



Alayna Legstra visits with Santa when he was at the Lincoln Train Depot during the Village of Lincoln's Festival of Lights celebration (above). Cole (left) and Carter Upper visit with him at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library during Harrisville's Christmas in the Village activities. *Photos by Cheryl Peterson.*



Five teenagers face charges in high school bomb threats

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Five teenagers attending Alcona High School have been charged in three incidents of bomb threats at the school.

Four of the teenagers are considered juveniles by the legal system and their names are not being released by the Alcona County Sheriff's Department. One teenager is 17 and is considered an adult.

Alexander Hunter, 17, of Lincoln has been charged with false threat to bomb. He is lodged in the Alcona County Jail on a \$20,000, 10 percent cash surety bond. According to the sheriff's department, Hunter is allegedly responsible for the bomb threat on

November 24. He was arraigned in 81st District Court on Monday, Dec. 13.

A 16-year-old male has been charged with conspiracy threat to bomb in the same incident as Hunter.

Two 14-year-old males have been charged with the December 3 incident. One is charged with false threat to bomb and the other with conspiracy threat to bomb.

One 14-year-old female has been charged with false threat to bomb in the December 6 incident.

The bomb threats were in written form and found inside the school, according to the sheriff's department. Each time a threat was found

the high school and middle school were evacuated, the buildings were searched and no bomb was found. On November 24 and December 3 students resumed classes. In the incident of the December 6 threat, students were sent home.

According to Alcona County Sheriff Sgt. James McGuire, "the investigation is finished with all suspects being identified and awaiting court proceedings."

The four juveniles will proceed through probate court. A date for a preliminary examination in 81st District Court has not been set for Hunter.



Alcona High School student council members have been busy collecting items from the community for servicemen and women overseas in conjunction with Operation Care Package Michigan. The first wave of donations was picked up by a representative from the organization just before Thanksgiving and is ensured for delivery by Christmas. Those students on hand for the pick up were (front row) Garrette Norling, Lexie Cook, Zach Stoner, Kelsey Sullivan, Sydney Chadwick, Marisa Hirschfeld, Karina Cole, Kristen Doucette, (back row) Ashley Kenworthy, Nick Bouchard and Brandon Gibson. Not pictured: Sarah Hart, Zach Palmer, Morgan Higgins, Carley Cooper, Cassandra Gansen, Kaylee LaFave, Megan Quick, Rachel Schellie, Maddie Feldhiser, advisors Jim Watts and Patti Byce and Alcona County Sheriff Deputy Nathanael Leeseberg. This is an ongoing project for the student council. Donations will be accepted throughout the rest of the school year and may be dropped off at the Alcona High School counseling office. For more information about what is needed, contact the school at (989) 736-8534. *Courtesy photo.*

Federal grants enable Drug Court expansion

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

The pressure of knowing where funds will come from to operate Alcona County's Drug Sobriety Court has been lessened a great deal with the receipt of two federal grants for the next three years.

The staff of Alcona County Drug Court was recently notified that it was approved for \$135,733 from the Bureau of Justice Assistance and \$107,500 from the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration. Both grants will be allocated over three years.

Up until the grant funding was awarded, the program was

existing on a week-to-week basis due to the loss of revenue from state grant allocation. With these grants, Alcona County Drug Court will be expanding to include Oscoda and Iosco counties.

Alcona County Drug Sobriety Court is commonly called Drug Court. This program seeks to reduce substance abuse crime and recidivism along with promoting public safety, individual responsibility and citizenship by integrating substance abuse treatment with intensive supervision and frequent judicial oversight for nonviolent alcohol and other drug dependent defendants within the crimi-

nal justice system, according to Alcona County Probate Judge Laura A. Frawley, who presides over Drug Court.

She explained the expansion for Oscoda and Iosco counties was included in the grant application. The process of including these two counties is still ongoing, but moving forward. "We are hopeful and aren't anticipating any problems," Frawley said.

"We've been hoping to expand services (to other counties) for some time and we are excited to be able to do it," said Alysa Pichler, Drug Court coordinator/case manager. Previously a part-time staff member with Drug Court, Pichler

is now a full time employee and is the supervising compliance officer.

"One of the nice things with this grant is we have more money for training for staff and that is good," Frawley said. "Technology has grown so fast in regard to studies of psychological functions of the brain, it is important to keep up so we are addressing specific issues correctly."

She explained brain scans and other studies have found that different parts of the brain are affected by specific substances and it takes a certain amount of time for these ar-

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Obituaries

Deanna Kramer

Deanna J. Kramer, 35, of Lincoln, died on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2010 at home.

She was born October 21, 1975 to Robert and Mary Lou (Black) Kramer in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. She was raised in Lincoln.

She was a graduate of Alcona High School and attended Alpena Community College.

She loved horses and was proud to show them with her kids at the Alcona County Fair. She also enjoyed doing craft projects with her kids.

Miss Kramer is survived by two daughters, Desirai and Cierra Kramer of Lincoln; her parents, Robert and Mary Lou Kramer of Lincoln; one brother, James (Terri) Campbell of Oscoda; and grandparents; Ralph Kramer of Lincoln and Leatrice and Leo Campbell of Caro, Mich.

She was preceded in death by an infant son, Chance Kramer; one sister, Cindy Campbell; and two brothers, Scotty and Kevin Campbell.

Interment services were held December 11 at the Eastlawn Memorial Gardens in Saginaw, Mich. Arrangements were handled by Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Jack M. Wade

Jack M. Wade, 78, of Greenbush, died on Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2010, at Tawas St. Joseph Hospital.

He was born March 29, 1932 to Charles and Inez (Godfry) Wade in Ithaca, Mich. He was raised in Ithaca, Mich. and in Mio, Mich.

After high school, he joined the United States Army and served in Korea.

On December 6, 1980, he married Linda Gnirs in Vernon, Mich. They were residents of Flint, Mich. In 1984 they moved to Harrisville and then to Greenbush.

He was a "Jack of all trades" and enjoyed farming, carpentry, painting and puzzles.

He was a member of the Harrisville VFW Post No. 6466 and the Family Heritage Baptist Church in Harrisville.

Mr. Wade is survived by his wife, Linda; one daughter, Kayla Wade; one son, Chester (Crystal) Wade of Ypsilanti, Mich.; five grandchildren, Zachary and Leesa Wade, Gerald Stoll, and Paul and Xander Fondaw; one sister, Barbara Oberly of Cecil, Wisc.; one brother, Steve (Marilyn) Wade of Arlington Heights, Ill.; one sister-in-law, Mary Wickham; one brother-in-law, Duane Gnirs; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two sisters and four brothers.

There will be a memorial service at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 18 at the Family Heritage Baptist Church in Harrisville. Visitation will begin at 11 a.m. at the church. Pastor Ernie Ruemenapp will officiate. Cremation arrangements were handled by Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Ruth E. Gillies

Ruth E. Gillies, 85, of Lincoln, died on Sunday, Dec. 12, 2010 at Lincoln Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Community.

She was born March 5, 1925 to Ernest and Matilda (McGregor) Basselman in Glennie. She was raised in Barton City.

On August 14, 1948, she married Richard Gillies. They were residents of Saginaw, Mich., Alpena, and Detroit, Mich., until 1956 when they purchased Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln.

Mrs. Gillies worked at the funeral home and was a devoted homemaker.

She was a life member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Barton City, and its ladies

aid group. She was also a member of the Friends of the Lincoln Depot.

She enjoyed playing bridge, quilting and having meals at the Lincoln Senior Center. She was active her entire life, and enjoyed outdoor activities including golfing, walking and working in her flower garden.

Mrs. Gillies is survived by her husband, Dick; one son, Rich (Mary) Gillies of Barton City; two grandchildren, Sara (Aaron) Healy of Lincoln and Jeff (Marilee) Gillies of Haslett, Mich.; one great-grandson, Henrik Healy; one sister, Leora Gillard of Lincoln; one sister-in-law, Arden Basselman of Barton City; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Sharon Ellis on February 13, 2007; one brother, James Basselman on November 29, 2010, and one brother-in-law, Bill Gillard.

Visitation will be at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln on Wednesday, December 15 from 3 until 8 p.m. Funeral services will be on Thursday, December 16 at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Rev. Laraine Sundin will officiate. Burial will be in Twin Lakes Cemetery, Lincoln. Memorial Donations suggested to the Friends of the Lincoln Depot, in care of the Alcona Historical Society, or to the Alcona County Commission on Aging.

George E. Killmaster

George E. Killmaster, 88, of Charlevoix, Mich. and Lakeland, Fla. died on Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2010 in Bellaire, Mich.

He was born March 26, 1922 in Harrisville to Edwin and Elizabeth (Collins) Killmaster.

He graduated from Harrisville High School in 1941 and then attended the Kiski School, a preparatory school in Pennsylvania where he played football.

On August 19, 1945 he married Ruth Leonard in Harrisville.

During World War II he trained as a naval aviator and flew frequently over the Snake River in Oregon.

He graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1947. After college he taught and coached football at Chesaning High School.

Mr. Killmaster moved to Midland, Mich. in 1955, where he built a successful business and was a consistent top producer as an insurance agent with the Equitable Life Assurance Company.

In retirement, he enjoyed boating on Lake Charlevoix and the Great Lakes. He was an avid fan of the Detroit

Tigers and a loyal supporter of the Michigan State Spartans sports teams.

Mr. Killmaster is survived by two daughters, Karen (William) Carlson of Harrisville and Eagle, Colo., and Connie (Ed) Smendzuik of Birmingham, Mich.; one son, Kyler (Carol) Killmaster of Midland, Mich.; eight grandchildren, Sara and Katie Carlson, Mary, David and Thomas

Smendzuik and Ryan, Meghan and Gavin Killmaster; and one great-grandchild.

A private memorial service is planned at a future date. Arrangements were handled by Ware-Smith-Woolever Funeral Home in Midland, Mich. Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Alcona Humane Society.

Edward W. Camp

Edward W. Camp, 92, of Glennie, died on Saturday, Dec. 11, 2010, at home.

He was born June 15, 1918 in Stone Lake, Wisc. He was raised in Stone Lake, Wisc. and in Munising, Mich.

He served in the U.S. Army in World War II serving in the European, African and Middle Eastern theaters. He received the Purple Heart for wounds he received in Italy.

On April 29, 1946 he married Alta Smith. They were residents of Glennie moving to Romulus, Mich. They resided in Lincoln Park, Mich. from 1962 to 1970 moving to Fairview and returning to Glennie in 1980.

He was a school custodian in the Lincoln Park School District and the Mio AuSable High School before retiring.

Mr. Camp is survived by one daughter, Leanna (Thomas) Jonseck of Glennie; one son, William (Lynda) Camp of Elizabethtown, Ky.; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and one sister, Mable Arnold of South Fork, Va.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Alta, on May 3, 2008.

Visitation will be held at Lott Baptist Church in Glennie on Wednesday, Dec. 15 from 10 a.m. until the time of the funeral at 11 a.m. The Rev. Michael Van Zee will officiate.

Arrangements were handled by Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
Dec. 5	28	20	0.00	4.5	24	N
Dec. 6	25	20	0.00	5.3	24	N
Dec. 7	23	18	0.00	5.1	27	N
Dec. 8	22	13	0.00	3.4	19	N
Dec. 9	27	8	0.00	6.4	34	NW
Dec. 10	32	25	0.03	7.1	31	SW
Dec. 11	36	28	0.00	7.1	27	NE

Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	2010		Normal
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Water Content
Weekly Total	0.03	0.1	0.42
December to Date	0.04	0.1	0.66
Year/Season to Date	26.05	0.1	27.23

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

Calendar of Events

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

The Oscoda Circle of the AuSable Valley Audubon will meet at 7 a.m. at Coffe Talk restaurant in Oscoda for breakfast and at noon for lunch at Wiltse's during the Christmas Bird Count.

St. Joseph Health System Hospice will host their annual Tree of Lights program in classrooms A and B of St. Joseph Hospital in honor or remembrance of the lives of family and friends. Refreshments will begin at 4:30 p.m. with the service and lighting ceremony at 5:30 p.m.

Bring your own sewing to the sewing circle from 2 to 4 p.m. at the senior center in Lincoln.

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 Island Preservation Society will meet for their annual Christmas party at the Alpena Yacht Club at 6 p.m. All members and their guests are welcome. RSVP to Don Speer at (989) 595-2383. Bring a dish to share and a contribution to the yacht club's tree of mittens, gloves, hats or scarves that are donated to local charities.

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held at the senior center in Lincoln from noon to 5:45 p.m. Visit www.RedCrossBlood.org for donation requirements. Call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule an appointment.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

Everyone is invited to the Shoreline Players Community Christmas Show beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Shoreline Players Theater located behind the Robert Parks Library on the former Air Force base in Oscoda. The show includes an original adaptation of How the Grinch Stole Christmas, many vocalists throughout the show, a storyteller, a dance group, a band and a phenomenal light show finale. There is no admission cost.

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.

There will be a potluck and card game for retired persons at noon at the senior center in Lincoln. Everyone is welcome. Bring \$1 and a dish to pass.

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.

The Alcona County Amateur Radio Group will meet at the EMS/EOC building on M-72 at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in emergency and public service communications is invited to attend. For more information, contact Stan at (989) 724-5550.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

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.

A video exercise class will be offered at the senior center in Lincoln at 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

The Tawas Circle of the AuSable Valley Audubon will meet at 7 a.m. at Big Boy restaurant in East Tawas for

breakfast and at noon for lunch at Patti's Kountry Kitchen on US-23 during the Christmas Bird Count.

Northeast Michigan Crime Stoppers will feature George Hamilton IV; Christmas from the Grand Ole Opry for one show only at 7 p.m. at the Alpena High School auditorium. Advance tickets are \$18, tickets at the door are \$22 and family tickets are \$45. For tickets and more information, call (989) 354-4375.

The second annual Audubon Christmas Bird Count for Sturgeon Point and Harrisville circle will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 10 a.m. A 30 minute presentation will be given before heading out to count birds. The bird tally will be at 4 p.m. in the library. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call (989) 724-3056.

There will be a snowmo-
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Obituaries

Patricia A. Beal

Patricia A. Beal, 71, of Ann Arbor, Mich. died on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2010.

She was born December 25, 1938 in Toledo, Ohio to James and Jean (Dzwiegon) Denicola.

On October 24, 1959 she married Ronald Beal in Crissy, Ohio.

Mrs. Beal enjoyed being a stay at home mom. She was a member of the Peoples Presbyterian Church in Milan, Mich. and the Glennie Lioness Club. Mrs. Beal was active in scouting with her children.

Mrs. Beal is survived by her husband, Ron; one son, Jim (Cindy) Beal of Milan, Mich.; one daughter, Jo (David) Minner of Pinckney, Mich.; five grandchildren, Ashley and Zeke Beal and Ali, Tori and Emily Minner; two sisters, Susan Rothenbuhler of Bowling Green, Ohio and Betty Jo (James) Kies of Chelsea, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and one grandson, Cody Beal.

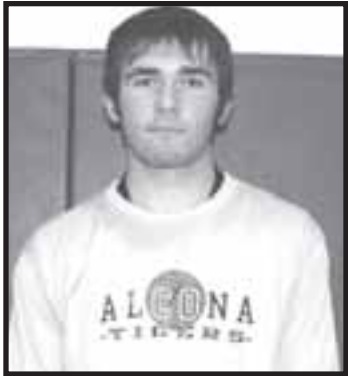
A funeral service was held December 10 at Ochalek-Stark Funeral Home in Milan, Mich. Interment was in Ridgeway Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Glennie Lioness Club or the American Cancer Society.

Local Notes

Viking Energy of Lincoln Is Proud to Sponsor ALCONA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Brock Lavergne is this week's athlete of the week. Brock started strong with 12 first quarter points against Fairview and helped the Tigers to a 67-36 victory finishing with 14 points and 10 rebounds. He is a dominant force in the paint for the varsity squad and looks to continue his strong performance this season for the Tigers.



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Christmas Trees to Children

For the 63rd consecutive year the Wm. F. Moore Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 6754 of Spruce, also known as the Christmas Tree Post, provided Christmas trees (20 this year) to the children residing at the VFW National Home in Eaton Rapids, Michigan. As in the past, this program was coordinated by post charter member Bill Alstrom who this year was assisted by post commander Mike Liske and members Dennis Ziesman and Chuck Gauthier. The Schultz Tree Farm of Hubbard Lake supplied the trees. Over these many years, estimates are that more than 2,500 trees have been provided to this cause. The trees were delivered by Liske and Ziesman.

Drawing Winner

The East Shore Art Gallery held its annual December gift certificate drawing on Saturday, Dec. 4 at the gallery located in Harbortown Marketplace in Harrisville. This is the gallery's way of thanking its customers. Xavier Rouleau, a budding artist and third-grade student at Besser School in Alpena, drew the winning name, Bobbi Ruber of Brooklyn, Mich.

Holiday Drop in Craft

Kids ages toddler to 17 are invited to drop in at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Tuesday, Dec. 21 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. to create a variety of fun holiday crafts/gifts. This is a free program and all materials are provided. 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, Dec. 20—Smothered chicken, rice pilaf, broccoli, sauerkraut salad and fruit.

- Tuesday, Dec. 21—Baked fish, party potatoes, peas and carrots, fruited Jell-O, cake and ice cream.

- Wednesday, Dec. 22—Country steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, pickled beets and fruit.

- Thursday, Dec. 23—Sloppy Joe with bun, Spudsters, green beans, coleslaw and fruit.

- Friday, Dec. 24—All centers closed.

Christmas Concert

Amanda Kari, winner of the 2009 Northern Michigan Has Talent competition, will open the 2010 Christmas with Crime Stoppers concert at Alpena High School on Saturday, Dec 18. In addition to winning the Northern Michigan Has Talent competition, Kari won the West Branch Idol and Ogemaw County Idol talent competitions. Bay Area Review called her the best female country singer in the Bay area in 2008.

Christmas with Crime Stoppers this year stars George Hamilton IV from the Grand Ole Opry. George Hamilton IV has recorded over 60 albums in his career and his hits include "Abilene," "Truck Drivin' Man," "Early Mornin' Rain" and "A Rose and a Baby Ruth." The concert begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$18 in advance and \$22 at the door. The Christmas family special is \$45. For tickets and concert information, call the ticket hotline at (989) 354-4375.

Holiday Event on Stage

Christmas is just around the corner and Shoreline Players, a community theater, is presenting the "Annual Community Christmas Show." This variety show is in its third year and was created as a way for the group to give back to the community that supports them throughout the year. The show will be open to everyone as in the past with no admission cost.

J.D. Hock will serve as the master of ceremony for crowd favorites including the Shoreline Players Youth Drama Association's original adaptation of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." The youth drama association's coordinator Diana Shackleton is directing with assistant director Crystal Peters. Cast in this production are Shane Bagwell as The Grinch; Jessica Chrzanowski as Older Cindy Lou Who; Diamond Alt as Young Cindy Lou Who; Logan Hayden as Older Max; Dennis Fay as Young Max; Harry Samotis as the Mayor of Whoville, and Brianna Byard as the Mayor's Wife. The other residents of Whoville include Alec Poland as Mr. Cooli Who, Erin Senn as Ms. Chris Who, Andrea Guitierrez as Ms. Glamwhous, Stephanie Mandeville as Dr. Whoseit, Marissa Temple as Hippie Who, Erica Schorfhaar as Ms. Noise Who, Samantha Miller as She Herself Who, Bryanna Chase as Ms. Who Singer, Emma Hayden as Little Miss Puzzler Who, Wyatt and Joel Livvix as The Brothers Who, and Elias Guitierrez and Jayden Conly as Young Whos. The show is produced by Jackie Temple with assistant producer Lyn Smith.

The vocals of Linda Ramsdell, Tim Curtis, Jill Farmer, Missy Phillips, Casey and Bill Makela, and the Heartland Harmony Chorus will be featured throughout the show. Other performers include storyteller Mark Lee, the Atomic Guppies, from the Beginning Dance Studio, and the holiday light show. This year's light show will again be designed by Eric Joseph with assistance from Hock and programmed to the "Nutcracker Suite" by the Trans-Siberian Orchestra.

The Shoreline Players "Annual Community Christmas Show" is Thursday, Dec. 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Shoreline Players Theater in Oscoda. For more information about these shows or any upcoming Shoreline events go to www.shorelineplayers.org or call (989) 739-3586.

Gift the Gift of Life

With December and January being difficult months for blood collections, the American Red Cross has partnered with local, regional and national businesses to provide donors an extra incentive to make an appointment to donate blood this holiday season. Donors can give the perfect gift - the gift of life - by calling 1-800-Red-Cross (733-2767) or visiting

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Lady Tigers win two games, head into holiday break at 3-1

By Dan O'Connor
Sports Writer

The Alcona girls varsity basketball team faced the daunting task of playing three games in five days, all on the road, but survived with three wins.

The Lady Tigers were able to defeat Au Gres-Sims Wolverines on December 6 and Hale on December 7 after defeating Rogers City the previous week to start their season with three wins and one loss.

In Au Gres, the Lady Tigers charged out to an early 11-4 lead after one quarter led by Karina Cole's six point quarter. The Lady Tigers stretched their lead to 21-9 at the half and 31-14 after three quarters before settling for the 33-21 win. Cole led Alcona with eight points while

Kayla Rasmussen chipped in seven. The Lady Tigers had eight players contribute in the scoring column for the night.

The following night the Lady Tigers trailed early 8-2 in Hale before closing the first quarter on an 11-0 run to seize a 13-8 lead. Alcona added to the lead in the second pouring in 15 points and leading 28-18 at the half time break.

The third quarter featured an early run by Hale cutting the lead to four points before

the Lady Tiger forwards Ashley Smith, Rachel Hefferon and Alleigh Sexton scored 12 straight points to put the Lady Tigers back in front 42-31 heading into the fourth quarter. Alcona held on for the 53-43 victory.

The Lady Tigers were led by Smith with a game high 17 points while Cole added 12.

The Lady Tigers are off until January 4, 2011 when they will host Hale. On January 6, 2011 they host Whittemore-Prescott.

Girls Varsity Standings in Huron Shores Conference

	Conference	Overall
Tawas	0-0	2-0
Alcona	0-0	3-1
Whittemore-Prescott	0-0	2-1
Oscoda	0-0	1-2

Tigers dominate in first game

By Ron Yokom
Basketball Writer

The Alcona boys varsity basketball team began the season a little later than scheduled on Tuesday, Dec. 7 because of the cancellation of Monday's opening game with Hillman. So, they showed the size advantage they should have over most of the teams on their schedule, by soundly defeating a smaller Fairview team 67-36.

Granted, Fairview is a little less talented than they usually are, but the win was impressive anyway.

Alcona jumped out to a 21-6 lead after one quarter of play. Junior Brock LaVergne scored 12 of his team high 16 points in the first quarter. The Tigers continued to dominate Fairview outscoring them 26-12 in the second period and led at the half 47-18. Seven different players scored.

The third quarter started the same way with Alcona leading 61-21 halfway through. With one team having a 40 point lead, high school rules state that a running clock be used for the rest of the game. That means the clock continues to run during free throws and other dead ball situations. So, the rest of the game went quickly.

That, combined with Alcona clearing its bench, gave Fairview an opportunity to go on an 8-0 run to close out the third quarter. Alcona led 61-29. With the running clock the final period went quickly with very little scoring.

Alcona showed very balanced scoring led by LaVergne's 16 points. Alex Cole added 13, Jared Steiner had 10 points and Braden Yokom and Bryan Layton added eight points each. Roddy Forsythe scored five points, Brandon Gibson had three points and Andrew Chamberlain and Nick Garner scored two points each.

The junior varsity and varsity teams will travel to Posen on December 20. The JV game begins at 7:30 p.m. and the varsity game follows.



Alex Cole and Jared Steiner (14) prepare to trap the Fairview ball handler at half court. Photo by Kathy Steiner.

Boys Varsity Standings in Huron Shores Conference

	Conference	Overall
Alcona	0-0	1-0
Tawas	0-0	1-1
Oscoda	0-0	0-1
Whittemore Prescott	0-0	0-1

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*Peace be with each of you and yours
this holiday season*

Connie and Kent Sysak



Molly Christine Johnston, died on November 12, 2010.

She was born March 9, 2000. She was our very first dog-hter. She brought so much joy and love to our family and others that knew her. She is sadly missed by her Family; Craig, Nichol, Emma, Hayden, Sam and Ben.

A Small Question

Someone sent me this bit of advice that I want to share with you. The author is unknown, but I think you're going to like it.

If you can start the day without caffeine;
If you can get going without pep pills;
If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains;
If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles;
If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it;
If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time;
If you can forgive a friend's lack of consideration;
If you can overlook it when those you love take it out on you when, through no fault of your own, something goes wrong;
If you can take criticism and blame without resentment;
If you can ignore a friend's limited education and never correct;
If you can resist treating a rich friend better than a poor friend;
If you can face the world without lies and deceit;
If you can conquer tension without medical help;
If you can relax without liquor;
If you can sleep without the aid of drugs;
If you can honestly say that deep in your heart you have no prejudice against creed or color, religion or politics;
Then, my friend, you're almost as good as your dog. Almost, but not quite. This poem is dedicated to every dog lover in the world.

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By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

Our nicest Christmas gift arrived early this year, with the Princess' decision to spend the entire holiday season with us. After years of trying to squeeze all the holiday activities into a two or three day visit, it's wonderful to actually have time together.

Bastie the Wonder Poodle, of course, was delighted to arrive and even happier to discover that Grandmuzzer had a chicken in the oven. But I'm not so certain the most recent member of the entourage is having such a good time.

The newest addition to the family is a true ginger cat, Chapters, about six months old with a beautiful streak of gingerbread brown from ears to paws. Until last week, Chapter's experience with the automobile had been limited to his trip home from the house where the Princess had adopted him. Then, for no reason he could understand, last week she put him in his carrier, put the carrier in the car and drove from Florida to

Michigan. Needless to say, by the time they arrived he was a tad frayed.

When the Princess carried his carrier in and set it on the living room floor, it was instantly surrounded by the doggie version of the paparazzi. Two of them - our Lady and Henri - had their big doggie noses pressed up against the cage, sniffing enthusiastically. Before them, Bastie stood stiff-legged, ready to defend his little brother if necessary.

From inside the carrier, a sound faintly reminiscent of the starter on a 58 Buick Roadmaster emanated. Sort of a "wrrrrrrr" that vibrated on into infinity. After a bit, when the growl subsided, The Princess opened the door at the front of the carrier. After another little while, a small, heart-shaped face appeared in the door. As the dogs pressed forward to see what it was, the Buick started up again. "I think I'll just put Chapters up in the bedroom for a bit," the Princess suggested. That seemed like a good idea.

Since then, it's been kind of like having Howard Hughes as a house guest. You know he's in there. You're just not certain what he might be doing. One day last week, early in the morning when only Lady, the cocker spaniel, and I were awake, he ventured down, taking up a spot beneath the dining room table, inside the frame of a set of chair legs.

Lady was enchanted. Despite being at her furiest this time of year, she squunched down and crawled under the table, plunked her chin on her paws and lay there, grinning like a possum, for the better part of half an hour. Then someone opened the fridge door, she went to investigate, and Chapters escaped back upstairs. We hadn't realized how much Lady missed Oliver, our own kitty who'd been with us as long as Lady could remember.

Henri, our PBGV and Chapters have some "issues" to work out, however. For one thing, still in the tail-end of his puppyhood, Henri dearly loves to chase things. Despite his best efforts, neither Lady nor Bastian are inclined to play with him, and he holds high hopes for this latest entry in the family zoo.

When it comes to vocalization, Henri, as we put it, is a small dog with a bullhorn secreted somewhere on his person. Originally bred for hunting, he retains the characteristic basset bark (the B in his collection of initials) emitting a good, hearty bay when something seems worth barking at.

In the second place, Henri appears to suffer from short term memory dysfunction. So that from time to time, Chapters sticks his head out of the bedroom and catches Henri's eye, causing him to bound up the stairs, sounding the alarm all the way. He's been scolded for this several times, including one occasion when the Princess called him a "bad dog."

Puttin' On The Fritz

Henri has hardly ever been called "bad dog" and he was devastated. He turned his head from Art to me, clearly confused. "But..." he argued, "But Mom, Dad - you don't understand. There's a CAT in the bedroom!" This little scenario is repeated several times a day and every time Henri is surprised to discover that - sonofagun - there IS a cat in the bedroom.

Chapters, in the meantime, has reached the point where he greets Lady with reserved caution and Henri by filling the air with hisses and moans. So far, he only comes out after the pups shuffle off to bed, and he's particularly fond of watching me wash up for the night. Padding softly into the bathroom, he takes a seat on the rim of the bathtub and widens his eyes as I wash my face and brush my teeth. "Hey," his expression plainly says, "If you want to put water on your fur, it's fine with me. Creepy, but fine."

Later in the evening, he slithers down the stairs to pad around, exploring, munching on the houseplants and playing with his toys. (Just yesterday morning, we discovered that a catnip mouse abandoned in the corner of the kitchen proves that Grandmuzzer can still do a standing broad jump). Then, sometime before dawn, he slips back upstairs to curl up on the foot of the Princess' bed. It's kind of like having an animated shadow in the house.

So the goal for Christmas, this year, is peaceful coexistence. I love the idea that by Christmas Eve, we can all gather around the tree, dogs settled comfortably on their rugs on the floor, Chapters curled in the Princess' lap, tidings of comfort and joy in the air.

Somehow, though, it seems more likely that we'll have Chapters clinging to a branch of the tree - somewhere near the star - making the Buick noise while Henri stands on his hind legs, hooing his head off beneath it, Lady, grinning like a possum bear-waltzing around the base and Bastie snuggling further down into his heated blanket, shivering.

That's what Christmas is all about, isn't it? Controlled chaos and the occasional catastrophe? All of that, yes. Oh! And the tidings of comfort and joy.

(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.)

Birdling BITS BY Cindy Brook

Holiday Tree
Imagine a tree filled only with red birds. How festive. This season, why not fill your holiday tree with birds? It's easy to find bird-related items like ornaments, nests, small bird feeders, pinecones, ribbon, garland, birdhouses, etc. The options are endless. Have fun and be creative!

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There were 400 guests from all over the state of Michigan as well as visitors from Ontario, Canada. We were especially pleased to have the Worthy Grand Matron Marsha Taylor and Worthy Grand Patron Alastair Mulligan of Ontario.

Tributes were given to our

worthy grand matron and worthy grand patron from various Masonic affiliated organizations.

The order of the Eastern Star is a Masonic affiliated organization to which both men and women may belong.

We are very supportive of our three youth groups, DeMolay for young men, International Order of Rainbow for girls and Jobs Daughters International. We are also very supportive of charitable organizations. This year our worthy grand matrons special projects are Alzheimer's and

domestic violence shelters.

Scholarships are awarded to worthy students each year from our educational fund. In years past we have supported Ronald McDonald House, the Goodfellows and the Autism Foundation.

The order of the Eastern Star supports and honors military organizations and those members who have served to protect our freedom.

This year was busy and eventful and 2011 will be the same as we continue to support our members and our charitable organizations.



Bernice McSweyn and Andy Forgo

SENIOR LIFESTYLES

Medicare's preventive services are about to get better

Dear Savvy Senior,
I've heard that Medicare will soon be offering seniors free health screenings. What can you tell me about this?

Searching Senior

Dear Searching,

It's true. Starting January 1, 2011, as part of the new health care reform law, everyone with Original Medicare will have access to many important preventive health services, and most of them they won't cost you a cent.

Over the years, Medicare has covered a number of preventive health screenings like mammograms and colonoscopies with varying levels of cost-sharing (that includes deductibles, coinsurance or copayments). Cost-sharing for preventive services typi-

cally means that you, the beneficiary, pay 20 percent of the cost of the service (Medicare picks up the other 80 percent), after you've met your \$155 Part B deductible.

But starting next month, Medicare beneficiaries will no longer have to pay any out-of-pocket costs for most preventive services, including annual wellness visits which are being added to the program to help keep you healthy.

Here's a breakdown of the different preventive services that Medicare will soon be offering that will be completely free.

• **Wellness visits:** In addition to the one-time Welcome to Medicare physical (which new beneficiaries can get but only within their first year of

enrollment in Part B), free annual wellness visits with your physician will now be available. These visits will give your doctor the opportunity to develop and maintain an ongoing personalized prevention plan for improving your health.

Each exam will include body and blood pressure measurements, a review of your medical history including any medications you're taking and care you may be receiving from other health care providers, an assessment of your cognitive condition and establish an appropriate screening schedule for the next five to 10 years.

• **Health screenings:** In addition to the wellness visits, here's a list of the free health screenings and vaccinations Medicare will be offering its beneficiaries in 2011, along with the eligibility requirements you'll need to meet to get them.

• **Breast cancer screening:** Yearly mammograms will be offered to women age 40 and older with Medicare.

• **Colorectal cancer screening:** This includes the flexible sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy for all beneficiaries age 50 or older.

• **Cervical cancer screening:** Pap smear and pelvic exams are available every two years, or once a year for those at high risk.

• **Cardiovascular screenings:** Free blood test to check cholesterol, lipid and triglyceride levels are offered every five years to all Medicare recipients.

• **Diabetes:** Twice a year screening for those at risk.

• **Medical nutrition therapy:** Available to help people manage diabetes or kidney disease.

• **Prostate cancer screening:** A digital rectal exam and PSA blood test is available to all male beneficiaries age 50 and older every year. You pay nothing for the PSA test, but you'll have to pay 20 percent for the doctor's visit.

• **Bone mass measurements:** This osteoporosis test is available every two years to those at risk, or more often if medically necessary.

• **Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening:** To check for bulging blood vessels, this test is available to men ages 65 to 75 who have ever smoked.

• **HIV screening:** Available to those who are at increased risk or who ask for the test.

• **Vaccinations:** An annual

Savvy Senior

flu shot, a vaccination against pneumococcal pneumonia and the hepatitis B vaccine are all free to all beneficiaries.

For more details on Medicare's preventive services and their eligibility requirements, see your "Medicare & You 2011" booklet that you received in the mail in October. Or you can read it online at medicare.gov.

If you have Medicare Advantage you need to know that the health care reform law did not require these plans to provide free preventive services. However, most Advantage plans already offer Medicare-covered preventive services without cost-sharing. You'll need to check your plan to find out your specific coverage.

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December 8

Cole's Appl.	125.5	54.5
Other Team	119	61
Ark Plumbing	104.5	75.5
Stoney Acres	100	80
Alcona Tool	99	81
Alcona Abstract	83	97
Back Alley Bar	79	101
Animal Clinic	72	108
JB's Auto	71	109

High game and series: Mary Jackson, 248 and 663.
High handicap game and series: Mary Jackson, 265 and 714.

Huron

December 7

Gary Oil	25.5	119.5
Back Alley Bar	18	105
Big Joe's Motel	10	99
B & D Sales	18	89.5
Carpet One	12	81
Rob's Repair	20	79.5
Lincoln Prec.	4.5	75
Haglund's	12	71.5

High game: Lon Crampton, 278.
High series: Dave Baker, 666.

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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1	7	2	6	9	4	3	8	5
8	4	5	1	7	3	9	2	6

High handicap game and series: Lon Crampton, 311 and 755.

Early Bloomers

December 7

Tigerlilys	202.5	133.5
Daffodils	176.5	159.5
Buttercups	176.5	159.5
Rosebuds	175.5	160.5
Violets	169	167
Marigolds	156.5	179.5
Mums	151	185
Bluebells	136.5	199.5

High game and series: Annette Kane, 178 and 467.
High team game: Marigolds, 427.
High team series: Tigerlilys, 1,214.

Majors

December 11

Ghostbusters	120	60
Hammers	109	71
Team 4	95.5	84.5
Better Than	95	85
8 Ball	73.5	106.5
Team 3	47	133

Boy's high game: Ryan Somers, 208.
Boy's high series: Jeremy Maturen, 525.
Boy's high handicap game and series: Ryan Somers, 305 and 774.

Girl's high game: Tiffany Younk, 165.

Girl's high series: Megan Griffith, 427.

Girl's high handicap game: Tiffany Younk, 233.

Girl's high handicap series: Hazel Blakely, 616.

Minors

December 11

Strike Bandits	21.5	8.5
High Strikers	19	11
Lions,	17.5	12.5
Pin Busters	17	13
Butterflies	14	16
Team 3	13	17
Trappers	11	19
Headpins	7	23

Boy's high game: Cory Hoffman, 132.
Boy's high series: Basil Schuman, 244.
Boy's high handicap game: Hunter Smith, 238.
Boy's high handicap series: Basil Schuman, 452.
Girl's high game and series: Raegen Eller, 124 and 246.
Girl's high handicap game: Hannah Brege, 244.
Girl's high handicap series: Raegen Eller, 472.

Organization Notes



This year's theme for the 2010 Voice of Democracy program sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) essay contest, which is open to all high school students, was "Does My Generation Have a Role in America's Future?" This year there were 27 students who entered the contest. First place went to Karina Cole; second place, Austin Scott and third place, Cassidy Skurda. Karina Cole will now advance to the district finals in January. Pictured (from left) are Pat D'Augustino, VFW, Cassidy Skurda, Austin Scott, Karina Cole and Ron Skiba, VFW. *Courtesy photo.*

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Another bonus the grant money will provide is funds to reimburse family members and supporters of Drug Court participants for transportation. Frawley said rural counties like Alcona don't have public transportation and that is a hardship for Drug Court participants to get to meetings, counseling sessions and other commitments necessary to meet their court ordered requirements. Many times family members and supporters have to drive them and

that can be a hardship at times.

Frawley said a staff member will also be added to Drug Court - a part-time compliance officer. Gena Yockey joined the staff last week in that capacity and is also working as a part-time probation officer.

"We are really excited about this opportunity," Frawley said. "Alysa worked very hard on preparing the grant applications and we received technical assistance from Sandra Pilgrim-Lewis of Shelter, Inc. and from Judy Suszek, the financial officer of Northeast Michigan Community Foundation and from the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG)."

Local Notes

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RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment.

Blood drives in the area include:

- Wednesday, Dec. 15 - noon to 5:45 p.m. Lincoln Senior Center, 207 S. Church Street, Lincoln.
- Monday, Dec. 27 - noon to 5:45 p.m. Hope Lutheran Church, 5462 W. Nicholson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake
- Thursday, Dec. 30 - 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. St. Mary's Education Center, 500 N. Second Ave., Alpena
- Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2011 - 8:15 a.m. to 2 p.m., LaFarge Corp. North America Maintenance Conference Room, 1435 Ford Ave., Alpena.

January, all presenting donors can also win a Valentine's weekend getaway (February 11-13, 2011) at one of two Michigan bed and breakfasts and a month of free groceries (up to \$250 value) from Meijer.

• Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2011 - noon to 5:45 p.m. First Presbyterian Church, 1600 W. Chisholm, Alpena.

All presenting donors at American Red Cross blood drives in December will have the opportunity to win a \$500 Best Buy gift card. In addition, everyone who comes out to donate from December to February 28 has a chance to win an all-expense paid trip for two to Chicago, Ill. to see the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball second and third round playoff games. Airfare and a three-night hotel stay are included. Beginning in

"Our goal is to maintain a healthy blood supply," said Sharon L. Jaksa, CEO for the Great Lakes Region of the American Red Cross. "We are glad we can provide our dedicated donors even more reason to brave the poor weather conditions this winter, thanks to our partnerships with local, regional and national businesses."



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Boys Varsity Basketball

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Photo by Dan O'Connor.



Boys JV Basketball

(Front row, from left) Joseph Carrasco, Walker Kelly, Garrette Norling, Nathan Fettes, Cody Franklin, Joshua Mead, (back row) Coach Brad Cole, Benjamin Dubuque, Eric Hampton, Brian Finn, Nicholas Bouchard, Dustin Yokom, Aaron Ritchie, Corey McLaughlin and Austin Cole.

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Girls Varsity Basketball
 (Front row) Lindsay Morang, Karina Cole, Emily Wojcik, (middle) Manager Kendra Cole, Kristin Doucette, Caitlin McNichols, Alexa LeCureux, (back row) Amy Nowak, Rachel Hefferon, Lexie Cook, Alleigh Sexton, Kayla Rasmussen, Coach Dan O'Connor, Ashley Smith and Emily Nowak.

Photo by Dan O'Connor.

Girls JV Basketball
 (Front row, from left) Ashley Shutes, Carly Mitchell, Kelsey Sullivan, (middle) Megan Quick, Nikki Smith, Samantha Mier, Errin O'Leary, Hannah Terpstra, (back row) Manager Alissa Terpstra, Cassandra Carpenter, Maddie Feldhiser, Lilly Rodgers-Manning, Turner Somers, Brittany Joyce, Tylar Campbell and Coach Kristi Arnold.

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On October 23 the Lincoln Chapter No. 184 Order of the Eastern Star held its installation of officers.

Kathi and Joe Olah were installed as the incoming worthy matron and worthy patron. Joyce and Andy Forgo were installed as associate matron and associate patron.

The following members were installed in these posi-

tions: Mary Hilderbrand, secretary; Rita Sands, treasurer; Linda Batchlor, conductress; Anne Reames, associate conductress; Don Cowsert, chaplain; George McIntyre, marshal; Audrey Cowsert, organist; star points: Ethel Furister, Ginny Bailey, Linda Deller and Beverly Harmon; Charles Snyder, warder; Marilyn Brown, sentinel;

Jerry Brown, flag bearer and special officers Bob Hilderbrand and Cliff Deller.

The ceremony was followed by a dinner served in the dining room. The food was prepared by the sisters of the order and served by fellow sisters, Pat Wheaton, Carol Briggs, Donna Malone and brother Leonard Briggs.

Boy Scouts of America

Every fall, scouting reaches out across the local communities to sign up youth to participate in programs offered for boys of all ages. In recent years, the Boy Scouting program has expanded to include young ladies ages 13 and up as well.

Often times, folks think that because they didn't attend the announced sign up events, that they have to wait until next year to sign up. This is not the case.

Scouting is an ongoing and open enrollment program. Youth can join at any time.

This year, as a special offer, boys from six years old and up -- Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing programs -- and young ladies from ninth grade and up who sign up for the Venturing programs until December 15 will be provided a free trial membership that will run until January 31, 2011.

This is an opportunity to "try scouting on for size," and for families to experience and find out more about the scouting movement and programs offered by the Boy Scouts of America.

For more information on this special membership offer and how to join a local program, contact Mike Bruce, district executive for the local Boy Scouting programs in Alpena, Alcona, Iosco, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle counties, at (989) 471-2502.

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Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce

The general membership meeting on November 10 was called to order at 6 p.m. by president Judie Labadie at the Alcona County Library, Harrisville branch, followed by the "Pledge of Allegiance" to the flag.

Present: Judie Labadie; Jeanne Meskus, vice president; Pat Bushy, treasurer; Karen Sanderson, secretary; Ed Foster and Jim Pyne, trustees; Fran Whitney, Michigan Works!; Dee Foster, Lake Huron Rentals; Paul Labadie, Country Cone and Fudge; George and Marcy Redlawsk, Seaver Bed and Breakfast; Connie Sysak, Blue Bear Jewelry; Steve

Ashford, Springport View; Judy Blower, Sunrise Carpet; Judy Pyne, Pyne Enterprises, Inc.; Carolyn Merkel, Harrisville Arts Council; Marlena MacNeill, Alcona County Road Commission; Trudy Bohlinger, Craftmakers' Cabin; Bill Hastings, Alcona Sign Shop; Kristina Zuchowski, Main Street Diner; Frank Belloli, Village Lanes; Jim Maceri, 3 Seasons Motel; Billie Thompson, Alcona County Quilt Trail Project; Cindi Van Hurk, Alcona County Quilt Trail; and Joan Crick, Alcona County Historical Society.

Motion by Jeanne Meskus, support by Ed Foster, to approve the October 13 general membership minutes. Motion carried. Motion by Foster, support by Meskus to approve November 4 executive board minutes. Motion carried.

Pat Bushey, treasurer, reported balances as of August 31, 2010. Motion by Meskus, support by Ed Foster, to approve treasurer's report. Motion carried. Pat Bushey reported as of November 4 there are 46 paid members.

Christmas in the Village: The hayride is set, the churches are set for participation. There are 41 tables/

crafters sold (only 40 available). Donation of gifts from the businesses as prizes will be done this year rather than from the crafters. Help is needed for set up and take down at Maria Hall. Set up will be at 5:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3 and take down will happen at 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4 -- show up if you can help.

The Pure Michigan campaign okayed the \$500 contribution for the 2011 campaign. Ed Foster presented the 2011 slate of officers as recommended by the executive board. They are as follows: President, Judie Labadie (one year term); vice president: Vacant; treasurer, Ed Foster (one year term); secretary, Jeanne Meskus (one year term); trustee, Trudy Bohlinger (three year term); trustee, Steve Ashford (two year term).

Foster opened nominations from the floor for each office. None were offered. Motion by George Redlawsk, support by Judy Blower, to accept the nominations of the executive board for the 2011 Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce. Motion carried unanimously.

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Alcona VFW Post 6466

In a special meeting held on Thursday, Dec. 9, 10 members of the Alcona VFW Post 6466 were presented with hand carved canes from the Sunrise Side Wood Carvers.

These canes, from the "Lean On Me" project, were designed with each veteran's specific service information and special attention to detail by the individual carver. A total of 11 canes were carved, however, one member, Jack Wade, died on Wednesday, Dec. 8. His wife, Linda Wade of Greenbush, accepted the cane in his memory.



Six veterans who served in World War II receive canes from the Sunrise Side Wood Carvers (front row, from left) Andy Holmes, Cyril Glowinski, Andrew Kowalski, (back row, from left) Truman Vinson (received cane in July), Felix Mendyka, Teddy Kruttlin and David Anderson.



Korea and Vietnam veterans receive canes (seated, from left) Joe Gonzales and Linda Wade (accepted for Jack Wade), (back row, from left) Ron Skiba, Clement Skiba and Raymond Covey. Photos courtesy of Karen Rouse of the Oscoda Press.

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Open discussion: Marlena MacNeill explained that the Economic Development Committee (EDC) calendar committee is preparing the events portion of the Heritage Route website and is looking for information. She asked that the chamber be involved funneling information to the EDC. She handed out forms to be submitted.

Alcona County Democratic Party

Alcona County Democratic Party officers elected to the 2011-2012 term are: Chairman Paul Peterson; vice chairperson Sheila Phillips; secretary David Tacia and treasurer Al LaBrecque.

In response to his election as county chairman, Peterson

Pat Bushey was visited by True North Radio and asked if businesses might be interested in advertising as a part of the commercial "blitz" of Christmas in the Village. Possibly the chamber might participate. Judie Labadie will check this out. Motion to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

said, "I look forward to partnering with Alcona Democrats as we endeavor to live out the traditional Democratic values of hard work, fair play, compassion for our neighbors and keeping the American dream alive for future generations."

VFW Post No. 6754 Ladies Auxiliary

The December 2010 meeting was held with 14 members and one guest present. Emma Liske read the minutes from the previous meeting. She also read letters from National Home thanking the auxiliary for the \$35 donation and for sending 105 Campbell soup labels. Please continue to save labels and give them to Bertha Golder.

Erma Wyers read the treasurer's report. Norma Alstrom reported on the Veterans Day services at the Memorial Stone on the Court House lawn in Harrisville and the lunch served by VFW Post No. 6466. She also reported on the program presented by the students at Sanborn Elementary School under Principal Eric Cardwell's direction.

Auxiliary president Kathy Vichunas introduced our guest, Esther Bullock. Her husband, Al Bullock, is transferring his membership to our post. Kathy also reported on the District 11 meeting held in Standish, Mich. on November 7 and advised that the auxil-

aries were asked to continue putting donations in the "piggy banks" which are to be taken to the next district meeting to be held in Harrison, Mich. on February 6. Cookies are needed for the fruit baskets which will be made up on December 18 at 1 p.m. at Donna Bushey's house.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2011 at 7 p.m.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of December 5-11, 2010

57 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 2 Operate While Intoxicated.

Complaint Statistics

Traffic	1	Car/Deer	11
Property Damage Accident	5	General Assistance	4
False Alarm	2	Burglary	3
Animal	5	Patrol Check	1
Mal. Destruction of Property	1	Operate While Intoxicated	2
Drive While Lic. Suspended	1	Suspicious Person	1
Well Being Check	3	Civil	1
Child Abuse/Neglect	2	Possible Animal Abuse	1
Threats	1	Possible Illegal Burn	1
Building Check	1	Miscellaneous	1
Unattended Death	1	Trespass	1
Expired Plate	1	Assault	2
Animal Bite	1	Personal Injury Accident	1
Identity Theft	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	1	Caledonia	4	Curtis	5
Greenbush	13	Gustin	5	Harrisville	4
Hawes	6	Haynes	1	Mikado	3
Millen	3	Mitchell	2		
City of Harrisville 7		Village of Lincoln 3			

Area Church Directory

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church


 Corner of US-23 & Medor Rd.,
 Harrisville • 724-5160
 9:30 a.m. Sunday service


Haynes Community Church
 4505 Shaw Road, Harrisville, Michigan 48740
 Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m.
 989-724-6665 • 989-724-6578
 Pastor Claire Duncan • haynescommunitychurch.org

GREENBUSH COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
 2430 S. State, Greenbush • 724-5264 • Pastor A. C. Caincross
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Sunday Morning Service 11 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.

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 • Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Wed. 6:30 p.m. Patch the Pirate Club
 Wed. 7 p.m. Midweek Service (Bible Study & Prayer Service)


Harrisville United Methodist Church

 217 North State Street
(1 block N. of light on US-23)
 Pastor Tracy Brooks
 Worship 10:45 a.m. ~ Church ~ 724-5450


New Life Lutheran Church (ELCA)

 Sunday Worship & Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Hubbard Lake Rd.,
 ¾ mile south of White Pine National Golf Course
 Pastor Christina Bright Office 736-7816

Lincoln United Methodist Church

 101 E. Main Street
 Church School 9 a.m. ~ Worship 9 a.m.
 Pastor Tracy Brooks
 Parsonage 724-6266 ~ Church 736-6910


Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

 Church Street at Traverse Bay Road
 Lincoln, Mich. 48742 ~ 736-1227
 Pastor Michael Sheppard ~ Service, Sunday 9 a.m.


First Baptist Church of Lincoln

 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. - Worship 11 a.m.
 Bible Study/Prayer, Wed. 7 p.m.
 AWANA Program Monday at 3:30 p.m.
 Pastor Dr. Rev. Arie VanBrenk • 202 Main Street • 736-8796

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

 6891 Nicholson Hill Road, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747
 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class at 11 a.m.
 Pastor Robert L. Mikkelsen • (989) 727-2496

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

 2902 E. F-30, Mikado, MI 48745 • (989) 736-8345
 Pastor Tim Steiner, Pastor Emeritus Larry Richmond
 Sunday School: 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship Services: 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
 Monday: 6:30 p.m. *Teen Program (Grades 7-12)
 Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Adult Prayer & Bible Study & *Youth Programs (Grades K-6th)
 *Fall-Spring programs • Website: www.cbcmikado.com

Our Savior Lutheran Church

 3639 South M-65, Glennie, Michigan
 Sunday Morning 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
 Rev. Carlo Sgambelluri, Pastor

Spruce Presbyterian Church

 Induction Loop equipped for tele-coil hearing aids
 6230 Gillard Road (P.O. Box 37), Spruce, MI 48762 • 471-5464
 Worship 9 a.m.
 Thomas J. Welscott, Pastor Wednesday office hours 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

St. Anne Catholic Church
 Harrisville, MI ~ Rectory Phone: 724-6713
 Rev. William Livinus, Pastor
 Sunday Masses: 11 a.m. (Saturday Eve 4:30 p.m.)
 Confessions: Saturday, 4 - 4:25 p.m., Sunday 10:30 - 10:50 a.m.

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 158 N. Barlow Road., Harrisville • (989) 736-6350
 Pastor Edward Morrison • Full Gospel
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 Evening Service 6 p.m. • Family Bible Study 7 p.m. Wednesday

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www.alconareview.com
 For events, local info & much more!

top ten Most Popular CHRISTMAS TREES

1. Fraser fir
2. Douglas fir
3. Balsam fir
4. Colorado blue spruce
5. Scotch pine
6. Eastern red cedar
7. White spruce
8. Eastern white pine
9. White or Concolor fir
10. Virginia pine

Source: Steve Nix, about.com

Calendar of Events

Continued from page 3
 bile safety class for youth ages 12 to 16 at the Robert J. Parks Library in Oscoda from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The class is free of charge. Parents and guardians may attend the class. Space is limited, pre-register by calling David Hanson at (989) 739-4711.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19
 The Thunder Bay Arts Council Community Chorus Holiday Concert will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Alpena High School auditorium. This is a free concert with donations appreciated.

St. Andrew's by the Lake will offer Advent lessons and carols at 9:30 a.m. This will include readings from scripture about the coming of the Savior. All are welcome to attend.

VitalCare Hospice of the Sunrise Shore will have a "Tree of Remembrance" me-

morial service at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Center Building, downtown Alpena. For more information, call (989) 358-1156.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20
 There will be a foot clinic from 1 to 5 p.m. at the senior center in Lincoln. Cost is \$20. Call (989) 736-8879 for appointment.

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.

A video exercise class will be offered at the senior center in Lincoln at 1 p.m.

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 wel-

come. Bring finger food to snack on.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

The Knitting Klub & Crochet Club will meet from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. All levels welcome.

Come and sing at a sing-along at the senior center in Lincoln at 4:15 p.m.

The Alcona Book Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 1 p.m. The selection for December is "Friday Night Knitting Club" by Kate Jacobs. The annual potluck luncheon will be held before the discussion. Bring a dish to pass. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

Bring your own sewing to the sewing circle from 2 to 4 p.m. at the senior center in Lincoln.

A wireless Internet connection set up class for laptop computers 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.

The Barton City Improvement Association will meet at 7 p.m. at the VFW building, 2121 W. Trask Lake Rd. Judging of the community lights will start at 6 p.m. For more information, call (989) 736-3160.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

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 acces-

sible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-4483.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24
 All Alcona area senior centers will be closed through January 3. Centers will re-open on January 4.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27
 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.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28
 The Knitting Klub & Crochet Club will meet from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. All levels welcome.

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29
 A laptop computer personalization and customization 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.

A make-and-take chocolate treats workshop will be offered for teenagers 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 United Way. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information and to register.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30
 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.








MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2011
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2011
 Alcona High School girls home basketball games will be played at 6 p.m., junior varsity, and at 7:30 p.m., varsity, against Hale High School.

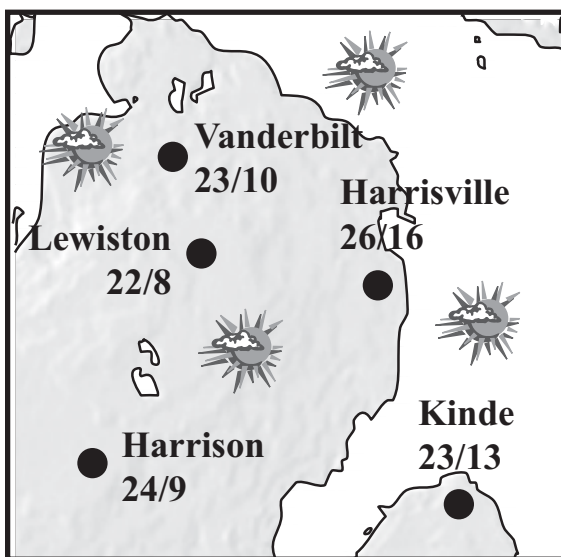
Alcona Review Weather Report

Dec. 15, 2010

Seven Day Forecast

-  **WEDNESDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 26 Low: 16
-  **THURSDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 26 Low: 18
-  **FRIDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 29 Low: 21
-  **SATURDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 30 Low: 21
-  **SUNDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 29 Low: 18
-  **MONDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 32 Low: 18
-  **TUESDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 35 Low: 20

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 26°, humidity of 73% and an overnight low of 16°. The record high temperature for today is 59° set in 1997. The record low is -4° set in 1961. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 26°, humidity of 80% and an overnight low of 18°.

*Last Week's Almanac

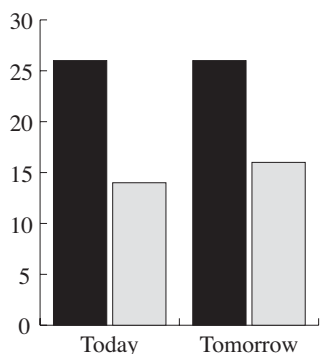
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	23	20	34/20	0.04"
Tuesday	20	17	34/20	0.01"
Wednesday	20	10	33/19	0.00"
Thursday	25	0	33/19	0.01"
Friday	32	24	33/19	0.07"
Saturday	35	25	32/18	0.02"
Sunday	31	10	32/18	0.15"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
Full 12/21	Wednesday 8:03 a.m.	4:54 p.m.	1:06 p.m.	2:11 a.m.	New 1/4
	Thursday 8:04 a.m.	4:54 p.m.	1:31 p.m.	3:15 a.m.	
	Friday 8:04 a.m.	4:54 p.m.	2:02 p.m.	4:19 a.m.	
	Saturday 8:05 a.m.	4:55 p.m.	2:39 p.m.	5:25 a.m.	
Last 12/27	Sunday 8:06 a.m.	4:55 p.m.	3:25 p.m.	6:30 a.m.	First 1/12
	Monday 8:06 a.m.	4:56 p.m.	4:21 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	
	Tuesday 8:07 a.m.	4:56 p.m.	5:27 p.m.	8:24 a.m.	

Wind Chill Graph



The chart shows the average wind chill temperature forecasted for Wednesday and Thursday. The black bar indicates the forecasted high temperature. The grey bar indicates the average wind chill temperature projected.

National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with scattered snow today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 45° in Chicago, Ill. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with a few showers today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 67° in Key West, Fla. The Northwest will see scattered snow today, mostly clear skies Thursday, isolated snow Friday, with the highest temperature of 62° in Colville, Wash. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 80° in Carlsbad, N.M.

Weather History

Dec. 15, 1945 - A record December snowstorm buried Buffalo, N.Y. under 36.6 inches of snow, with unofficial totals south of the city ranging up to 70 inches. Travel was brought to a halt by the storm.

Weather Trivia

Which continent receives the least amount of precipitation?

Answer: Antarctica.

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StarWatch By Gary Becker - Big Geminid Display Anticipated

This coming Tuesday morning, December 14 is when Geminid meteors should be flying at their maximum rates. Geminid meteor activity has been on the rise since the shower's discovery in 1862 because the location of Geminid dross has been shifted ever closer into Earth's orbital plane by Jupiter's gravity. In 1877 rates of 17 meteors per hour were being witnessed, 27 meteors each hour by the century's end. During the twentieth century rates climbed to over 80 events per hour. When I was a teen in the 60's just getting started in astronomy, the Geminids were a major event, but they still paled in contrast to the August Perseids. Now they surpass the Perseids, but are still less observed because of the cold and often cloudy conditions which prevail in December. Geminids, while being the best bet for observing meteor activity if the weather cooperates, is the only shower related to an asteroid. In 1983, 3200 Phaethon was discovered and its orbit quickly connected with the path of Geminid meteors. This gave credence to the belief that many short period comets ended their active days masquerading as minor planets. For North America, meteor activity should increase throughout the night of December 13/14. The highest rates, perhaps as great as two meteors per minute, should be seen just before dawn. You can start observing as early as 10 p.m. Face east, but observe near the zenith. Geminids will be radiating upward from the east. By 2 a.m., face south but continue to look towards the zenith. Gemini will be in your field of view, and Geminids will appear to radiate from an area of the sky near the bright star, Castor. Maps for both of these times are posted in the web version of StarWatch at the URL associated with this article. Observe on December 12/13 if weather conditions will be in the following night. Post maximum rates decrease rapidly. Wishing everyone clear skies... www.astronomy.org.

TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. ARCHITECTURE:** What did ancient Roman aqueducts carry?
- 2. COMPUTERS:** What does DPI measure?
- 3. GEOGRAPHY:** Where does the Albemarle Sound lie?
- 4. MOVIES:** Which well-known film director had planned as a teenager to enter the Roman Catholic priesthood?
- 5. GOVERNMENT:** When was the Federal Communications Commission established?
- 6. LITERATURE:** In poetry, what is an enjambment?
- 7. MUSIC:** Which jazz musician and composer recorded "Giant Steps" in 1960?
- 8. FOOD & DRINK:** What is another common name for corn?
- 9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Who is considered the founder of the birth-control movement in the United States?
- 10. SCIENCE:** What is the disease beriberi caused by?

Answers: 1. Water; 2. Dots Per Inch, which measures resolution in printing; 3. Between North Carolina and the Outer Banks; 4. Martin Scorsese; 5. 1934; 6. One line of poetry runs into another without any end punctuation; 7. John Coltrane; 8. Maize; 9. Margaret Sanger; 10. Thiamine deficiency. (c) 2010 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword LIQUIDITY

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| ACROSS | 62 Coolidge or Gam | 112 — machine | composer | 46 Shout | 93 Mean Marquis |
| 1 Still | 64 Conspires | 113 Stagger | 7 Role for Rigg | 47 Off the mark | 95 "Bonanza" brother |
| 5 Little devils | 66 Where the buoys are | 114 Loretta Young's birthplace | 8 — terrier | 48 Belief | 97 Patella's place |
| 9 Lost a lap | 67 Dachshund or dik-dik | 115 Lawyers' org. | 9 Wine word | 49 Lamb product | 99 Insipid |
| 14 '83 Woody Allen film | 70 Pop | 118 "— pro nobis" | 10 Dam org. | 55 95 Down's real name | 102 Dug in |
| 19 — code | 72 Antipollution grp. | 120 Certain Slav | 11 Acorn, eventually | 56 Big rig | 104 Pie filling |
| 20 Year segment | 73 Porker's palace | 123 Restaurateur | 12 Poems of praise | 58 Bend | 107 Any time now |
| 21 Dodge | 74 With "The," John Irving book | 127 "Angel of the Morning" singer | 13 Spanish explorer | 60 No longer fresh | 108 Flow |
| 22 Beethoven dedicatee | 79 Russian jet | 133 "No, No, Nanette" song | 14 Road to enlightenment | 63 Man or stallion | 109 High rails |
| 23 Melanie Griffith movie | 82 Dogpatch's Daisy — | 135 Actress Eve | 15 Antiquity, archaically | 65 Artistic output | 110 West. alliance |
| 25 W. Somerset Maugham work | 83 Ballet movement | 136 Basketball venue | 16 Novelist O'Flaherty | 68 Big pitcher? | 111 Spirals |
| 27 Check recipient | 84 "Dreaming of You" singer | 137 Valuable | 17 Tropical spot | 69 Tragic monarch | 115 Trojan War hero |
| 28 Marge in the fridge | 87 Private pension | 138 Chiles or Nettleton | 18 Will of "The Waltons" | 71 Laotian native | 116 Raymond of "Godzilla" |
| 30 Impresario Hurok | 88 Insect stage | 139 Baggage checkers? | 24 Catty remark? | 75 Study for exams | 117 "Celeste —" (Verdi aria) |
| 31 "Mal de —" | 90 Canvas cover | 140 Sociable stalling | 26 Baldwin of "Outside Providence" | 76 More macabre | 119 Crooked |
| 32 More than more | 92 Layette fasteners | 141 German river | 29 Lout | 77 Or — (threat words) | 121 Raison d'— |
| 34 Author Martin | 94 Patriot Hale | 142 — lily | 33 It's good in a pinch | 78 "You — Me" ('57 hit) | 122 Authentic |
| 38 Dick Tracy's love | 96 Kind | DOWN | 35 Morticia, to Pugsley | 79 Capital of Belarus | 124 Nebraska native |
| 41 Laura Esquivel novel | 98 Züch | 1 "Friday the 13th" setting | 36 Rainbow goddess | 80 Persian, presently | 125 Baby branch |
| 50 Southern st. | 99 Sardou drama | 2 Sayao solo | 37 Remnant | 81 Los —, CA | 126 Mediocre |
| 51 Green bean | 100 Be nosy | 3 Painter Peter | 39 White House pet | 85 Ruth's mother-in-law | 128 Dodger Ron |
| 52 Artist Joan | 101 Actress Purviance | 4 "You — Feel Like Dancing" ('76 hit) | 40 — gin fizz | 86 Chef's shield? | 129 Minnesota twins? |
| 53 Arrives | 103 Mount-batten's rank | 5 — Jima | 41 Glasgow girl | 88 Stickpin locale | 130 Hamilton bill |
| 54 Most painful | 105 Like Austin Powers | 6 "The Consul" | 42 Actress Massey | 89 Cabinet wood | 131 Out — limb |
| 57 Drivers' lic's., e.g. | 106 Jimmie Rodgers hit | | 43 Designer Donna | 91 Realty map | 132 Slangy negative |
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STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was prolific British author G.K. Chesterton who gave the following sage bit of advice: "Don't ever take a fence down until you know the reason it was put up."
- When Richard Nixon ran for a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives (which he won in 1946), he funded his campaign largely with money he won playing poker while serving as a lieutenant commander in the Navy during World War II.
- From 1863 until 1945, the city of Vicksburg, Miss., didn't celebrate the Fourth of July holiday. This is because during the Civil War, the Confederate city was surrendered to Union forces on that day, an event that was considered to be one of the turning points of the war.
- It was once thought that when snakes went through their version of hibernation they rejuvenated themselves, and therefore that serpents lived forever.
- There's talk everywhere these days about the growing problem posed by the fact that people in the U.S. are becoming more and more overweight. Interestingly, when the International Journal of Obesity was first published, in 1993, it was 509 pages long; the 2006 edition totaled 2,322 pages. Coincidence?
- It was one Dr. Spencer Silver, a chemist, who invented the adhesive used today in Post-it notes, but he had no luck promoting his invention. Six years later, one of his colleagues, Art Fry, came up with a use for it that stuck (so to speak). While sitting in church one day, Fry's attention wandered from the sermon to the scraps of paper he used to mark his place in the hymnal, which kept falling out. Connecting his annoying problem and his friend's invention, the Post-it was born.

Thought for the Day: "Human salvation lies in the hands of the creatively mal-adjusted." — Martin Luther King Jr.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

- On Jan. 1, 45 B.C., New Year's Day is celebrated on January 1 for the first time as the Julian calendar takes effect. In designing his new calendar, Roman ruler Julius Caesar enlisted the aid of Sosigenes, an Alexandrian astronomer, who calculated a year to be 365 and 1/4 days.
- On Dec. 29, 1890, the U.S. Cavalry kills 146 Sioux at Wounded Knee in South Dakota. The cavalry surrounded a band of Ghost Dancers and demanded they surrender their weapons. A brutal massacre followed, with nearly half those killed being women and children.
- On Dec. 30, 1936, in one of the first sit-down strikes in the United States, autoworkers occupy the General Motors Fisher Body Plant in Flint, Mich. The strike lasted 44 days. GM's output went from a robust 50,000 cars in December to just 125 in February.
- On Dec. 27, 1941, the federal Office of Price Administration first begins to ration automobile tires. Only those who demonstrated need were allowed to purchase cars, metal typewriters, bicycles, stoves and rubber shoes. Butter, coffee, sugar, cooking fat, gasoline and non-rubber shoes also were rationed.
- On Jan. 2, 1962, The Weavers, who sparked the folk music revival of the 1950s and '60s, are banned from appearing on NBC when they refuse to sign an oath of political loyalty. The group saw their careers nearly destroyed during the Red Scare of the early 1950s, and they lost their recording contract over their leftist politics.
- On Dec. 28, 1973, Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn's "literary investigation" of the police-state system in the Soviet Union, "The Gulag Archipelago, 1918-1956", is published in the original Russian in Paris. On Feb. 12, 1974, Solzhenitsyn was arrested, stripped of his citizenship and deported.
- On Dec. 31, 1984, Bernhard Goetz, a white man dubbed the "subway vigilante" after he shot four young black men on a New York City subway train, turns himself in at a police station. Goetz was viewed by some people as a hero, fighting back against his attackers. In 1987, a Manhattan jury acquitted Goetz of criminal assault and attempted murder.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
 ★★★ HOO BOY!
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VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on December 6 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. Those present included: President Jordan, treasurer Kossa, clerk Somers, deputy clerk/treasurer Stutzman and council members Gauthier, Healy, Lask, Naylor, Somers and Stutzman. Also present were several guests. Attorney Cook was absent from the meeting. The minutes of the November meeting were approved on a motion from Gauthier with support from Stutzman. The treasurer's report was approved subject to audit on a motion from Gauthier with support from Lask.

Kristy Schulze of Johnson & Schulze Certified Public Accountants gave her overview of the village audit. The village was given a clean/unqualified report for the year ending March 31, 2010. The village is doing well financially. Mary and Linda will be working with the auditors to streamline the new budget. Kristy stated that the village is doing a great job of being financially responsible. A motion was made by Stutzman, with support from Gauthier, to accept the audit report from Johnson & Schulze. Motion carried.

In public comment time the bag ladies stated that they have been volunteering at the baby pantry sponsored by St. Raphael's Church. They noted there hasn't been much activity there recently and they would like to let people know that the service is available for anyone with children infant to the age of five.

Ethan Gauthier was introduced to the council as a prospective new fire fighter for the village. Fire chief Leroy Hall stated that Ethan's background check and physical information have been approved. Hall submitted a report of hours for fire department secretary, Jo Allen for payment. He stated that there are some non emergency repairs to be done on the main fire truck. President Jordan stated that all issues for the fire department and medical first responders need to be run through the fire chief. Thanks to all the personnel who helped out with the Festival of

Lights. Janice MacNeill attended the meeting to discuss issues with the village clock. President Jordan expressed his appreciation for the fine job done by Janice and Craig Kilbourn as the official timekeepers for the clock. In old business, Gauthier asked about the status of the two youngsters involved in the damage to the restrooms. They are moving through the court system in Lapeer County and we are awaiting news of restitution. She also asked about the removal of the docks on Brownlee Lake. Jordan stated that they will be taken out either during the winter or spring. In new business Stutzman asked about purchasing a tree to be lit and decorated somewhere near the hall. It was suggested that a request be put in for inclusion in the new budget. Somers stated that a new roof needs to be put on the village shop. It was suggested that he get an estimate for both buildings. This will give a ball park figure that can be discussed further.

Council members gave reports. Lask stated that she has several photos of Lincoln from years ago that she will bring in to put up in the hall. Gauthier suggested that perhaps other residents have photos they would allow us to have copied and used for that purpose. Gauthier stated that she went to the recent Downtown Development Authority (DDA) meeting and that there was a lot of information brought out regarding the streetscape project. She gave a written report to president Jordan. The next DDA meeting will be held on December 14 at 7 p.m. at the village hall.

A motion was made by Stutzman, with support from Somers, to approve the following dates for council meetings for 2011: January 3, February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, July 5 (Tuesday), August 1, September 6 (Tuesday), October 3, November 7, and December 5. A motion from Stutzman, with support from Somers, to approve the above dates was made.

A motion was made by Stutzman, with support from Naylor, to accept the Village of Lincoln Master

Plan with noted changes. A motion was then made by Gauthier, with support from Healy, to send the master plan out to adjacent communities for review.

President Jordan gave his report. Winners of the Lighting Contest were: First place -- Diana and Jerry Burt, second place -- Sue and Ron Kennard, third place -- June and Joe Lincoln and fourth place -- Kay and Ralph Diamond. The travelling trophy for business went to John's Home Maintenance.

A resolution to designate Phil Jordan as certifying officer environmental review process for Traverse Bay Street Streetscape was presented. A motion was made by Healy, with support from Stutzman, to accept the following resolution. The resolution reads: Whereas the Village of Lincoln declares that the proposed Traverse Bay Street Streetscape Project, application/grant number MSC 209174-ICE will greatly benefit the citizens of the Village of Lincoln, and

Whereas the Village of Lincoln has requested the state of Michigan to release federal funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for the Traverse Bay Street Streetscape Project, and

Whereas the Village of Lincoln Downtown Development Authority has committed funds for this project, and

Whereas the environmental review process is now being conducted regarding this project, Now therefore it be resolved that Phil Jordan, the village president of the Village of Lincoln, is hereby designated as the certifying officer for the environmental review process for the Traverse Bay Street Streetscape Project.

A roll call vote was taken: Gauthier, Healy, Lask, Naylor, Somers, Stutzman -- all ayes. Motion carried. The sewer committee has met several times to come up with a solution for resolving issues pertaining to the sewer system. Gauthier stated that she would like to see some other changes

made down the road. Jordan stated that this is a great place to start. Customer numbers would be changed to match individual tank numbers. Letters would be sent to each customer explaining the changes and it is hoped that these changes could be put into effect for the new budget year beginning April 1, 2011. Businesses that serve food would be required to install a grease trap between the building and the tank at the owner's expense if it is deemed necessary. An ordinance to cover businesses that are washing cars may have to have a sediment trap installed between the building and tank if deemed necessary. All changes that are proposed would be sent to attorney Cook for review.

President Jordan went over the recommendations with council members. A motion to accept the recommendations of the sewer committee was made by Gauthier with support from Somers. Motion carried.

Jordan thanked Mary and Linda for their help with doing village business. Jordan wished village residents and council members happy holidays. He stated that he is looking forward to a great new year and we are on the verge of some wonderful new things for the community.

A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Somers with support from Lask. A motion to adjourn was made by Gauthier with support from Healy. Carried.

Linda K. Somers
 Village Clerk

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such

case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on December 29, 2010.

Said premises are situated in township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 353 and 354 Huron-Cedar Lakes Subdivision No. 2 as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of plats, page 91 of Alcona County records; and Lot 2, Timberlakes Estates, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of plats, pages 8-9 of Alcona County records.

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. Dated: December 1, 2010

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12-1, 12-8, 12-15, 12-22

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jonathan Bumgardner and Brenda L. Bumgardner, his wife, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated April 21, 2004, and recorded on August 27, 2004, in Liber 405, on page 1,329, and assigned by said mortgagee to First American Funding, LLC, as assigned, Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred fifty-six thousand seventy-eight dollars and six cents (\$156,078.06), including interest at 7.375 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 mortgage will be fore-

closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. o'clock, on January 5, 2011. Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: Commencing at the northwest corner of Section 22 thence south 840 feet to the point of beginning thence south 840 feet east 311 feet thence north 840 feet thence west 311 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 12 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: December 1, 2010
First American Funding, LLC
Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive,
Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
12-8- 12-15, 12-22, 12-29

Mortgage Sale

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Notice is hereby given that default has occurred in a mortgage given by Roger S. Perkins and Carolyn Perkins, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Independent Bank, mortgagee. The mortgage is dated May 25, 2006, and was recorded on June 6, 2006, in Liber 431 on page 766 of the Alcona County records. The balance owing on the mortgage as of the date of this notice is \$85,606.93, including interest at 24 percent per year variable. The mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on January 12, 2011, at 10 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Alcona County Court Facility, 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Michigan, that being the place of holding circuit court for Alcona County, Michigan.

The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees

and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the township of Curtis, county of Alcona, Michigan and is described as: Lot 7, Block 2 of Rainbow Crest Subdivision, Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof. Commonly known as 5010 Pine Street, Glennie, MI 48737. Tax I.D. 032-195-002-007-00

The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later.
Smith, Martin, Powers & Knier, P.C.
Dated: December 3, 2010
By: Henry L. Knier Jr. (P46393)
Attorney for Independent Bank, Mortgagee
900 Washington Ave.,
P.O. Box 219
Bay City, MI 48707
(989) 892-4574
12-8, 12-15, 12-22, 12-29

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Heather Jean Dunn Phinney and Michael D. Phinney, wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, mortgagee, dated January 23, 2004, and recorded on January 30, 2004, in Liber 396, on page 784, and assigned by said mortgagee to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as trustee, as assigned, Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred fifty-nine thousand three hundred twenty-three dollars and twenty-one cents (\$159,323.21), including interest at 6.625 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such

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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 Richard J. Porkarski Jr., a single man of Alcona County, Michigan, mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated the 27th day of October, A.D. 2008, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 7th day of November, A.D. 2008, as book 456, page 1,357 of Alcona records, which said mortgage was assigned to GMAC Mortgage, LLC, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$95,107.74 (ninety-five thousand

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Notice is hereby provided to William R. Johnson, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter borrower) regarding the property located at: 4475 Sunset Dr., Glennie, MI 48737-9538. The borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern

case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. o'clock, on January 5, 2011. Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: Commencing at the northeast corner of Section 14, Town 26 North, Range 9 East, Harrisville Township, Alcona County, Michigan; thence south 89 degrees 11 minutes 16 seconds west along the north line of said section and the centerline of M-72 highway, 1,325.90 feet; thence south 00 degrees 34 minutes 32 seconds east along the west line of the west 1/2 of the east 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section, 1,311.83 feet; thence north 89 degrees 21 minutes 47 seconds east along the north 1/8 line of said section 238.26 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 89 degrees 21 minutes 47 seconds east along said 1/8 line 424.26 feet; thence south 00 degrees 33 minutes 39 seconds east

Company, as trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-two thousand six hundred twenty-three and 48/100 dollars (\$52,623.48), including interest at 8.35 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 mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m., on January 5, 2011.

Said premises are situated in township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: Town 25 North, Range 6 East, Section 33, commencing at the northwest corner of the

one hundred seven and 74/100) plus accrued interest at 6.500 percent (six point five zero zero) percent per annum. 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 statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 12th day of January, A.D., 2011, 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, MI, 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: Situated in the state of Michigan, county

along the east line of the west 1/2 of the east 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section, 653.85 feet; thence south 89 degrees 32 minutes 19 seconds west along the north line of the south 40 rods, of the west 1/2 of the east 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section 473.11 feet; thence north 03 degrees 42 minutes 48 seconds east, 654.28 feet to the point of beginning. Having rights for ingress and egress over an easement shown on a survey recorded in Liber 277, pages 708-709, Alcona County records.

The redemption period shall be 12 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: December 6, 2010
Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as Trustee
Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive,
Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
12-8, 12-15, 12-22, 12-29

northeast 1/4 of the northwest 1/4, thence south 450 feet, thence east 230 feet, thence northwesterly to the point on the north line, 175 feet east to the point of beginning, west 175 to the point of beginning, Alcona County records.

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.

Dated: December 8, 2010
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of Alcona, township of Curtis and described as: Lots 64 and 65, Bryant Acres Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of plats pages 62-63 of Alcona County records.

Commonly known as: 4894 Quick Road. Parcel Number 032-125-000-064-00. 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: December 15, 2010
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., 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. 10046799
12-15, 12-22, 12-29, 1-5, 2011

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Date: December 15, 2010
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m., on January 12, 2011.

Said premises are situated in township of Mikado, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The east 338 feet of the west 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Township 25 North, Range 8 East, excepting therefrom the north 1,340.0 feet. And, that part of the south-

west 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Township 25 North, Range 8 East, described and commencing at the southwest corner of said Section 16, thence east along the south section line 360.0 feet to the point of beginning, thence continuing east 619.60 feet, thence north 0 degrees 07 minutes 36 seconds west 1,301.63 feet, thence north 89 degrees 44 minutes 22 seconds west 243.29 feet, thence south 0 degrees 05 minutes east 900.00 feet, thence north 89 degrees 44 minutes 22 seconds west 370.0 feet, thence south 0 degrees 05 minutes east 403.94 feet to the point of beginning, less and excepting that part of the southwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Township 25 North, Range 8 East, described as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner of Section 16, Township 25 North, Range 8 East, thence due east along the south line of said section and the centerline of Vandercook Road, 360.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 00 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds west 213.00 feet; thence due east 204.51 feet; thence south 00 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds east 213.00 feet; thence due west 204.51 feet to the point of beginning.

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.

Dated: December 15, 2010
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1304
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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Henry Stickney and Sharon Stickney, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, mortgagee, dated May 17, 2005, and recorded on May 18, 2005 in Liber 416 on page 1,082, in Alcona County records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee for structured asset investment loan trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-7 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty-three thousand eight hundred seventy-four and 92/100 dollars (\$43,874.92), including interest at 7.7 percent per annum.

Notice Pursuant to MCL 600.3205a(4)

Notice is hereby provided to David Chalifour, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter borrower) regarding the property located at: 4300 E. F-30, Mikado, MI 48745-9620.

The borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the mortgage servicer and/or mortgage holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1300. The borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at <http://www.michigan.gov/mshda> or at (866) 946-7432.

If the borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m., on January 12, 2011.

Said premises are situated in township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 1 and 2 of Block 2 of Burton's Addition to Village of Greenbush, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 9, Alcona County records.

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.

Dated: December 15, 2010
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File No. 351989F01
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14 days from December 13, 2010, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after December 13, 2010.

If the borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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CALEDONIA TWP. MINUTES

The regular Caledonia Township board meeting on December 8 was called to order by supervisor Brown with the pledge to the flag. Present: Brown, Timm, Thornton, Ott and Scott. Zoning Administrator Nancy Beck absent. Also present 33 citizens. Motion to approve agenda with additions. Motion to approve the minutes of November 10. Correspondence: Liquor Control Commission, Miss Dig, board of review seminar. Motion to pay the bills. Motion to place treasurer's report on file.

Planning commission report: Our attorney approved the revised township application form. Some members of the board are asking if the township board would consider budgeting \$10,000 to create a new zoning ordinance book. Vichunas has been working on the ordinance book and thinks she might have it ready in the next few months. They set the dates for meetings in 2011. John, Jeremy and Nick would like a subscription to the "Michigan Township News." Zoning administrator report: C. Burke has cleaned front of his property, J. Mace-Z.A. will continue to monitor. Cellere-Verizon antenna on Hubert Road will be replacing the antennas on their unit; no changes in size or number of antennas. Thunder Bay Power--Scott Klabunde presented parking agreement with the township at Northend Park. It was reviewed and suggestions were to change referral of "town" to "township" and to include construction of roadway from our entrance drive to parking area.

Opened to the public for discussion on Waterways Grant between Caledonia Township and Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNRE) for improvements at Northend Park the sum of \$190,934. The township's share is 50 percent of that. Many spoke in favor of the project and the cost was discussed as far as cutting back or trimming the plans. Motion that township board accept Waterways Grant Agreement. Township's cost \$95,467. Three ayes, two nays, motion carried. Ruth Hess questioned progress on clean up at Jack garage; we'll let Nancy know to follow up. Motion to reappoint John Preston and Nick Williams to the planning commission. Motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. All motions at the meeting were passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Planning Commission meets January 3. Our website is Caledoniatwp.net.

Helen Timm
Clerk

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