissioner,
- Roberta Roulo, losco County Commissioner, and
- Russell Anton, Lake Board Elected, Citizen Representative

#### ABSENT:

- James Baier, Oscoda Township, Supervisor,
- Richard Karsen, Alcona County Road Commission, Gary Adams, losco County Drain Commissioner.

The following resolution was offered by: Carolyn Brummund.

And was seconded by: Roberta Roulo

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held on August 7, 2010, regarding the establishment of a comprehensive Lake Management Program that would encompass all aspects of lake management, including, but I, Edward Roddy, chairperson of said Cedar Lake Improvement; and to renew and increase the maximum of a ten (10) year annual assessment for those lake management services, including but not limited to, weed treatment, or other plant control mechanisms, and other actions as may be deemed necessary and appropriate - not to exceed \$150.00 per year. This assessment shall replace any unexpired portion of the existing weed control assessment.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING PRACTICABILITY 08/07/2010 Improvement Board has determined to proceed with the comprehensive Lake Management Program that will encompass all aspects of lake management, including, but not limited to, aquatic plant management and treatment; and to renew and increase the maximum of a ten (10) year annual assessment for lake management services, including, but not limited to, weed treatment, or other plant control mechanisms, and other actions as may be deemed necessary and appropriate - not to exceed \$150.00 per year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1) The Lake Board hereby determines that the proposed comprehensive Lake Management Program is practicable, and it confirms its intent to proceed with the project.

The Lake Board hereby approves the establishment 2) of a ten (10) year comprehensive Lake Management Program that encompasses all aspects of lake management, including, but not limited to, aquatic plant management and treatment, and other plant control mechanisms and other actions as may be deemed necessary and appropriate. The maximum assessment per property for this project is to be no greater than \$150 per year. This assessment shall replace any unexpired portion of the existing weed control assessment.

#### 3) NOTICE.

This RESOLUTION, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Act 451 of 1994, section 324.30912, shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in each local unit of government to be affected.

#### **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

not limited to, aquatic plant management and treat- ment Board, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Lake Board at a meeting held on the 7th day of August, 2010. Public Notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, being section 324.30902 to 324.30929 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

WHEREAS, notice of the time and place of the hearing was mailed, via U.S. First-Class Mail, to all property owners in the Cedar Lake Improvement Board Special Assessment District; and

WHEREAS, the Cedar Lake Improvement Board conducted a public hearing on August 7, 2010, for the purpose of hearing public comment on the practicability of the proposed project; and on the increase of the maximum lake management special assessment; and

WHEREAS, after consideration, the Cedar Lake

On Roll Call vote the following vote was recorded:

Yea votes: Edward Roddy, Carolyn Brummund, Roberta Roulo, and Russell Anton

Nav votes: None

Absent: James Baier, Richard Karsen, and Gary Adams

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand, this 7th day of August, 2010.

(signed) Edward Roddy

Edward Roddy

Chairperson, Cedar Lake Improvement Board

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year-old son, Connor, she said, "it's his time now."

Although she is retiring from the National Guard, Oliver will continue her fulltime position as the manager of the Silver Nitrate Manufacturing for the Kodak Corporation. "That's my full-time job," she said, "The Army is my part-time job".

While in Afghanistan, the task force worked to train Afghan military and police. In Oliver's case, she taught Afghan public affairs officers the logistics of collecting images and writing stories about the country, the people and the activities they were involved in. She uses some of those photos to offer programs on the Afghan people, their country and culture to local audiences through her job at Kodak. She hopes to

make the program available in this area on her next visit home.

The task force participated in a number of training and humanitarian projects while in country, Oliver said, and she assisted with food drops, medical care and even veterinary care while she was there. While she describes the recent award ceremony as "a very nice day," she said she was "overwhelmed" by the people of Afghanistan.

"I was treated like a rock star," she said. "It was like being the Brittany Spears of Afghanistan," she laughingly added. "The Afghan life-span is about 40 to 46 years," she explained. "I was about 44 when I was there. The people would see me and think I was about 23 or 24. As a woman, I traveled with a large group of men and as a major, I was in command. They couldn't believe that."

Afghanistan, and the plight of its people she said, made her cry almost daily. "Afghanistan is very poor one of the five poorest countries in the world," she said. "The average police officer makes about \$3 a day. People do without the most basic things. There's nowhere to buy a toothbrush or toothpaste, for example. Penicillin is a wonder drug there. Because of their lack of exposure to modern medications, it cures almost everything. So here I was, a fairly healthy, robust woman in charge, bringing a medicine that cured all their diseases. They almost viewed us as gods. Whenever we went out, the children just mobbed us.

As a mom herself, Oliver found the children especially touching. She and her fellow soldiers wrote home saying they really didn't need anything, but asked their families to send clothing, personal care items and school supplies. "We were overwhelmed by what we received," Oliver said.

She related a discussion with a young boy who had received a container of body powder and asked her what it was. "I explained that you put it on your body to absorb sweat and to make you smell good," she remembered. "He looked at me and said, 'Why would you do that?""

Other memories are more touching, Oliver said. On one occasion, she was asked to retrieve a badly burned toddler from an Afghan home



Oliver in combat gear.

because the mother's husband would not allow her to leave the house. She picked

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up the two-year-old who had been placed on the front stoop and took her to medics, who determined that while her burns had probably been very painful, they were largely healed.

When Oliver returned with the child, a man came from the house and said, "Would you like to buy this child? You seem to like her."

"That's shocking to us, here in the United States," Oliver said, "But I could see his logic. If I took this child to America, she would probably receive advanced medical treatment to help her scars, she'd get regular meals, a nice home, an education. And with the few thousand dollars he received, he could support his other children for a long time. People are driven to that level, that they would have to sell one child to support their other children."

Although women were rarely treated as equal in Afghanistan, Oliver said, the arrival of the task force allowed them to join the military and police force. She remembers meeting some women soldiers one day. One Afghan woman walked up, kissed her on the cheek and whispered, "Thank you my sister," she said.

The majority of Afghans are Muslims, Oliver said, but they are "very flexible" in their religion. "Most of the children participate in education programs now, where they learn English. They recognize our holidays and would say "Merry Christmas" to us. They know about the Fourth of July." Despite the extreme poverty, she said, the people are very generous. "If you give them something, any little thing, they want to have you to tea or invite you to their home," she said. "The children say 'Tasha Kohr' – which means thank you, and they put their hand on their heart."

Asked if she would like to say anything in this article, Oliver chose to say "Tasha Kohr" herself. "I want to say thanks to the families, to all the people and the employers that support our forces," she said. "Without them, none of this would be possible. Family members who keep your child, so you can go and do this, who believe in the effort as much as you do. People are so supportive. Our employers welcome us back when we come home. Some time with that, but I was welsoldiers have had a tough comed back with open arms."



Oliver comforts a toddler who suffered from severe burns. *Courtesy photos.* 



# Spud Mickey Mouse?

#### **By Mary Weber** Columnist

We passed it around the table at work, I thought it definitely had a Mickey Mouse shape to it, others thought the ears were a bit too small and maybe it looked a little more like Winnie the Pooh. There was not one among us that couldn't deny it was a very odd shape for a potato.

I acquired the unusual spud on a late Wednesday trip to the Alcona Farmers Market in Harrisville. I try to go on Saturdays, but with summer in full swing, my Saturdays are pretty busy. You see, my husband and I happen to have the only place "up north" that our downstate relatives can go to get away from busy city urban life.

On Saturday mornings at the Weber Free Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner for Wayward Relatives Retreat we're usually serving breakfast, not shopping for it. I work on Wednesdays, so I get to the market later than most. That day there were just a handful of stragglers, like myself, looking over what was left to be gotten before the farmers packed up for the night.

I spotted some fantastic looking cinnamon rolls that I just couldn't resist when I heard a deep voice from the next booth shout out – "I've still got a Mickey Mouse potato to sell." That caught my



What does this potato look like? Photo by Mary Weber.

attention and I had to look. From the angle I was standing, with my glasses still a little foggy from stepping from the air conditioned car into the hot humid air, it did (at least to me) really look like a Mickey Mouse face shaped potato.

'Wow, you need to take that up to the Review and have them take a picture for the paper" I chortled. After all, isn't that what hometown news is all about? The weekly anticipation of opening the pages of the local newspaper to see photos of giant puff ball mushrooms hunted down by serious 'shroomers, enormous fish photos caught by fellow Alconites on distant shores and photos of our local community celebrating their anniversaries along with golfers who got that rare hole in

one. It's small town rural life at its best.

This was no ordinary potato and the people of this community needed to know about it. Well, maybe they didn't, but I thought it was worthy of at least a picture in the paper.

Mike Morrison from Morrison Farm Grown Veggies was still holding spud Mickey in the air when I told him again "Really, you need to have this tater's picture taken." He just laughed "I'll tell you what, I'll give you this potato...you seem like a nice lady." Mike obviously didn't know me, but he knew I had seen value in the spud when apparently others didn't and he handed me the potato. I felt obliged to buy three banana peppers from his stand (they were delicious).

I truly felt as giddy as a

school girl in love traveling home from the market - I couldn't wait to show off my amusing find. I held it up for my husband to look at. "Ŵell," he hesitated for a moment thinking carefully of just the right words. "It's got a couple of ears...but it really doesn't look much like Mickey Mouse" he said laughing. "Oh yes it does." I quipped. I felt as if my best friend had just told me I had an ugly dog. "It does kinda look like Mickey if you hold him the right way"...hmmm...actually I was starting to wonder myself why I was so excited to acquire this odd spud.

Most of America's food is found in the grocery store, perfectly shaped, waxed to perfection...gleaming of the highest standards that have been forced upon its industry. Grocery store potatoes are all oval or round and come in bags that don't really allow the consumer to see each potato, tomatoes are typically, plump, round and unfortunately have very little taste, eggs rarely (if at all) have a double yoke and carrots too have standards they must be long and strait or come in pre-peeled small bright orange pieces in a plastic bag.

For much of the year grocery store veggies are the only fresh vegetables available, so this is what most of Michigan consumers buy. But, for a few wondrous months we get

# Alcona's Backyard

a treat beyond the supermarket shelf. It is a time when farmers markets open and the farmers themselves gather to sell and share their home grown goodness, nurtured with love and care and brought to the masses in baskets freshly picked from the farm that morning. There is simply nothing better unless you grow it yourself.

At the farmers market you are much more apt to find a vegetable or egg that wouldn't have quite made it to the "absolute perfect" section at the grocery store. There really isn't anything wrong with these types of nontraditional foods; I'm sure spud Mickey will taste just like any other potato, maybe even better.

I had to find out more about this potato so I called the Morrison farm. "They're Yukon gold European yellow flush" said Deanna Morrison, Farmer Mike's wife. "Sometimes funny shapes just happen. Last year we had a potato that looked like E.T. The shape won't affect the taste. They are a really good tasting potato. You can bake, boil, mash or fry them and the

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# What a day for a daydream

#### **By Kathryn Fritz Kniep** Columnist

Several times this summer, I've found myself listening to or reading a discussion of whether kids are kept too busy on their summer vacations. Yes, some of the pundits argue. Soccer camp, tennis camp, math, science and day camp; tutoring, language, art and creative writing classes; T-ball, Little League and modern dance keep young people stressed and on edge. No, the other team contends, a goal-oriented schedule is part of today's society, the Japanese are still beating us on standardized tests and the devil finds work for idle hands, as it were.

Personally, I've always been big on giving kids time, space and nothing much to do. Beyond their daily chores and the occasional bedroomcleaning, I'm inclined toward one structured activity a week (baseball, or swimming lessons or whatever) participating in the library's summer reading program and not much else that has to be noted on the calendar.

Given a healthy amount of oversight (somewhere between the hover-mother and checking in long distance every three days) I think a long, lazy summer is good for kids. They'll find things to do, even if those things don't appear to be doing much from a parent's perspective. And they'll most likely learn something, albeit inadvertently.

I did. Looking back at a youth filled with highly unstructured summers, I thought about just what it was that I'd learned.

With the advantage of living above my parents store, the summer after fourth grade, for example, I was allowed to stay "home" alone. While most days were spent exploring and looking for those idle hands opportunities with a pack of neighborhood kids, there were lots of days that I slept in and basically hung around for the day. I watched copious amounts of Perry Mason (reruns, but then I didn't realize that). Utilizing my newly developing cooking skills, I ate a great deal of Minute Rice and garlic bread.

Garlic bread was new- or new to my family, anyway, in those days. After some experimentation, I learned that it came out best if you buttered two slices of Wonder Bread, coated them generously with garlic powder, and then popped them into the toaster. In the process of learning that attorneys tended to solve the case in a blinding flash of brilliance during the last 15 minutes, I munched down maybe four slices, along with a bowl of Minute Rice or some Honey Smack cereal. (I think of it fondly as my carb fest summer). Eventually, I also learned that if you make four slices of garlic bread almost every day of June and July, your father will eventually wonder aloud what on earth is making the toast taste so funny, and if you tell him, you'll probably be banned from making gar-

lic toast for the rest of your tenure under his roof. But hey, I learned something.

I spent the entire summer between elementary and junior high teaching myself to swim underwater. No instructor, no schedule, no life preserver. Just a compulsive level of dedication, stuffedup ears, red eyes and a major sense of pride in my eventual accomplishment.

Somewhere in there, several of us spent a summer learning to play poker from a good-looking neighbor boy, home from the seminary. Learning how to bluff with a straight face from a future priest is a skill that's served me well more than once in my life.

And the summer I was going into high school, I discovered – while baby-sitting a toddler – "Peyton Place" on the young mom's bedside table and learned all manner of things. By Labor Day, I'd probably read and re-read it six times and while some of the things I learned took me years to unlearn, I was more taken with the photo of author Grace Metalious on the back cover than any of the alleged "good parts."

If you grew up in the 1950s, you probably remember that photo. Metalious, seated at her kitchen table in a pair of rolled up jeans and a man's flannel shirt. She is typing on an old Smith-Corona typewriter, her bare feet curled around the rungs of a wooden chair, her long hair back in a ponytail. I took one look at that picture and learned what it was I wanted to be when I grew up. I'm not certain I ever achieved Metalious' writing ability, but over the years I've certainly got the wardrobe down pat.

The summer before 10<sup>th</sup> grade, I learned to kiss. I also learned, from watching "Splendor In The Grass" (Harrisville was a little late in catching up with books and movies in those days), that it was cool, after kissing, to tilt one's head back, close one's eyes and make a little whiney noise in one's throat.



I also learned that if one did this, after maybe the second or third time, the boy on the other end of your lips was apt to tilt his head back and ask if there was any chance you were going to throw up. Not a bad thing to know.

All of that set aside, I learned some more important things, too, over those incredibly endless summers. That if I had to, I could feed myself, if not very well. That watching over a two-year-old takes a combination of creativity and responsibility. That I could learn something (be it swimming underwater or kissing) by virtue of devoted practice. To never draw to an inside straight with a raving madman at your gate. (That would be the poker lesson). While I can kiss your socks off, I eventually learned to be somewhat more selective about just whom I was kissing. And, of course summer after summer I learned and relearned the simple joy a good book can provide.

And some other important things, too. How to be with myself, all alone. That it was better to get the chores done first and have the rest of the day without them hanging over you. And that sometimes, it's just good to have nothing to do.

We had time, then, to just think. To dream. To stare vacantly up at the clouds passing by and grow -- summer by summer and day by day -- an imagination, creativity, and slowly, slowly, a sense of self-reliance.

I'll admit that, without signing-you-up-for things kind of parents, I never did learn to tap dance. But then, in all my life, no one's ever asked me to, either. And after hitting myself on the head **Continued on page 16** 



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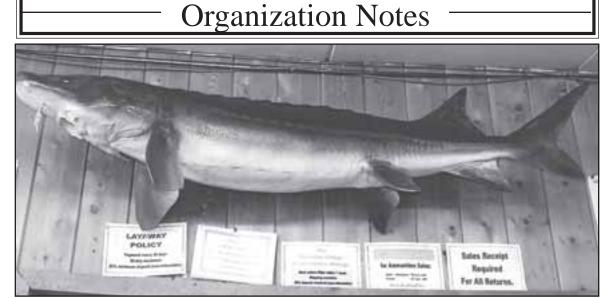
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This large, mounted lake sturgeon will be on display at Historical Day on Saturday, Aug. 14 at Sturgeon Point Lighthouse. According to Alcona Historical Society President Linda Klemens, "many people in the area have never seen this giant prehistoric fish and they can stand next to the fish and take a picture if they wish." She explained the mounted specimen is on loan from the Sturgeon for Tomorrow group from Black Lake, Mich. "We are going to form a partnership with them and hope to one day have an aquarium at Sturgeon Point to show this remarkable bottom feeder that caused so much trouble with fishermen's nets at the point and Black River that they were clubbed and stacked like cordwood along the shoreline to rot. Reaching lengths of 7 feet and weights of 70-100 pounds, these extremely strong swimmers crowded the mouth of the river and congregated along Sturgeon Point causing havoc. They were considered garbage fish and of no worth so their numbers were decimated and the species almost disappeared." Klemens said the hatchery at Black Lake, near Onaway raises the fish from minnow size to fingerlings and they are then counted as they are released through the Black River into Black Lake. This program has been so successful in increasing numbers of Sturgeon in Black Lake that a limited fishing season allows fishermen to spear the fish once they reach a certain size. For more information about Sturgeon for Tomorrow, call Brenda Archambo at (231) 625-2776. Courtesy photo.

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approximately 9,312 times a spinning baton into the air one summer, I learned that I could teach myself to throw

and catch it on the way down. Which may explain a lot.

by Dave T. Phipps

## Just Like Cats & Dogs

LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT. YOU'VE NEVER HAD A DISAGREEMENT WITH YOUR WIFE ... I DON'T KNOW WEATHER TO PAT YOU ON THE BACK OR PUNCH YOU IN THE FACE.



When it comes to the "Are our kids too busy?" argument, I'd be inclined to vote yes. Everybody needs some vacant time -- to fill the well and grow the mind. By the way, should you adopt that theory, don't worry if your kid spends an entire summer living on garlic bread. They'll give it up the summer they discover kissing, I promise

(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 27 years. A Voices of Michigan 2002 author, she has published fiction, nonfiction and poetry in several venues. She and her husband, Art, live in Harrisville. The couple has one daughter, Katrina - "the Princess," two dogs, Lady and Henry, and grand-dog, Bastian, all of whom are frequent victims of her column.)





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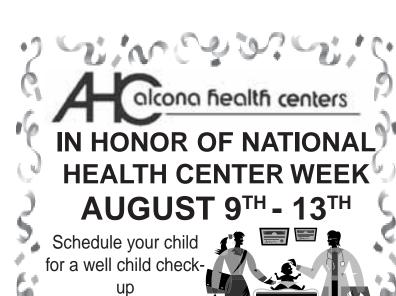
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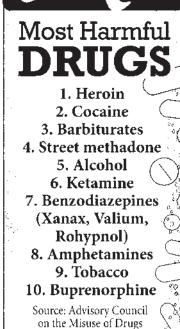
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great thing about these potatoes is that they have a light skin, so you don't have to peel them."

I was still curious as to how a shape like this happens and researched it a bit online. Apparently, a vegetable will take an unusual shape due to environmental conditions. Damage or soil conditions on one part of the vegetable can cause the growth to slow in that area while the rest grows at a normal rate. In the case of spud Mickey, it appears to me that three potatoes fused together while growing, a little like Siamese triplets.

Unusual shapes can also be forced on vegetables – In Japan farmers are growing square watermelons in glass boxes. The melons take the shape of the container which makes stacking and cutting the fruit much easier. I read they are selling for about \$25 a melon. For that price I'll put up with the inconvenient rounder shape.

This tater was unique, and as I passed it around the table, everyone at the Review did smile while looking at it. Like fluffy clouds in the sky, they all saw something a little different, Eileen Roe thought it looked a little like Shrek, but I liked John Boufford's answer the best: "It looks like fries to me" – and so it shall be, someday.

Thank you Alcona Farmers Market farmers for bringing such goodness to our community.

If you haven't been to the market, make it a point to

stop by. The market is in Harrisville at the MSU Extension Office, one eighth of a mile south of the light on US-23. The market is open on Wednesday's from 3 to 6 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

I just might make it mandatory for the next round of visiting wayward relatives to attend the market on Saturday mornings to pick out their own breakfast....maybe they could even cook it themselves too!

(Mary Weber, born and raised in the suburbs of Detroit, moved to Alcona County in 2005 with her husband, Willy when he retired. Life in the north woods, away from city life, presents new experiences with nature on a daily basis...and they love every minute of it!)



Karen P. Johnson of Mikado took this photograph of a bald eagle cruising over the AuSable River a few weeks ago. It had a bird's eye view of the annual canoe marathon.

# Announces the Publication of ... A Pictorial History Book of Alcona County Vol. III

We are accepting photos from our readers. If you have old photos (Before 1970) of people, places or things pertaining to Alcona County please bring them to the Review at 111 Lake St., Harrisville We are especially interested in men and women in uniform and area baseball teams.

All photographs will be returned. If you do not wish to leave your photos with us, please call 989-724-6384 to make an appointment, so we can scan them while you wait.



Recalling Alcona County's heritage, this publication will feature hundreds of photographs. This treasure chest of memories will include photos of Alcona County, giving readers a glimpse of life years ago. This book will be edited locally by the staff of the Alcona County Review and bound with an attractive durable cover. Work on this pictorial history is beginning at this time. Book is scheduled to be published in the spring of 2011.

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DNRE Fisheries Division Crews were on the Kalamazoo River as soon as the EPA allowed them to begin sampling for fish kills and rescuing oiled creatures. *Photos by David Kenyon, Michigan DNRE.* 





A great blue heron, covered with oil, seeks refuge in the tall vegetation along the Kalamazoo River.

Plainwell, Mich. office, went to the scene of the spill immediately to assess the damage.

"Early in the week I was looking at the oil on the habitat," said Lerg, a 40-year DNRE veteran. "Later in the week I was working with a team trying to capture birds and transport them to rehabilitation facilities.

"Now I'm imbedded on a fisheries team looking for anything you might see at near-shore environments."

Lerg, who was on Morrow Pond (where the oil spill seemed to have been contained) a week after the spill began, said the wildlife he saw on the pond – ranging from turtles to great blue herons — looked to be healthy."

"I've been investigating reports of oiled birds downstream from here and from what I can tell, the reports are true," he said. "These birds are able to fly and are able to cover 10 or 20 miles. We don't see many birds that can not fly."

Lerg said many of the Canada geese that are covered with oil are clustering at locations where there are other birds.

"They're pulling up on mowed grass areas and staying out of the water," Lerg said. "There may be 100 geese and maybe 15 to 20 of them are oiled."

Lerg said workers have taken a number of creatures — Canada geese, mallard ducks, a great blue heron, a kingfisher, muskrats, a mute swan – to the rehabilitation center. And though he's not seen a lot of mortality – other than muskrats, he's not sure wildlife is out of the woods yet.

"I'm very concerned about the amount of oil in the habitat near the spill sight," he said. "I'm afraid the oil is going to not only impact wildlife directly but also impact it indirectly by affecting the wetland vegetation and aquatic vegetation and degrading the wildlife habitat." (Editor's Note: This feature story was provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment as an aspect of "Showcasing the DNRE" program, which promotes the importance of conservation in Michigan.)



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Check out the Alcona Review Web Site www.alconareview.com For events, local info & much more!

# Calendar of Events

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Trinity Lutheran Church will hold services in Millen Park at 11:15 a.m. A picnic will be held after services. Everyone is invited.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 16** All ladies are invited to play bunco, an easy to learn game, at the Greenbush Township Hall at 2:30 p.m. First-timers are always welcome. Questions, call (989) 739-7029.

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

State Senator Tony Stamas will be available from 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the jury room of the Harrisville Courthouse to hear opinions, concerns and requests from Alcona County residents.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 17** The program "Digital Scavenger Hunt" will be presented at 1 p.m. for children at Lumberman's Monument. Cameras will be supplied. The monument is located in Iosco County at the junction of Monument and River roads. For more information, call the visitor center at (989) 362-8961.

Kids are invited to the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 3 to 4:30 p.m. to play games on the library's Wii system. Call (989) 736-3388 for more information.

The Alcona Book Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 1 p.m. The selection for August is "Fieldwork" by Mischa Berlinski. This meeting is also the end of summer reading salad and potluck.

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

An art workshop for teenagers will be presented by Patt Bacon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 1 to 3 p.m. This is a free program sponsored in part by the Harrisville Arts Council for young adults ages 11 to 19. Call (989) 724-6796 at the Ossineke Eagles for members and guests from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$9. Proceeds benefit the Yellow Brick Road Project to furnish a child friendly room for the evaluation of abused or suspected abuse of children. The room will be located at the Alcona Heath Center in Lincoln and will be used by Alcona, Alpena and Iosco counties.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 19** Falconer Jenny Schroeder will present "Birds of Prey" at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. The American History Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 6:30 to 8 p.m. For more information, call (989) 727-2641.

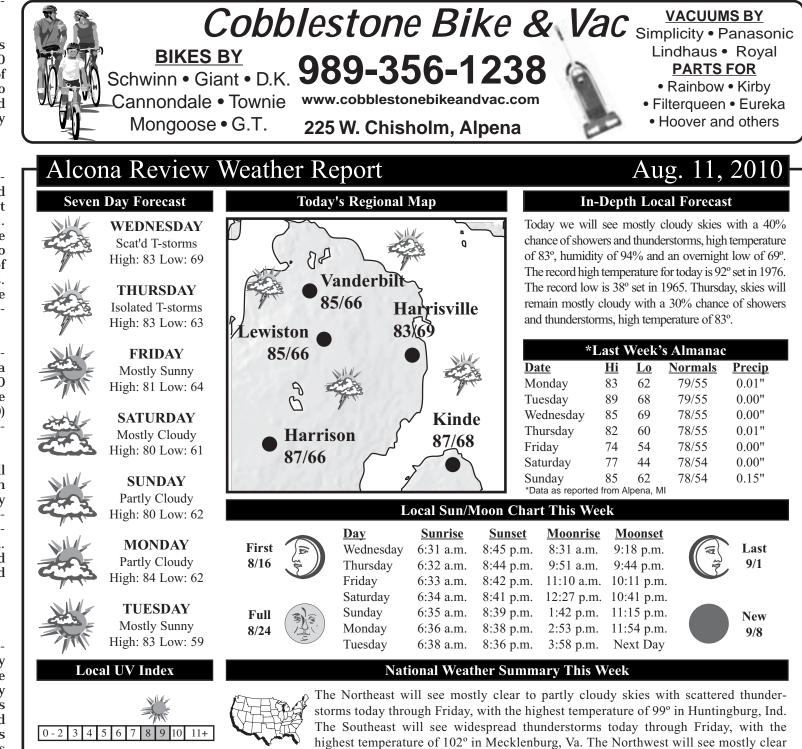
The Community Walking Club begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Everyone is welcome, walk at your own pace.

Tops No. MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-4483.

The Alpena Regional Medical Center will host a medically based Safe Sitter class for teenagers aged 11 to 13 today through August 21. Today and tomorrow class is from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. and on Saturday class is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Class size is limited so registration is taken on a first come, first served basis. Registration fee is \$75. To receive registration material, call (989) 356-7337. The Alcona Women's Pool League will hold its organizational meeting at the Back Alley Bar located in the bowling alley in Harrisville at 7:30 p.m. All teams in the league must have a representative present to be placed on the schedule. New teams are welcome. Questions, call (989) 736-8869.

#### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 20**

The Twin Lakes Masonic Temple, 316 Traverse Bay State Road, Lincoln will serve a Swiss steak dinner from 4:30 to 7 p.m. or until steak is sold out. Cost is \$9 for adults and \$4.50 for children under 12.



to partly cloudy skies with isolated thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature

to register.

An American Red Cross blood drive will take place at the senior center in Lincoln from noon to 5:45 p.m. Visit www.RedCrossBlood.org for more information and age/ height/weight requirements.

A computer class involving picture resizing will be offered at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 9:15 to 10 a.m. Call (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

Master gardeners will be available to answer gardening and horticulture questions from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the MSUE office on US-23 in Harrisville or over the phone by calling (989) 724-6478.

A Polish dinner will be held

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of 97° in Torrington, Wyo. The Southwest will see isolated thunderstorms today, mostly clear skies Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 110° in Gila Bend, Ariz.

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#### StarWatch By Gary Becker - Perseids Always Please

Late summer is typically known as the time to see meteors, and August's Perseid Meteor Shower, which never seems to disappoint, is scheduled for its next major debut on the mornings of Thursday, August 12 and Friday the 13. The nighttime temperatures will be tolerable; it's vacation time, and unlike last year when the bright gibbous moon hid many of the fainter meteors, it will not even be a consideration in 2010. An extremely thin crescent moon sets about 8:45 p.m. on August 11 and 9:15 p.m. on the 12, several hours before serious observations should commence. If you've never witnessed a meteor shower like the Perseids, then you are in for a real treat. It is analogous to fireworks, only of the celestial variety. Streaks of light caused by the dross from a comet's tail will dash across the inky sky, with an occasional brilliant fireball burning its impressions into your mind as well as on your retina. As quickly as they are there, making the air glow, 70 miles or so above the Earth's surface, they are gone. A night with Perseid meteors is always a night well spent; but don't forget to dress warmly, snuggle within the confines of a light sleeping bag, carry a thermos with a caffeinated warm drink, and place plastic ground tarps under and over your sleeping gear to keep it safe from the dew. If you start observing around midnight, face northeast and view overhead, usually the darkest part of the sky. Perseid meteors will appear to fan away from an area of the sky near the border between Perseus and Cassiopeia. Many Perseids leave residual wakes and trains of glowing air after the initial meteor phenomenon ends, some persisting for as long as 10 to 20 seconds or more. The farther away you are from the detriments of light pollution, the more meteors you will see, but 30 to 60 meteors per hour from a rural locale represent realistic rates. Much success! www.astronomy.org

#### **TRIVIA TEST** ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Arkansas?

2. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "Captains Courageous"?

3. MOVIES: Who plays the title character in "Nanny McPhee"?

**4. ANATOMY:** The temporal bone would be found in what part of the human body?

5. MEASUREMENTS: How long is a cubit?

6. ASTRONOMY: Which planet in our solar system is closest in size to Earth? 7. MUSIC: What is a doxology?

8. INVENTIONS: Who invented Velcro?

9. LANGUAGE: What does the phrase "a skeleton in the closet" mean? **10. ADVERTISEMENTS:** What kind of product did the animated character

Toucan Sam sell?

Answers: 1. Little Rock; 2. Rudyard Kipling; 3. Emma Thompson; 4. The skull; 5. The length of a forearm; 6. Venus; 7. Hymn of praise; 8. George de Mestral; 9. A scandal that is kept secret; 10. Kellogg's Froot Loops. (c) 2010 King Features Synd.,

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#### STRANGE BUT TRUE **By Samantha Weaver**

• It was American drama critic and author John Mason Brown who made the following sage observation: "Reasoning with a child is fine if you can reach the child's reason without destroying your own."

• The first Wal-Mart was located in the town of Rogers, Ark. When it opened in 1962, it had a total of 16,000 square feet of space. Today, there are Wal-Mart Supercenters all over the United States, and they measure at least 100,000 square feet and can range up to 220,000 square feet.

• The original Maytag company was known for making horse-drawn buggies rather than appliances.

 The word "pretzel" comes from the Latin word for "little reward.'

• Researchers at Johns Hopkins University and the University of Pennsylvania conducted a joint study on Americans' weight. They concluded that if current trends continue, 86 percent of adults in this country will be obese by 2030.

• Before H. Ross Perot became a successful businessman – and had a brief, somewhat less successful career as a politician — he broke horses for a living.

 Statistics show that three out of four married women over the age of 50 are on their second marriage. In the same age range, five out of six men are in the same marital situation.

 Fireflies start to glow in order to attract a mate, and they die soon after finding one.

 Experienced boot makers reportedly can get three pairs of the footwear out of a single ostrich hide.

• When you sneeze, the air leaves your mouth at approximately 100 mph.

Thought for the Day: "Anybody who has listened to certain kinds of music, or read certain kinds of poetry, or heard certain kinds of performances on the concertina, will admit that even suicide has its brighter aspects." – Stephen Leacock

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#### **MOMENTS IN TIME** The History Channel

• On Aug. 24, 1814, during the War of 1812 between the United States and England, British troops enter Washington, D.C., and burn the White House in retaliation for an American attack two years earlier on the city of York in Ontario, Canada.

• On Aug. 27, 1883, the most powerful volcanic eruption in recorded history occurs on Krakatau, an uninhabited volcanic island located west of Sumatra in Indonesia. Heard 3,000 miles away, the explosions threw 5 cubic miles of earth 50 miles into the air, created 120-foot tsunamis and killed 36,000 people.

• On Aug. 23, 1902, pioneering cookbook author Fannie Farmer, who changed the way Americans prepare food by advocating the use of standardized measurements in recipes, opens Miss Farmer's School of Cookery in Boston. Farmer later educated medical professionals about the importance of proper nutrition for the sick.

• On Aug. 25, 1939, "The Wizard of Oz," which will become one of the best-loved movies in history, opens in theaters. Though the scenes in Kansas were shot in traditional black and white, Oz appears in vivid Technicolor, a relatively new film process at the time.

 On Aug. 29, 1945, President Harry Truman authorizes the Navy to seize control of and operate petroleum refineries to counteract strikes by oil workers. Oil, gas and chemical workers had worked hard during the war to meet production demands and now wanted to return to a 40-hour workweek. They resented the amount of money oil-industry CEOs were making off of their labor while they simultaneously threatened to lower workers' wages after the war.

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• On Aug. 28, 1988, an air show involving military jets at the Ramstein Air Base in Germany turns tragic when three jets collide in mid-air and fall into the crowd of 100,000 spectators. Sixty-nine people died and hundreds more were iniured.

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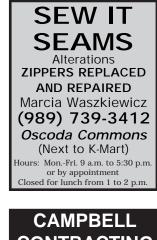
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Barton City Eagles 4141 and Auxiliary Bingo - Saturday night. All paper, Michigan Progressive, quickies 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m. No smoking room available.

Bingo - Every Wednesday in Mikado Civic Center. Early bird at 6:30 p.m., air conditioned. Mi-



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#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### Mortgage Sale

This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert A. Teefey II and Renee Ladrigue Teefey, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Independent Mortgage Co. Central Michigan, having its principal office at 4200 East Beltline, Grand Rapids, MI 49525, mortgagee, dated September 23, 2006 and recorded September 29, 2006 in Liber 435 of mortgages, page 795. By reason of such default the undersigned elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of said mortgage due and pavable forthwith.

At the date of this notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on said mortgage the sum of twenty two thousand seven hundred eighty eight and 78/100 (\$22,788.78) dollars, including interest at the rate of 8.625 percent per annum. No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided and to pay said amount with interest as provided in said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including attorney fees allowed by law, said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder at the west entrance of the courthouse, 106 5th Street, the place of holding the Circuit Court within the county of Alcona, City of Harrisville, Michigan, on September 1, 2010, at 10 a.m., local time.

Pursuant to Public Act No. 104, Public Acts of 1971 [MCLA 600.3240(12), MSA 27A.3240(12)] the redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined to be abandoned under MCLA 600.3241a; MSA 27A.3241(1), in which case the property may be redeemed during the 30 days immediately following the sale or expiration of statutory notice period.

The premises covered by said mortgage are situated in the township of Mikado, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, described as follows, to wit:

Parcel 7: Commencing at the northeast corner of Section 23, Town 25 North, Range 8 East, Mikado Township, Alcona County, Michigan; thence north 86 degrees 10'57" west along the north line of said Section 649.02 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 03 degrees 14'31" west 441.51 feet; thence along the centerline of a 66 foot wide road easement (Deerfield Trail) in the following two courses; North 80 degrees 35'55" west 410.72 feet and south 76 degrees 47'13" west 567.65 feet; thence north 03 degrees 14'31" east 567.81 feet; thence south 86 degrees 10'57" east along the north line of said Section 952.80 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel being a part of the north 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section having and granting rights for ingress and egress over a 66 foot wide easement described under road easement following. Also having rights for Pine River access described under walking easement following.

Road Easement: A 66 foot wide road easement (Deerfield Trail) for ingress and egress and for public utilities, together with the right to trim and remove trees as necessary for the construction and maintenance of said facilities, the centerline of which is described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of Section 23, Town 25 North, Range 8 East, Mikado Township, Alcona County, Michigan; thence south 02 degrees 34'00" west along the east line of said section 786.29 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 87 degrees 26'00" west 279.49 feet: thence north 36 degrees 30'24" west 448.18 feet; thence north 80 degrees 35'55" west 503.46 feet; thence south 76 degrees 47'13" west 908.43 feet; thence north 86 degrees 22'06" west 652.76 feet to a point on the north-south 1/4 line of said Section 23 which is the point of termination. Walking easement: An easement to provide walking ingress and egress to the Pine River described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of Section 23, Town 25 North, Range 8 East, Mikado Township, Alcona County, Michigan; thence north 86 degrees 10'57" west along the north line of said Section 1601.82 feet; thence south 03 degrees 14'31" west 567.81 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 76 degrees 47'13" east along the centerline of a 66 foot wide road easement (Deerfield Trail) 31.28 feet; thence south 03 degrees 14'31" west 570.67 feet; thence south 86 degrees 45'29" east 30.00 feet; thence south 03 degrees 14'31' west 60.00 feet; thence north 86 degrees 45'29" west 30 feet; thence south 03 degrees 14'31" west 143.62 feet; thence north 86 degrees 33'13" west along the south line of the north 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section 30.00 feet: thence north 03 degrees 14'31" east 621.81 feet to the point of beginning.

Independent Mortgage Co. Central Michigan, a Michigan banking corporation, mortgagee Schenk, Boncher & Rypma Gary P. Schenk P19970 601 Three Mile Road, N.W.

601 Three Mile Road, N.W. Grand Rapids, MI 49544-1601 (616) 647-8277 7-28 8-4 8-11 8-18

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#### Foreclosure Notice (All Counties)

As a debt collector we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify (248) 362-6100 if you are in active military duty.

Mortgage sale - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Albert Menter, a single man of Alcona County, Michigan, mortgagor to PNC Bank, N.A., successor by merger to National City Bank dated the 16th day of February, A.D. 2001, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 13th day of March, A.D. 2001, in Liber 347, page 638 of Alcona records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$9.026.52 (nine thousand twenty-six and 52/100) plus accrued interest at 6.00 (six point zero zero) percent per annum.

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas C. Daniel, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, mortgagee, dated March 25, 2006 and recorded March 29, 2006 in Liber 429, page 209, Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by CitiMortgage, Inc. by assignment.

There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty-one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight and 60/100 dollars (\$41,978.60) including interest at 7.25 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said

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Middleton, a single woman A/K/A Annette

Marie Middleton A/K/A Annette Middleton

of Alcona County, Michigan, mortgagor

to Independent Mortgage Company, for-

merly known as Independent Mortgage

Company Central Michigan dated the

23rd day of April, A.D. 2003, and re-

corded in the office of the register of

deeds, for the county of Alcona and state

of Michigan, on the 6th day of May, A.D.

2003, in Liber 381, page 1,433 of Alcona

military duty.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statue of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 25th day of August, A.D., 2010, at 10 a.m. said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Mich., Alcona County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the township of Greenbush, in the county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the township of Greenbush. county of Alcona and state of Michigan: Parcel 1: West half of the west half of the west half of southeast quarter of Section

mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville in Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on September 1, 2010.

Said premises are located in the township of Millen, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel B: Beginning at the south quarter corner of Section 2, Township 26 North, Range 6 East, thence south 89 degrees 32 minutes 57 seconds west along the south line of said section 660.00 feet; thence north 00 degrees 05 minutes 02 seconds east 330.00 feet; thence north 89 degrees 32 minutes 57 seconds east 660.00 feet; thence south 00 degrees 05 minutes 02 seconds west along the north and south quarter line of said section and the centerline of Kohler Road, 330.00 feet to the point of beginning, said parcel being a part of the southeast quarter southwest quarter of said Section 2.

the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statue of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 1st day of September, A.D., 2010, at 10 a.m. said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Mich., Alcona County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the township of Curtis, in the county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan: Parcel 1: Lots 6, 7 and 8 of Hunters Lake Subdivision No. 2,

excepting there from the south 1,995.0 feet. According to survey recorded in Liber 164 of deeds, pages 735-6, Alcona County records. Commonly known as: 3762 East F-30. Tax Parcel No.: 040-005-400-025-00. The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: July 28, 2010 Weltman, Weinberg & Reisco., L.P.A. By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938) Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48084 WWR No. 10041286 7-28 8-4 8-11 8-18

5, Township 25 North, Range 9 East,

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: August 4, 2010 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 502-1400 File No. 671.0012 ASAP# 3678546 8-4, 8-11, 8-18, 8-25

thereof. Also a triangular parcel beginning at the southeast corner of Lot 15 of said Hunters Lake Heights No. 2; thence southwest to northeast corner of Lot 26; thence northwest 180 feet to the northwest corner of Lot 24; thence east 200 feet to point of beginning being part of Section 16, Town 25 North, Range 6 East, Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan. Commonly known as: 4601 Ottawa Street; Parcel number 032-161-000-006-00.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: August 4, 2010

Weltman, Weinberg & Reis, L.P.A. By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)

collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald R. Wright and Tarrie Lynn Wright, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, mortgagee, dated March 28, 2007 and recorded April 23, 2007 in Liber 441, Page 244, Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by GMAC Mortgage by assignment.

There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ninety-one thousand nine hundred and 33/100 dollars (\$91,900.33) including interest at 6.5 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mort gage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville in Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on September 8, 2010. Said Mitchell, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the southwest corner of said Section 15, Town 27 North, Range 5 East; thence north 417 feet; thence east 171 feet; thence south 417 feet; thence west 171 feet to the point of beginning, except the south 180 feet thereof. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: August 11, 2010 Orlans Associates. P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 502-1400 File No. 280.9795 ASAP No. 3684228 8-11, 8-18, 8-25, 9-1

County records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$30,402.02 (thirty thousand four hundred two and 02/100) plus accrued interest at 6.500 percent (six point five zero) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover

#### Notice of Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Allen W. Paulk to H.P.C. Credit Union, whose address is 1234 West Chisholm Street, Alpena, Mich. 49707.

The mortgage is dated September 1, 2006 and recorded in Alcona County records on September 5, 2006 at Liber 434, page 1,029. There is claimed to be due on the mortgage at the date of this notice, for principal, interest, and other items paid as allowed by the mortgage, the sum of seventy-nine thousand six hundred ninety-four and 37/100 dollars (\$79,694.37) and no proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt secured thereby. The power of sale contained in the mortgage has now become operative.

Notice is hereby given that, by virtue of

Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan., according to the recorded plat thereof.

Parcel 2: Lots No. 15, 16,17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26 of Hunters Lake Heights No. 2, Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat

the power of sale contained in the mortgage and pursuant to the applicable foreclosure statute, the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property described below at public auction to the highest bidder at the Alcona County Courthouse located at 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at 10 a.m. The property will be sold to pay the amount due on the mortgage with 6.3 percent interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes and insurance that the mortgagee pays on or before the date of sale. The property described in the mortgage and subject to sale is as follows: Part of the southwest guarter of the southeast guarter of Section 22, Town 28 North, Range 9 East, described as: Commencing at the southeast corner of said southwest quarter of the southeast

Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48084 WWR No. 10040337 8-4, 8-11, 8-18, 8-25

quarter; thence west 295 feet; thence north 295 feet; thence east 295 feet; thence south 295 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right of way purposes.

The period of redemption will be six months from the date of sale, unless abandoned as defined by MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale.

Dated: July 27, 2010 H.P.C. Credit Union Mortgagee Daniel W. White Attorney for Mortgagee 313 North Second Avenue Alpena, MI 49707 (989) 354-4104 8-4, 8-11, 8-18, 8-25, 9-1

# **CLASSIFIEDS**

#### VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, August 2 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Those in attendance included: President Jordan, treasurer Kossa, clerk Somers, deputy clerk/ treasurer Stutzman and council members Gauthier, Kennard, Lask, Naylor, Somers and Stutzman. Also present were several guests and attorney Cook. The minutes of the July meeting were approved on a motion from Gauthier with support from Somers. The treasurer's report was approved subject to audit on a motion from Gauthier with support from Stutzman.

President Jordan cited village resident Joan Gonyea for her dedication to the community by presenting her with a plaque to honor her efforts. A packed hall offered their congratulations to Joan as the first recipient of the Citizen of the Year. Thanks Joan for all of your hard work! Joan has held many positions including being on the village council, Downtown Development Authority board, planning and zoning committee, the Brownlee Lake Association and several others. Joan told those present that she loves this community and over the years even when she was away, she always knew that she would come back here to reside. Many in attendance offered their thanks for her cheerleading efforts in keeping a positive attitude and encouraging everyone in their endeavors. Thanks again, Joan.

President Jordan addressed a situation that occurred at the restrooms at the playground. The grandparents addressed the council members and stated that they are extremely heartbroken and offered their apologies. The grandparents believe that this may be the help that is needed to get their grandson on the right track. Currently the boys are moving through the juvenile court system. President Jordan stated that we have to prosecute the individuals involved and that a message needs to be sent out that this type of behavior will not be tolerated. The bathrooms will be kept closed except for special events. In public comment time, Kathy Putsky addressed the board regarding a home on Barlow Road that is in need of grass being cut. President Jordan will look into it. Sue Kennard reminded everyone about the boat parade that will be held on Saturday evening on Brownlee Lake. Bill Putsky asked about the ORV signs that are along Barlow Road. President Jordan stated that the signs should reflect that ORV traffic is prohibited in selected areas.

Pat Nelson asked about getting a ball diamond up and running again for little league players. He stated that they have been playing in Harrisville and would like to play here again. He stated that they would like to renovate the current field and eventually they would have two fields by utilizing the current skating rink also. Pat stated that they would like to get involved in tournaments eventually. He stated that there is a lot of support and volunteers that will work on the upkeep. President Jordan stated that once this begins we need to stay on track and finish the project. Council members offered their unanimous support. President Jordan stated that Dick Somers has done a wonderful job preparing the fields for tournament play this year. He received rave reviews from players that used the field for those tournaments. Dick stated that he would like to see softball fields put in also. President Jordan updated those in attendance about the Streetscape Project along Second Street and the demolition project that is upcoming. He said since time is now an issue they anticipate moving overhead wires and poles behind buildings and removing the blighted buildings yet this year. The actual removal of the roadway and beautification project will take place in early spring. By July of 2011 it should be finished and the next phase of the street grant should be moving forward to begin work on Traverse Bay Street Road. Stutzman asked about having some roadwork done along Church Street by the credit union. Dick will take care of it. Gauthier asked about having the grass cut along Main Street. Jordan will make sure it is taken care of. Kennard stated

that the new bulletin board is nearly completed downtown. Thanks to Tony Diciccio and Ron Kennard for their work on it. Kennard stated that the boat launch grant application for funds may have to be placed on hold so it can be reworked. He suggested placing a request for funds into the budget meeting for next year.

Dick asked about having a property owner on Second Street contacted about cutting his grass. Jordan will take care of it. Lask asked about putting a sign at the beach to inform people that no dogs are allowed. Jordan stated that there is also an issue with people bringing alcohol to the area. He asked council members to be vigilant in looking after the beach area and concerns that arise there.

In new business Somers stated that the baseball tournament will be held August 20-22. Gauthier asked about the docks at the Brownlee Lake beach. She stated that she has checked into the large trampoline type dock system that is being used in an area campground. Jordan stated that he believed that it would be destroyed quickly and would not be worth the risk. President Jordan talked with a marina owner who suggested using a pontoon for a dock system.

President Jordan gave his report. The letters of thanks have been sent by Mary for participants in the Memorial Day festivities and also to Larry Rogenbuck of the MEDC for his help in grant funding work. He is currently working on several more. A letter was read from Huron Pines about removing invasive phragmites from Lincoln Lake. The group plans to meet on Saturday, August 21 from 9 a.m. to noon. Anyone interested may call for further details. Kennard gave an update on the grant for the Brownlee Lake cleanup project. They are in the final phases and he said the group is awaiting the release of funds from Washington. He stated that there is still a need for funds to complete the project. He is currently awaiting news from the groups CPA about what exactly is needed.

President Jordan talked about the recent sewer meeting between the DDA and representatives from the council. A meeting will be held next month and then the group will work with the attorney to see what can be done to bring about the necessary changes.

Last year we addressed the possibility of having a bio diesel plant in the village. Since that time all of those plants have closed in the state. President Jordan stated that he recently attended a meeting about a Cellulose Ethanol Plant by a group named KL Energy. There are plans to build two in the northern Michigan area. He stated that they are very committed to putting a plant here and also in McBain. A resolution needs to be made changing the feasibility study that was granted for the bio diesel plant and instead having the study done for a cellulose ethanol plant. A motion was made by Kennard to change the Bio Diesel Plant feasibility study grant to KL Energy Cellulose Ethanol Plant. Roll vote: Gauthier, aye; Kennard, aye; Lask aye; Naylor aye; Somers aye; Stutzman aye. All ayes, resolution passed.

President Jordan thanked Dave Cook,

Consultant	\$	21,600.00
Demolition Proj.	\$	70,000.00
Economic Dev.	\$	10,000.00
Financial Audits	\$	2,600.00
Fire Dept. Equip.	\$	1,675.00
CE Grant	\$	6,000.00
_egal Fees	\$	500.00
Nember per diem	\$	3,500.00
Sewer Fees	\$	2,708.00
Streetscape	\$	145,000.00
√illage Adm. Fees	\$	20,000.00
√illage Equip.Rep.	\$	5,000.00
Web Site	\$	1,000.00
Subtotal	<u>\$2</u>	<u>297,783.00</u>
Passthrough Reimbursem	ner	its
Hunt Program	\$	1,417.00
EMS	\$	9,436.00
Comm. On Aging	\$	
_ibrary	\$	,
Subtotal	\$	20,180.00
Total Expense		817,963.00
Fund Balance	\$	22,454.46

Kennard stated that he would like to have it noted that the village has not had to borrow any money or go for public bonds to finance any of our projects. A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Gauthier with support from Somers. Motion Carried. A motion to adjourn was made by Gauthier with support from Stutzman. Motion carried.

> Linda K. Somers Village Clerk

#### LEGAL NOTICES

State of Michigan **Judicial District** 23rd Judicial Circuit **County Probate** Order Regarding Alternate Service Case No. 10-1513-CK

Court address: 106 5th Street, Harrisville, MI 48740

Court telephone no.: (989) 724-9410 Plaintiff : Tamara Basner c/o Mark E. Boegehold, Esq. Mark E. Boegehold P38699 155 W. Congress, Suite 350 Detroit, MI 48226 (313) 961-0425

Defendant: Tanya Hutchinson 2481 N. Barlow Road Lincoln, MI 48742 The court finds

1. Service of process upon the defendant, Tonya Hutchinson cannot reasonably be made as provided and service of process may be made in a manner that is reasonably calculated to give the defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard. It is ordered:

2. Service of the summons and complaint and a copy of this order shall be made by the following method(s). First-class mail to last known address. Tacking or firmly affixing to the door at last known address.

Publish three (3) consecutive weeks in Alcona County newspaper. Date: July 21, 2010

8-11, 8-18, 8-25

State of Michigan Probate Court ounty

# **FDIC's consumer** newsletter available

#### **DOLLARS AND SENSE BY David Uffington**

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation puts out a free quarterly newsletter for consumers. The latest edition includes:

-An overview of consumer protections on credit cards. The article lists eight pitfalls to avoid, including keeping an eye on your credit limit, periodically using all your credit cards (only keeping the ones you really need) and staying vigilant about your interest rate when it comes to fixed versus variable-rate cards. In addition to the new changes to credit-card fees, the Federal Reserve Board is considering a new rule that would ban card issuers from charging penalty fees in excess of the amount in question on a consumer's bill. This would include over-the-limit fees and late-payment fees. Keep an eye on this one as final decision is to be made near the end of August 2010. h k С е С www.federalreserve.gov for updated information.

-The risks and costs of borrowing with a reverse mortgage. Aimed at seniors, this article covers the many potential pitfalls of taking out a reverse mortgage. One point the article makes is that not all reverse mortgages have the protection of the government.

-Questions to ask when brokers or agents make deposits for you. If you have a brokerage account, a broker

there may make a deposit for you or purchase a Certificate of Deposit in your name. The concern is whether the money is going into an account at a financial institution protected by the FDIC. Another concern is about protection of your existing funds. If, for example, your money is put into a bank where you already have funds and that new amount takes your balance over the protected limit, you won't be completely covered. The reason: The new amount is added to your existing balance.

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# **Rules loosened** for PTSD claims

#### VETERANS POST **by Freddy Groves**

A lot of veterans have been waiting for this: eased restrictions on filing a claim for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

Until now, a veteran not only had to prove that he (or she) was in a hostile location, but had to wait until records were dug up and stories corroborated about what happened when. Too many times those records were destroyed or couldn't be found. Or a veteran's particular role didn't seem to lend itself to being in a stressful situation, although he actually was in the thick of things. Now we see an easing of the rules that have kept far too many veterans from getting the care and benefits they deserve.

claimed: and the stress must be consistent with where the veteran served, and when.

This means that a veteran doesn't necessarily have to have been 3 feet away from an explosion to claim PTSD. It's the fear that can come from being in a hostile area that seems (finally) to be taken into consideration here. Let's say a veteran was a cook or a nurse who was in an area where there hostile military action that could (and did) break out at any moment that veteran's stress will be judged as valid. Fear of death is a very real stress that they're now recognizing. Veterans can file claims for service from any war. If you haven't filed, do. If you filed and were turned down prior to July 13, 2010, file again.

village attorney, for all his hard work and dedication in keeping us on track. Thanks Dave.

The budget for the DDA was presented to council members for approval. A motion was made by Gauthier to approve the DDA budget, Kennard offered support. Motion carried. The budget follows: DDA Budget 2010-2011

300.00

1,417.00

9,436.00

4,795.00

4,532.00

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#### Income

\$200,000.00 Est. Bal. 2009-2010 Interest S \$ 40,629.00 **TIFFA Alcona County** TIFFA Gustin Twp. \$ 6,670.46 TIFFA Village/Lincoln \$ 72.638.00 \$120,237.46 Subtotal TIFFA Passthrough HUNT Program \$ \$ Comm. On Aging \$ Library \$ Subtotal <u>\$ 20,180.00</u> **Total Income** \$340,417.46

#### Expense

EMS

Activity Committee Car Show Administrative **Beautification** 

#### Notice to Creditors **Decedent's Estate** File No. 10-4868-DE

Estate of Linda F. Wendt Date of birth: June 14, 1952 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Linda F. Wendt, who lived at 607 E. Miller Rd. Hawes Twp., Michigan died March 18, 2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to April L. Brown, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at P.O. Box 328 Harrisville, MI 48740 and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: August 9, 2010 Kevin M. Check P.C. P39943 29777 Telegraph Rd. Ste. 2500 Southfield, MI 48034 (248) 355-3550 April L. Brown 28936 Dawson Garden City, MI 48135 (313) 790-9245

The particulars:

The veteran must be diagnosed with PTSD by a psychiatrist either at the Department of Veterans Affairs or connected with the VA; the symptoms must be related to the stress that's being

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# Eighth annual sailing regatta raises funds for Sturgeon Point Lighthouse

Steadily increasing southern winds and a moderate light chop helped Scott Nolan of Huntington Woods, Mich. and his brother, Jeff, of New York, streak to the fastest ever finish in the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Alcona Historical Society Sailing Regatta on Saturday, August 7. They were racing on Scott's high performance, 16 foot Prindle catamaran.

raising more than \$17,000 rules to determine corrected since the races began. This year's race, though three boats smaller than the previous year when high winds and waves derailed eight of the 11 racers, saw donations totaling more than \$1,700 with more pledges still to collect that should bring the amount raised to more than

times and keep the race fair for the different styles and sizes of boats in the regatta.

Second place was captured by race co-founders, Bill and Karen Carlson of Harrisville and Eagle, Colo. in their 16 foot Wayfarer. The Carlson's Little Wing completed the course in (52:46) with a cor-



Sailboats at the starting line get ready to sail through Sanctuary Bay just north of Sturgeon Point Lighthouse. Courtesy photo.

The annual regatta raises money to support the Alcona Historical Society's work to preserve the 140 year old Sturgeon Point Lighthouse. The regatta is the main fundraiser for the lighthouse

\$2,000, according to Gordon Bennett, past president of the Alcona Historical Society.

In corrected time, the Nolan brothers finished almost an hour ahead of the rest of the eight boat fleet in actual sailing time completing the six mile race in just 37 minutes, 43 seconds (37:43), which was a record setting pace. Though third over the start line, the brothers gambled and pointed close to the wind and needed only one tack to round the first mark located just north of the lighthouse.

We had a lot of fun and we didn't make any mistakes," said Scott Nolan. The brothers had practiced the full week before the race. "We hit the buoys. We thought we lost one, and then we found it," Jeff Nolan said. "It was a

rected time of (57:36).

The Carlsons were also the hosts for the annual potluck picnic that followed the race.

Stan Dobry of Harrisville and Warren, Morris and novice sailor Brian Morris, of Harrisville and Fowlerville, Mich. placed third in Dobry's 16 foot CL with a sailing time of (55:45) and corrected time of (58:15).

Other finishes were as follows: Fourth place-Robert Nolan of Harrisville and Beaver Creek, Colo., finished on his Sunfish (58:12); sixth place-Jim Anderson of Harrisville and Dearborn, Mich. and Paul Sanders of Houghton, Mich. were last over the finish line on their 14 foot Pearl in (1:03:47) with a corrected time of (1:02:14); seventh place-Chuck Adams of Rochester Hills, Mich. and his son, John Adams, and nephew, Collin Rush of Northville, Mich. couldn't make up for a slow start on their 18 foot Hobie. Their sailing time was (53:09) with a corrected time of (1:14:26). Veteran racer and regatta co-founder Robert Bunting of Harrisville and Oxford, Mich. and crew, Elise Maier of Mio, Mich. were scratched from the competition when Bunting's 16 foot Wayfarer healing hard took in a lot of water and capsized on their final tack of the race. Bunting is a co-sponsor of the race and supplies the prizes for the winners. The annual Alcona Historical Society Sailing Regatta is held the first Saturday in August. For further information, contact Jane Briggs-Bunting (989) 724-6638.





St. Joseph Health System is proud to announce Hugo Davila, MD will be joining the caring team of medical professionals in August 2010. Dr. Davila will provide enhanced urology services at the NEW St. Joseph Urology Center located in East Tawas. St. Joseph Urology Center will provide adult care for male and female patients with bladder control problems, urinary incontinence, benign/malignant. pathologies of the prostate, kidney and bladder cancer, erectile dysfunction and penile curvature among other urinary and genital conditions. Diverse technologies and techniques will be available for the diagnosis and treatment of urology conditions including: Urodynamic, Endourology, Laser Surgery, Laparoscopic and Percutaneous Surgery. We will begin accepting appointments on July 26 at 989.362.1990. St. Joseph Urology Center - Restoring comfort, confidence and quality of life



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great day and good wind, said Jeff.

That put them an unbeatable distance ahead of those that followed including twotime race winners Paul Corsi. of Rochester Hills, Mich. and his sailing partner, Drew Newsom, of St. Petersburg, Fla., who were first over the starting line at the beginning of the race. Corsi and Newsom were second over the finish line in their 16 foot Hobie catamaran with a time of (45:11). Their corrected time of (59:27) however placed them fifth.

This is Nolan's third time winning the regatta, and he's done so on three different boats. The others were a Sunfish and a Mutineer.

The boats are rated under the Portsmouth Yachting

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