

DNR Case

Three defendants waive prelims, make plea agreements

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

Three defendants in the Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) case are negotiating plea agreements with Alcona County Prosecutor Thomas J. Weichel.

On December 1, 2009 six Harrisville residents — Jeffery J. Sikorski, Stanley J.

Sikorski, Robert S. Clayton, Thomas M. Armstrong and Amy L. Staniski — were arrested as a result of a three-month undercover operation by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' Special Investigations Unit and Commercial Fish Enforcement Unit. To date, five of the six arrested have waived their preliminary examinations. Four have already made plea agreements, three are awaiting sentencing and two have been sentenced.

On February 10 Robert S. Clayton, 47, of Harrisville waived his preliminary examination hearing and pleaded guilty to three misdemeanors — using marijuana (on November 15, 2009), general wildlife violation — baiting deer in a no baiting area and carrying an

uncased firearm on an off road vehicle (ORV) on November 28, 2009.

He was originally charged with a total of seven counts, including three felony counts of aiding and abetting a felon in possession of a firearm and four misdemeanor charges including possession of marijuana; use of marijuana; carrying a loaded firearm on an ORV; and one count of general wildlife violation.

Clayton's bond has been continued until his sentencing on March 10 at 9 a.m. in 81st District Court.

Thomas M. Armstrong, 45, of Harrisville pleaded guilty to driving while license suspended, revoked, denied (on November 27, 2009) and to using marijuana (on November 15, 2009). He was origi-

nally charged with possession of marijuana, use of marijuana and operating a motor vehicle while license is suspended. His bond has been continued and he will be sentenced on March 10 at 9 a.m.

On February 3 Jeffery Sikorski, 40, of Harrisville waived his preliminary examination. All of the charges — felony and misdemeanors — were bound over to 23rd Circuit Court and he was arraigned in that court on February 9. He is charged with four felony counts of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 56 misdemeanor counts including, one count of carrying a loaded firearm in a motor vehicle; one count of delivery of marijuana; six counts of hunting without a license; four counts

of hunting without hunter orange; nine counts of possession of marijuana; seven counts with use of marijuana; five counts of open intoxicants in a motor vehicle; four counts of general wildlife violations; 14 counts of taking fish with illegal devices; three counts of fishing in a closed trout stream; and two counts of illegal sale of fish.

Sikorski remains lodged in the Alcona County Jail. He is scheduled to appear in circuit court on March 9 at 10 a.m. He will appear in 81st District Court on March 10 for a status conference on any remaining misdemeanor charges.

On February 10 Amy L. Staniski, 33, of Harrisville

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Methodone causes Glennie man's death

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

A Glennie woman has been charged with the death of a Glennie man, by way of delivering drugs he consumed.

Dawn Marie Like, 47, was arraigned in 81st District Court on January 28 on the charge of delivery of a controlled substance causing death.

Like allegedly delivered the controlled substance to John G. Barry Jr., 50, who died on November 4, 2009 in Curtis Township. According to an amended death certificate dated January 25, Barry's cause of death was "drug intoxication/drug overdose of methodone."

According to Alcona County Prosecuting Attorney Thomas J. Weichel, delivery of a controlled substance causing death is a felony and carries a penalty of life or any term of years in prison.

A preliminary hearing date is scheduled for March 10 at 11 a.m. Like has been released on a \$50,000 cash surety bond.



Jerry Burt and Vi Schmitz, two route drivers for the home-delivered meals program provided by the Alcona County Commission on Aging, show off the new wheels. *Courtesy photo.*

Senior meals program sees improvement with new truck

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Special to the Review

Home-delivered meals are arriving on a new set of "wheels" in Alcona County, thanks to a new vehicle purchased by the Alcona County Commission on Aging.

The commission put a new 2010 Chevy Colorado with extended cab and four-wheel drive into service at the beginning of the year, according to Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA) President Everett Leeseberg. The truck features an oven, which holds about 100 warm meals and a freezer unit, which holds about 200 frozen meals, he said.

"Our old van that served the east side of the county was so bad," Leeseberg said, "that when they would stop and deliver meals, it sometimes had to have a nudge to

get it to go again." The new vehicle, purchased with millage and fundraising dollars, cost \$34,000, he said, with the freezer-oven unit running \$12,088.

The truck, ordered through Delivery Concept of Elkhart, Ind. and built by General Motors, Leeseberg said, was actually the second vehicle built for the commission. The first, which was scheduled to be delivered six to eight weeks earlier, was lost somewhere between the factory and its delivery to the senior center in Lincoln. "We were in dire straits," Leeseberg said, "Delivery Concepts let us use their own vehicle for about three weeks. But," he added, "now that we've got it, it's wonderful."

The ACCOA delivers approximately 2,000 home-delivered meals a month on its

east side run, which includes Harrisville, Lincoln and the Greenbush area. An additional 500 meals are delivered on the west side run in the Glennie area, according to Senior Center Director Susan Krey. In addition, the Lincoln, Greenbush and Glennie sites serve approximately 1,000 congregate (in-center) meals each month.

Congregate meals are available to any individual in the county, Krey emphasized, regardless of age. Individuals 60 and older and their spouse are requested to make a donation of \$2.50 per meal. Non-senior individuals are asked to donate \$5 per meal, she said.

Meals are served Monday through Thursday in Lincoln and Greenbush, and Mon-

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

A Caledonia Township official is facing a felony charge and is scheduled to appear in 81st District Court next week for a preliminary examination.

Caledonia Township Supervisor Roxanne Brown, 51, of Hubbard Lake has been charged with larceny by false pretenses over \$1,000 and less than \$20,000. She was arraigned in 81st District Court on February 10.

According to a press release from Alcona County Prosecutor Thomas J. Weichel, the investigation was conducted by Michigan State Trooper John Grimshaw. His investigation found that Brown allegedly made false statements or pretences to the township board in order to obtain a reimbursement of \$1,587 for appraisal classes and millage — which she was not entitled to.

"After trooper Grimshaw began his investigation, Ms. Brown refunded the money to the township," Weichel said.

Larceny by false pretenses over \$1,000 and less than \$20,000 carries a penalty of up to five years and or \$10,000, or three times the value of the money involved, whichever is greater, Weichel said.

Brown is scheduled for a preliminary hearing on February 24 at 11 a.m.

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Obituaries

Robert W. Gratz II

Robert W. Gratz II, 57, of Waterford, Mich. died on Thursday, Feb. 11, 2010.

He was born December 3, 1952 in Pontiac, Mich. to Robert W. Sr. and Marilea "Pat" (Sellen) Gratz.

He is survived by three children; three grandchildren; his mother, Pat of Mikado; and two sisters, Susan (David) Stamey and Lynne (Gary) Thornthwaite.

His father preceded him in death in 2005.

Cremation has taken place. Arrangements were handled by Coats Funeral Home in Waterford, Mich.

Sheryl A. Trzcinski

Sheryl Ann Trzcinski, 63, Harrisville died Sunday, Feb. 14, 2010 at the Alpena Medical Regional Medical Center.

She was born September 20, 1946 to Emmett and Rosemary (Gephardt) Ruhl in Louisville, Ky. where she was raised.

She received a master's degree from Michigan State University.

On August 26, 1995 she married Richard E. Trzcinski Sr. A resident of Harrisville since 1995, she was a member of the Haynes Community Church where she was a former secretary and was a member of its ladies aid.

Mrs. Trzcinski is survived by her husband, Richard; one daughter, Jessica Van Dyne (Jamie) Evans of Mill Village, Nova Scotia, Canada; one son, Chris Van Dyne of Elmira, N.Y.; six grandchildren, Brandon, Kayla and LeAnn Kennedy, Adam Trzcinski, Rosemary Van Dyne Evans and Cassidy Evans; her parents, Emmett and Rosemary Ruhl of Louisville, Ky.; one sister, Kathy (Charlie) Hughes of State College, Pa.; one brother, Richard (Debbie) Ruhl of Louisville, Ky.; three step children, Lori Kennedy of Garden City, Mich., Richard (Cindy) Trzcinski Jr. of Livonia, Mich. and Mark Trzcinski of Coldwater, Mich.

Visitation is at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln on Friday Feb. 19 from 11 a.m. until the funeral at 4 p.m. The Rev. Claire Duncan will officiate.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Jean L. Apsey

Jean L. Apsey, 84, of Saginaw, Mich. died on Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2010 at Cartwright Hospice Residence.

She was born on August 28, 1925 to John Samuel and Martha Josephine (Tieglund) Radil.

She married Charles W. Apsey on December 28, 1950 in Shevlin, Minn.

Mrs. Apsey completed a bachelor's degree at the University of Minnesota in education and music.

Her first teaching job was at the Harrisville High School. She also taught in Zilwaukee, Mich. and the Saginaw Public Schools.

Mrs. Apsey was an active member of Our Saviour Lutheran Church, she also sang in the choir. She enjoyed line dancing, was a member of the Michigan Retired School Personnel and volunteered for the Saginaw Township Election Committee.

After her retirement she enjoyed traveling and spending time with her grandchildren, and their many band activities.

Mrs. Apsey is survived by one son, Timothy (Penny) Apsey of Chesaning, Mich.; one daughter, Kimberly (Don Lidbeck) Apsey of Iron Mountain, Mich.; two grandchildren, Katie Elizabeth Apsey of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Patrick John Apsey of Saginaw, Mich.; one sister-in-law, LaVern Apsey, of Birmingham, Mich.; two nieces, Cheri (Dennis) Cleary, of Madison Heights, Mich. and Linda (Larry) Somers, of Lincoln.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles, on June 25, 1994; and many brothers and sisters-in-law.

A funeral service was held Monday, Feb. 15, at Our Saviour Lutheran Church, in Saginaw, Mich. Interment was in Roselawn Mausoleum. Arrangements were handled by Deisler Funeral Home in Saginaw, Mich.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

We the voters need to vote change regarding our road commission. On their books they have zero tolerance regarding stealing. When caught stealing, you were fired.

One person got caught stealing last fall, second offence, and all he got was a slap on the wrist. No matter what your last name is, or who you know, rules are to be enforced.

Karen Sharboneau
Lincoln

DNR

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was sentenced in 81st District court to six months probation for use of marijuana. However, if she successfully completes the terms of her probation the charge will be dismissed from her record.

Stanley J. Sikorski 44, of Harrisville is set for a preliminary hearing at 10 a.m. on February 17. He was charged with six felonies including maintaining a drug house, two counts of delivery/manufacture of marijuana and three counts of possession of marijuana, second offense. His misdemeanor charges include four counts of use of marijuana; carrying a loaded firearm on an off-road vehicle (ORV); operating an ORV on a public highway, operating an ORV while license is suspended and open intoxicants in a motor vehicle. He is out on bond.

George John Miller, 36, of Harrisville was sentenced on January 27 to \$1,145 in fines and court costs; \$870 in restitution and 58 days in jail, with credit for 58 days for time served for two counts of selling sport fish without a commercial license; three counts of using an illegal fishing device (gaff hook); and two counts of fishing a trout stream (Mill Creek) out of season.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2000/2010

Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	Feb. 7	25		15	0.00	4.7
Feb. 8	28	12	0.00	1.1	15	NNE
Feb. 9	28	17	0.02	12.1	30	NE
Feb. 10	25	18	0.05	9.5	33	NNE
Feb. 11	31	13	0.00	0.7	12	NW
Feb. 12	32	19	0.00	0.8	10	NE
Feb. 13	29	19	T	0.8	14	N

2009-2010 Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.07	2.6	0.30
February to Date	0.07	2.6	0.60
Year/Season to Date	0.46	15.8	2.36

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, FEBRUARY 17

The food pantry is open at the Spruce Lutheran Church from 1 to 3 p.m. No qualifications required although ID must be shown and person must be present to receive food. Food is available per individual one time per month.

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

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held at the Lincoln Senior Center, 297 S. Church Street, from 12 noon to 5:45 p.m. To schedule an appointment to donate, call 1-800-448-3543 or visit www.RedCrossBlood.org.

The Lincoln Writing Group will meet at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library at 1 p.m. Call (989) 736-3388 for more information.

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held at the Alpena High School, 3303 S. 3rd St. from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. To schedule an appointment to donate, call 1-800-448-3543 or visit www.RedCrossBlood.org.

Meet at the Harrisville United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. for the first of a six-week series of non-traditional, non-denominational gatherings to add positive experiences and spiritual growth to your life. Following gatherings will be on Tuesday evenings. Open to everyone. For more information, or for transportation to the gathering, call (989) 724-6266.

Parents, grandparents and caregivers are invited to attend a free "Power of Parenting" workshop from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in room 106 of the Center Building at Alpena Community College. Child care is available for children ages one and older. Call (989) 356-2880 or 1-800-354-2880 to register before February 15 as space is limited.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

John Webster from Tait's Bill of Fare will present a dessert demonstration at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at noon. There is no charge. Call (989) 724-6796 by February 12 to register.

TOPS No. MI 1502 Mikado

meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. Everyone welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 739-4483.

Tiny Tot Story Time will be at the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library from 10 to 11 a.m. for children ages 0 to 24 months old accompanied by an adult. Stories will be short and play time will follow. No registration is needed.

The Community Walking Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 9 a.m. This is for everyone.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free bags, bookmarks, refreshments and prizes.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free bags, bookmarks, refreshments and prizes.

The Knights of Columbus Council 4235 will have a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. at Maria Hall in Harrisville. Menu includes fried and baked fish, French fries, cole slaw, roll, drinks and dessert. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$3.50 for children.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

The public is invited to the Mid Winter Carnival and Alcona County Relay of Life Kick-Off at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 S. Church Street, from 1 to 4 p.m. There will be clowns, games, prizes and family fun. Ten free tickets with every \$3 admission at the door. Free kick-off reception from 4 to 5 p.m. Children must be accompanied by an adult. All proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society Relay for Life Annual Event in Alcona County. For more information, call Laura at (989) 736-8312 or Terry at (989) 335-0772.

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free bags, bookmarks, refreshments and prizes.

The Mikado American Legion is hosting an icicle horseshoe tournament beginning with registration at 11:30 a.m. There will be trophies and door prizes. Any donations for door prizes appreciated. One hundred percent of money collected will be donated to the Haiti Relief Fund. For more information, call Earl at (989) 739-6234.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

A presentation by renowned speaker David Paul Eich on "Helping Haiti" will be given at St. John the Bap-

tist Catholic Church, 2550 S. First, Alpena, at 2:30 p.m. A free will offering for Haiti will be collected after the presentation. Refreshments served. A question and answer session will follow in the social room.

A revival meeting with Bishop David Morrison will be held at the Solid Rock Church of God, 158 N. Barlow Road, across from the Alcona Health Center in Lincoln, at 6 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

There will be a family movie matinee at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library from 2 to 4 p.m. Enjoy a newly released DVD and theater style popcorn. Call (989) 736-3388 for details.

A preschool story time will be at the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library from 10 to 11 a.m. for children ages 4 to 5 years old accompanied by an adult. Stories will be accompanied by songs and finger plays to help children prepare for school. No registration is needed.

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.

There will be a drop in craft project for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 1:30 p.m.

Enjoy a free lunch at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 1:30 p.m. This is the conclusion celebration of "Love Your Library Month" and there will be a drawing for prizes at 1:30 p.m.

A revival meeting with Bishop David Morrison will be held at the Solid Rock Church of God, 158 N. Barlow Road, across from the Alcona Health Center in Lincoln, at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

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

Help will be available for preparing federal and Michigan tax returns for all seniors and low income individuals at no cost from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 S. Church Street. Bring proof of all income, property tax statements and payments or rent information, heating costs, all dependents' social security numbers and last year's tax returns. If filing for the first time homebuyer credit, residential energy efficiency credit or new vehicle sales tax deduction, bring sale documents/receipts that


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Monday, March 8, 2010 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m.
Wednesday, March 10, 2010 1-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 2 at 10:30 a.m., to examine the Assessment Roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. By board resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 10, 2010.

Appearing below are the recommended tentative Equalization Ratios and Estimated Multipliers as provided by Alcona Equalization Department.

Ratios Multipliers

Agricultural	51.91	0.9632
Commercial	52.26	0.9567
Industrial	49.75	1.0050
Residential	54.21	0.9223
Timber Cutover	N/A	N/A
Development	N/A	N/A
Personal Property	50.00	1.000

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Local Notes

Correction

In two recent stories regarding a lawsuit filed by the Alcona County Board of Commissioners against Rehman Robson Accounting, a Saginaw, Mich. accounting firm, reference was made to \$2.3 million in losses sustained by the county. Although it should be noted that no specific dollar figure is included in the case complaint filed on the county's behalf, the amount of money embezzled by former treasurer Thomas Katona should be \$1.2 million. The Review apologizes for any confusion this may have caused.

Calling All Poetry Lovers

Poets of all ages are invited to present their favorite poems to enhance the "Love Your Library" celebration at an open microphone afternoon of poetry and music. On Thursday, Feb. 25, from 4 to 6 p.m. Sandra Manning and Susan Armstrong will provide the lead for this presentation of verse and music. Call (989) 724-6796 to express poetic interest. Enthusiastic audience encouraged to attend.

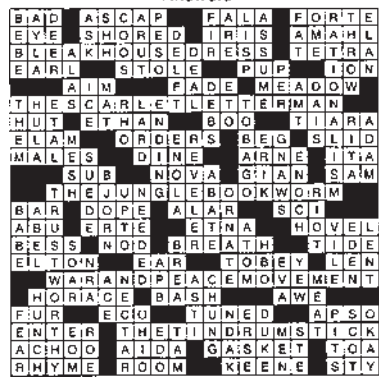
New Arrival

• Peyton Marie Weir is the new daughter of Jodi and Nathan Weir of Alpena. She was born on Thursday, Jan. 21, 2010 at Alpena Regional Medical Center. She joins two brothers, Lucas, 4, and Clark, 15 months. She is the granddaughter of David and Ruth Phinney of Harrisville and Bill and Ann Weir of Ossineke. She is the great-granddaughter of Howard Phinney of Harrisville and Audrey Weir of Ossineke.

• Henrik Aaron Healy is the new son of Sara and Aaron Healy of Lincoln. He was born

Super Crossword

Answers



on Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010 at Alpena Regional Medical Center. He weighed six pounds, six ounces and was 20 inches long. He is the grandson of Steven and Karen Healy of Harrisville and Richard and Mary Gillies of Barton City. He is the great-grandson of Elsie Healy of Harrisville, Dick and Ruth Gillies of Lincoln, and Elizabeth McArthur of Harrisville.

Winter Picnic and Craft

The Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library is hosting an indoor winter picnic on Monday, Feb. 22 from noon - 1:30 p.m. Everybody is invited to attend this free lunch (hot dogs plus other goodies) in the conference room and gourmet hotdogs will be grilled outdoors to get that real summertime flavor. Lunch served with a smile by the library staff as part of "Love Your Library" month. Before, during or after lunch, kids are invited to participate in a fun drop-in craft (no school in Alcona that day). Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Relax with Yoga

Jean Prevo, Alpena fitness instructor, is back with an hour-long yoga workout at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Tuesday, Feb. 23 at 7 p.m. Improve posture, stretch muscles and relax with these simple poses. All ages and fitness levels welcome. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or towel. No registration necessary; call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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, February 22—Sausage bake with red potatoes, baby carrots and onions, pineapple cheddar salad and peaches.
- Tuesday, February 23—Taco salad with meat, beans, cheese and chips, lettuce, tomatoes, broccoli with dip and fruit.
- Wednesday, February 24—Boiled dinner, carrots, red potatoes, cabbage, coleslaw and fruit.
- Thursday, February 25—Meat and cheese pizza, bread sticks, carrot sticks, American blend salad and fruit.
- Friday, February 26—Bean soup, fish sandwich, Prince Charles blend vegetables and fruit. (Glennie center only.)

Pressure to be perfect

Teenage years can be tricky for both young girls and their parents. Join the Alpena Regional Medical Center (ARMC) Development

Council's Community Outreach Committee at "Pressure to be Perfect" and tackle those tough questions girls have about their bodies, looks, and how they feel about themselves.

This program is directed toward girls ages nine to 13, accompanied by a female companion. All sessions are presented by professionals in the areas of psychology, body image, nutrition, self-esteem and biological body changes. Topics include:

- "How Do I See Myself?" with Judy MacNeill, ARMC organizational development.
- "Don't Sweat the Small Stuff" with Tracie Werblow, assistant manager, Bay Athletic Club.
- "What is Happening to My Body?" with Deb Naylor, ARMC Women's Health Unit.
- "What is She Telling Me?" with Nena Sork, Alpena Therapy Associates
- "Q&A" for young women with Deb Naylor.
- "Be Brave. Be Beautiful. Be Yourself!" with Cindy Griffore-Straley, owner of Sophisticuts Salon.

The program is Saturday, March 13, from 8:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. in the ARMC Health Resource Center Theater. Registration fee is \$20 in advance as limited seating is available. A lunch is provided. To register call (989) 356-7351 or e-mail: adiamond@agh.org.

St. Joseph Scholarship

St. Joseph Health System Foundation is providing a scholarship program as a sound investment in area youths' pursuit of continuing education. Through the generosity of the St. Joseph Volunteer Family and that of individual donors, two \$500 community scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors or graduates from Alcona, Arenac-Eastern, Au Gres, Hale, Oscoda, Tawas or Whittemore-Prescott who will pursue a career in a health care related field. Eligibility guidelines and scholarship applications are available through the high school counseling offices or by calling the foundation at (989) 362-0159. Applications must be received by April 14 with award announcements made in early May.

Auxiliary Scholarship

The Alpena Regional Medical Center (ARMC) Auxiliary is offering two \$1,500 scholarships for students pursuing a course of study related to human medicine at any state accredited Michigan college or university. Those interested in obtaining a scholarship may secure an application from one of the following locations: The Gift Corner (located in main lobby of hospital), the ARMC Information Desk, the ARMC nursing department and the Marketing & Development Department on the third floor. The following are eligibility requirements for the scholarship: Must be a resident of

Bowling

Early Bloomers

February 9

Buttercups	114	54
Daffodils	111	57
Tigerlilys	99.5	68.5
Violets	94.5	73.5
Marigolds	77.5	90.5
Rosebuds	77.5	90.5
Bluebells	58	110
Mums	40	128
Individual high game and series:	Gina Broadwood, 178 and 521.	
Team high game:	Tigerlilys, 458.	
Team high series:	Violets, 1,269.	

Wednesday Nite Women's

February 10

Alcona Abstract	147	63
Abend Bros.	124	86
Animal Clinic	123.5	86.5
Moosetales	120	90
Udder Team	113	97
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Stoney Acres	70.5	139.5
JB's Auto	59.5	150.5
High game:	Annette Brueggeman, 205.	
High series:	Carol Wenzel, 545.	
High handicap game:	Annette Brueggeman, 258.	
High handicap series:	Carol Wenzel, 680.	

Majors

February 13

Ford Trio	45	9
Fireballs	39	15
Ramrod	30	24
8 Ball	18	36
Neons	17	37
No Names	13	41
Boy's high game and series:	Jimmy Budreau, 207 and 505.	
Boy's high handicap game:	Michael Briseno, 255.	
Boy's high handicap series:	Keegan Kruttlin, 679.	
Girl's high game and series:	Megan Griffith, 147 and 429.	
Girl's high handicap game:	Kandace Gonyea, 236.	
Girl's high handicap series:	Kara Gonyea, 675.	

Minors

February 13

Fantastics	10	0
Sparkles	10	0
Black Widows	7	3
Bulldogs	5	5
Wolverines	5	5
Flaming Scorp.	3	7
Red Dragons	0	10
Tigers	0	10
Boy's high game and series:	Cory Hoffman, 124 and 213.	
Boy's high handicap game and series:	Cory Hoffman, 242 and 449.	
Girl's high game and series:	Raegan Eller, 134 and 220.	
Girl's high handicap game and series:	Raegan Eller, 254 and 460.	

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day through Friday in Glennie, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Home-delivered meals, delivered Monday through Thursday, with frozen meals available for weekends, are available for homebound senior individuals and their spouses or caregivers. Individuals interested in accessing the meal programs can contact Krey at (989) 736-8899.

The west side of the county has also seen a change as the Glennie congregate meal program moved into the former Glennie Elementary School at the beginning of the year. "It's a beautiful center," Krey said, "And it's working for us very well."

Krey's goal for 2010 includes increasing the use of the Lincoln Senior Center by individuals of all ages. "The building is open all day," she said, "There's no reason people can't use it all day. We would really like to see people start using it as a community center."

The building offers a walking area, a computer area and room for many activities such as quilting, sewing, cards and crafts, she said.


In addition, Krey said, the center is looking for volunteers of any age to answer phones and help with other office activities. Interested individuals can call the number above.

Local Notes

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Alpena, Alcona, Presque Isle, Montmorency, Iosco or Oscoda counties. Applicant must also be a second-year student. The completed application and attachments must be received in the volunteer office of ARMC post-marked no later than April 12. If asked, the applicant must arrange an interview with the scholarship chair or his/her designated alternate.

Former scholarship applicants may re-apply, contingent upon meeting all the current requirements of the application process. The applicants will be notified of the final decision made by the Scholarship Committee after May 1. The recipients will be expected to attend the ARMC Auxiliary Banquet, May 27, to be recognized.



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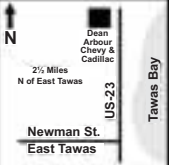
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Tigers' struggles continue

By Ron Yokom

Sports Writer

The Alcona boys' varsity basketball team continued to struggle last week as they lost to Rogers City at home and was overwhelmed by Posen 50-28 on the road.

Against the Rogers City Hurons turnovers again hurt the young Tigers. They committed 10 in the first quarter, most of them bad passes. Rogers City wasn't much better and a sloppy first quarter ended with the Hurons leading 11-10.

In the second quarter both teams heated up offensively with Alcona outscoring Rogers City 20-16 and taking a 30-27 lead to the locker room at halftime. Alex Cole took his team on his shoulders and scored 14 of Alcona's 20 points.

Rogers City began the third quarter by scoring the first 10 points and led 37-30 very quickly. Alcona could not buy a basket and turned the ball over eight times. Alcona's bench was assessed a technical foul with the Hurons' ahead 37-33. They made both shots and led 39-33. Two straight three-pointers by Cole brought Alcona to within one point, 40-39. After the Hurons scored to give them a three point lead Matt Mullen hit Alcona's third consecutive three-pointer to tie the game at 42. Mullen then hit a jumper to give Alcona a 44-42 lead. Rogers City came back with three points to end the quarter leading 45-44.

Cole began the final period with a field goal to give Alcona the lead by one point. With a little over three minutes left in the game Alcona

had three players with four fouls, Brock LaVergne, Alex Cole and Mike Munro. The teams traded baskets and were still tied at 50 with one minute to play. Then things got a little out of hand.

The Rogers City team was called for a technical foul but Alcona missed both free throws. Game still tied. After the Hurons took a two point lead, Cole was called for two straight technicals on the same play. Rogers City converted five of the six free throws while Alcona missed five of six free throws and the game was over.

Alcona could not overcome the seven point deficit. One of the other problems with the double technical on Cole is he would have to sit out the next game at Posen. Cole led Alcona with 29 points, a career high.

The JV Tigers fared much better, playing their best game of the year and defeating Rogers City 58-44. Roddy Forsythe led with 15 point and Brandon Gibson added 12.

Facing Posen without their leading scorer, Alcona had to depend upon someone to step up and score some points. It looked like they might do that with five different players scoring in the first quarter as they jumped out to an 11-6

lead after one quarter.

However, hidden in that lead was a problem -- two of Alcona's tallest players, Brock LaVergne and Braden Yokom picked up two fouls each with only five minutes gone in the first quarter. They sat out the rest of the half. Posen outscored Alcona 20-5 in the second quarter and closed out the half with 10 points in a row to lead at halftime 26-16. Alcona missed three of four free throws, hit only two field goals and committed seven turnovers.

Yokom started the third quarter with a jumper to bring the Tigers to within eight points, but Posen responded with six points to increase their lead to 12. Posen closed out the quarter with six straight points to lead 38-23.

In the final quarter Alcona committed eight more turnovers and made only one field goal as Posen won easily 50-28. The Tigers scored 17 points in the final three quarters.

Alcona did have nine players score. Matt Mullen led with six points. Alcona's record stands at 3-11.

The junior varsity team Tiger lost a heartbreaker 68-65 in double overtime. Bryan Layton led with 27 points and Roddy Forsythe added 13.

Lady Tigers win two at home, improve record

By Dan O'Connor

Sports Writer

Although it wasn't easy, the Alcona varsity girls' basketball team won both games last week to improve their record to 8-9 as they head into the final few weeks of the season.

On Monday, Feb. 8, the Lady Tigers hosted the Mio Thunderbolts (10-7), who had been red-hot since losing to Alcona in mid-January. In a back and forth first quarter, Mio jumped out to a 9-8 lead. Both teams continued to struggle to score in the second quarter as well and were tied heading into the locker room at 16 points.

Mio's Kelsey Blamer, who came into the game averaging 19 points a game was held to four points in the first half with a stifling defense by Meaghan Olger and Caitlin McNichols.

The Lady Tigers charged into the third quarter led by Amelia Oliver's six points. They had a five point lead early, only to see Mio come back with a 6-0 run at the end of the quarter -- highlighted by a three-pointer at the buzzer to lead 27-26.

All season Alcona has struggled to win close games, but this night was different. Senior Lacie Stephenson came off the bench early in the fourth quarter and scored five straight points to give the Lady Tigers a lead they did not relinquish. Alexa LeCureux followed Stephenson's lead by scoring eight points of her own in the fourth quarter to seal the win 48-40.

LeCureux led Alcona with 14 points while Oliver and Megan Miller had 11 points each.

On Friday, Feb. 12, the Lady Tigers hosted the Oscoda Owls (3-13) for senior night and parent's night.

Playing a team three times in one season is unusual, and the Owls used their familiarity of Alcona to their advantage. Oscoda moved the ball with precision early on and stormed out to an 8-2 lead before Alcona made a run of their own to lead 11-8. Oscoda had an answer again as they scored the last five points of the first quarter to lead 14-11.

The Lady Tiger offense continued to be stymied by the Oscoda zone, which focused on stopping Alcona's inside presence of Olger, Carolyn Miller, Phebie Mier and Sarah Hart. Alcona did manage to claw back to tie the game at 20 heading into the second half.

Throughout a tightly contested third quarter the Owls separated themselves from Alcona by outscoring the Lady Tigers 13-9, highlighted by Oscoda's Ashley Scott's five straight points that ended the quarter. Oscoda led 33-29 heading into the fourth quarter and stretched their lead to 37-31 with five minutes to play before the Lady Tigers, for the second time last week took control of the game.

Alcona went on a 8-2 run to tie the game at 39. The Lady Tiger comeback was fueled by Carolyn Miller who was relentless despite being

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Organization Notes

Alcona FFA -- District Leadership Contests

Premier leadership, personal growth and career success are three of the elements that make up the FFA's mission and three of the many qualities that were portrayed by the Alcona FFA Chapter on Thursday, Feb. 4 in Alpena.

Since December 2009, a group of FFA members from Alcona High School have met each week to practice for the FFA's annual District III (Region VI) Leadership Contests,

Alcona FFA Chapter were Mackenzie Sims and Megan Miller. Mackenzie Sims presented a speech on agri-business, while Megan Miller presented on Horse Trail Access. Mackenzie Sims earned third place (alternate) and Megan Miller earned fourth place.

During the demonstration contests a group of FFA members must demonstrate something that they feel is of importance to the new age of agriculture. This year, Alcona

and Carolynn Miller. The topic was on Asian carp and they received third place (alternate).

In creed speaking participants must memorize the five paragraph creed written by E.M. Tiffany. The speech must be no more than four minutes long. Representing Alcona were Victoria Ankner, and Katelyn Sims. Katelyn Sims received second place (moving on to the Regional contest) and Victoria Ankner



Alcona FFA members spent months preparing for the Leadership Contest. (Back row, from left) Katelyn Sims, Mitch Millen, Jaymes Hollnagel, Samantha Allen, Caitlin McNichols, Megann Ridgewell, Megan Griffith, Kaitlyn Dennett, Danielle Gauthier, Matt Striaght, (middle row) Victoria Ankner, Melissa Lindsay, Dylan Neumann, Michael Sutor, Erin Bumgardner, Elin Loyer, Jenna Richardson, Alisha Apsey, Austin Scott, Tony Herman, (front row) Connor Hubbard, Caycee Ouillet, Brittany Joslin, Rose Powerski, Elizabeth Waligore, Shawn Payne, Mackenzie Sims, Ashley Tait. Not pictured: Chelsea Ouillet, Tyler Good, David Pickle, Jenny McGuire, Austin Gerard, Megan Miller, Zach Palmer, Eli Morton and Carolynn Miller. *Courtesy photo.*

which were held at Alpena High School. The group endured many weeks of tedious after school, later night and weekend rehearsals to prepare for a preliminary competition to the regional, state and the national FFA Leadership Contests (held in Indianapolis, Ind. in the fall.

Leadership contests are an opportunity for an FFA member to display and gain vital public speaking skills. Contestants are offered 11 contests that are made of: Prepared public speaking, parliamentary procedure, agricultural issues, demonstration, creed speaking, extemporaneous public speaking, job interview, junior high Public speaking, greenhand public speaking, junior high conduct of meetings and greenhand conduct of meetings.

In prepared public speaking contestants are to prepare a six to eight minute speech on a topic of their choice. After presenting their speech, the contestant then answers questions from the judges. Representing the Al-

was represented by two teams: Hydroponics -- Austin Gerard, Mitch Millen and Austin Scott and Biodiesel: Kaitlyn Dennett, Connor Hubbard and Shawn Payne. The hydroponics team placed second (moving to the regional contest) and the Biodiesel Team took first place (moving to the regional contest).

Another competition offered is job interview. To compete, participants must choose a job, create a cover letter, resume and complete a timed application. Representing Alcona were Michael Sutor (applying for agricultural engineer) and Melissa Lindsay (applying for a lawn care technician). Michael Sutor earned third place (alternate) and Melissa Lindsay earned a bronze award.

In agriculture issues students give a 10-15 minute presentation on a current issue in agriculture. One team represented Alcona at the district level -- Elin Loyer, Samantha Allen, Caitlin McNichols, Erin Bumgardner, Zach Palmer, Eli Morton,

received first place (moving on to the regional contest).

In parliamentary procedure participants have to show the knowledge to conduct a business meeting in which they are given a topic and 10 minutes to complete

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double and triple teamed. As Miller's basket cut the lead to 39-38, Oscoda (who has six players on their varsity roster) was forced to play the final minute with only four players (and later three after another fouled out). The Lady Tigers finished the game with the last nine points and overall a 13-2 run to seal the win. Emily Wojcik played a huge role in the fourth, by scoring six points for Alcona, include the last four points.

Oscoda, which struggled early in the season, played a

extremely solid game and will be a tough opponent come tournament time. They were led by Ashley Scott with 15 points.

Amelia Oliver was solid on the offensive end for Alcona with 19 points while Miller added 11 points and Wojcik chipped in with six points.

Alcona, winners of seven out of their last 10 games, will travel to Posen (10-7) on the Monday, Feb. 22 and to Fairview (11-5) on Thursday, Feb. 25.

Senior Lifestyles

Seeking Social Security disability benefits

Dear Savvy Senior,
What do I need to do to get Social Security disability? I'm 58 years old and have back problems that are keeping me from doing my job, but I've heard it's very difficult to actually get disability benefits. What tips can you offer?

Disabled Dave

Dear Dave,
The process of getting Social Security disability benefits can be tricky and time-consuming, but you can help yourself by doing some homework and getting prepared.

Last year, around three million people applied for Social Security disability benefits, but two-thirds of them were denied. Why the high denial rate? Because most applicants fail to provide sufficient medical evidence that prove they're disabled and can't work.

While there are no magic tips to getting Social Security disability, there are several steps you can take to give

yourself a better chance for a favorable decision.

Your first step is to know if your disability meets Uncle Sam's criteria. Social Security strictly requires that you must be physically or mentally unable to perform "any" substantial work and have a medical condition that's lasted or is expected to last at least a year or result in death. You must also have worked five out of the last 10 years and be under full retirement age.

For more details, see ssa.gov/dioplan/dquality4.htm and go through the five questions Social Security uses to decide if you're disabled.

If you think you qualify, your next step is to learn all you can about how the program works. Your best resource is SocialSecurity.gov - click on "Disability." Or, if you don't have Internet access, Social Security offers lots of free publications that you can have mailed to you including "Disability Benefits" (publication No. 05-10029)

which provides a good comprehensive overview. Call (800) 772-1213 to order publications.

After you bone up, your next step is to gather up your personal, financial and medical information so you can be prepared and organized for the application process. You'll need your Social Security number; birth certificate; names, addresses and phone numbers of the doctors, hospitals and clinics that took care of you and dates of your visits; names and dosage of all the medicine you take; medical records from your doctors, therapists, hospitals and clinics; lab and test results; documents stating your physician's objective view of your condition, restrictions and limitations; a summary of where you worked and the kind of work you did; and a copy of your most recent W-2 Form or, if you are self-employed, your federal tax return for the past year.

After you get your information together, you can ap-

ply either online at ssa.gov/applyfordisability, or call (800) 772-1213 to make an appointment to apply at your local Social Security office or to set up an appointment for someone to take your claim over the phone.

The whole process lasts about an hour. If you schedule an appointment, a "Disability Starter Kit" that will help you get ready for your interview will be mailed to you. If you apply online, the kit is available at ssa.gov/disability.

It takes three to five months from the initial application to receive either an award or initial denial of disability benefits. The only exception is if you have a chronic illness that qualifies you for a "compassionate allowance," (see ssa.gov/compassionateallowances) which fast-tracks cases within 10 days.

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By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

And now, in the midst of a long season of dearth and sorrow, come a few minutes of pretend. Not pretend as in presenting something untrue. Pretend at its most delightful, most magical definition – as make believe.

Watching the opening ceremonies of the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics reminded me of nothing so much as opening a beautiful, complex pop-up book. Mountains cascaded from the ceiling, salmon and whales swam in the floor, a beautiful child flew above the crowd. A fiddler in a canoe played his song against the moon. While much of it involved elaborate technology, it came across more as the telling of a wonderful, warm folk tale.

As a Michigianian – and probably like most Americans living along the northern border -- I have a proprietary fondness for Canada. Kind of like the neighbors across the lake who you don't know all that well, but who always wave. Nice people. Probably nicer than you are. And that's the image the opening ceremonies brought as well, I thought.

Beyond that, I was absolutely delighted to find that the evening included poetry. Much of it was read by Canadian Donald Southerland, celebrating the work of Canadian poets from several eras. They have their share,

Robert Service and Leonard Cohen among them.

Had you asked me, prior to Friday evening, about the role of poetry in our world, I might have told you I mourned its decline. Poetry, after all, tends to be something people either love or hate.

Those who love it have generally been captured early on by some piece that touched them, caught their imagination, elicited their admiration of its form or structure or the mathematics of the thing. Those who hate it usually view it as thick, obscure, boring – an anachronism.

I'm one of the people who love it. So it was nice to find there were still some other believers out there, hunkered down by the firelight with their tattered volumes of verse.

And then, as often happens in make believe, it got better.

Toward the end of the ceremony, slam-poet Shane Koyczan delivered his poem "We Are More." For some of us, there is nothing quite as amazing as discovering a new poet in this day and age.

Koyczan was born in Yellow Knife and raised in British Columbia. Round-faced, bespectacled and tubby, he describes himself in one piece as "the world's best overweight lover." Judging from his work, I'll bet he is. That's as close as I'll ever get to knowing, since I'm not into cougarism and he's only a year older than my own daughter.

But just looking at this young man, you can see the teenage angst that brought him to where he is today. Not that a poet has to be lonely, but he or she does – at least for a time – have to be alone. To think things through until you have the words right.

Koyczan has the words right. In "We Are More" he strings together "we are the lost-and-found for all those who might find themselves at a loss" and "we are the abandoned hesitation of all those who can't wait," two phrases that in and of themselves would make the poem worthwhile.

Slam poetry is a form of spoken word; dedicated in

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The Fritz

part to the proposition that poetry should be heard, not read. Accordingly, Koyczan's delivery is sometimes smooth, sometimes staccato, larded with small sections of rhythmic rhyme. I don't necessarily support the "heard not read" thesis in its entirety, but in this case, hearing truly is better.

If you love poetry, or maybe just have some time on your hands, look his work up on YouTube. For some of the best, try "The Crickets Have Arthritis" if only for the line, "Louis loves like a man who lived in a time before God gave religion to man and left it to them to figure out what hate was." If you're one of the ones who hate poetry, this piece might change your mind. If you're one of those who love it, it will confirm your devotion.

And if you're one who has found yourself at a loss, you might just find -- for a few minutes anyway -- the lost-and found.

In the midst of all of that, last Friday night, it seemed almost appropriate – poetic justice, if you will, that the one big technological part – the rising of the legs for the torch's cauldron – failed to function. I didn't think it marred the ceremony, I thought that somehow it only made it and its hosts more endearing.

Somehow, in a long season of dearth and sorrow, the whole thing just gives me a little more hope. It's astonishing, sometimes, what a little pretend time can do.

(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 25 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, Oliver the cat, and grand-dog, Bastian, all of whom are frequent victims of her column.)

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Organization Notes

East Shore Art Guild

President Bernie Blaszak opened the February meeting and welcomed everyone. First order of business was the minutes going back to November of 2009. Rose Blaszak read the minutes, they were approved, first and seconded. Peg Little gave the treasurer's report, they were approved, first and seconded.

Membership: Trish Davis gave the membership report. ESAG has 55 members with two honorary non-paying members. Trish introduced Beverly Chase to the guild as our newest member and asked her to tell us about herself and her art. Beverly has been into the arts for 35 years and has won awards at the Tawas Art Show and the Roscommon Art Show. We welcome her and are very glad she has joined the guild and gallery.

Trish also thanked Judy St. John for having about 12 of the guild to her studio for the print making class. We had a wonderful experience learning print making but also shared a great lunch that everyone took part in making. Thank You Judy, we enjoyed our day with you.

The first order of business brought up by our president was the wine and food festival on July 17. The chamber has asked us to participate this year. In the past the Northeast Michigan Art Guild (NEMAG) from Alpena has been the sole guild there. Bernie asked for a motion to have both guilds at the wine and food festival. Trish Davis made a motion to be in the show and include NEMAG. The motion was approved, first and seconded and all approved.

Terry Liscomb asked for the floor to explain the Children's Art Contest for 2010. She is spearheading a new art program for Head Start through fifth grade this year and needs volunteers to help her at the elementary school with this project. This is a spin-off of the CAN PAC Council. Each grade would take a month to draw about something that they do as a family. Then these pictures would be put into a calendar. So far five guild members have volunteered to help but more are needed. Anyone interested should call Terry at (989) 336-0772.

The historical calendar for 2011 is due sometime in June. The theme this year is Alcona County schools. The antique festival is July 9 and 10. Wine and food festival is Saturday, July 17. Summer Impromptu IV Art Show is Wednesday, July 14. There will be the art show, a dinner and a summer concert all in the same day. The passport program is June 11 - September 17.

The guild has voted and approved getting into the passport program. This is a great way to advertise in our surrounding areas. With the program you have to collect 10 stamps in a booklet from other businesses advertising in the passport booklet. Once you have collected 10 stamps you turn in your booklet to be entered into a drawing to win

a very nice prize. We need three events that run from June 11 through September 17. The price is \$75 for one year and this money would go toward advertising. Judy

St. John made the motion, it was first and seconded and voted on, then approved. The three events that we are advertising are: Summer Im-

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At the Mikado Township Board of Trustees meeting on February 8, DeLynn Lovelace (left) and Stephanie Simpson (right) present a check to Mikado Township Fire Chief Wayne O'Dell for the amount of \$700 that was raised selling memorial stickers in memory of Karl Thum. The money will be used to purchase and install a new sign with a fire department emblem that will identify the Mikado Township Fire Department. *Courtesy photo.*



In December 2009, Community Foundation Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) approved a grant request by Supervisor Jesus "Yogi" Yruegas for the amount of \$250. Mikado Township Fire Chief Wayne O'Dell stands by some of the 20 28-inch high traffic cones that he purchased with the grant funds. The difference owed was paid from the fire department's fire budget. *Courtesy photo.*

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Wednesday, March 10, 1:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 12, 1:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Review will meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests, and to equalize the 2010 assessments. By Board Resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 10, 2010.

The tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2010 are as follows:

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Jesus "Yogi" Yruegas
Township Supervisor

Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of February 7-13, 2010

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Cold weather tips to keep pets safe

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- Never let your dog off the leash on snow or ice, especially during a snowstorm, dogs can lose their scent and easily become lost. There are more dogs lost during winter than any other season. Make sure your pet always wears ID tags. ID tags can be purchased at the shelter.

- Thoroughly wipe off your dog's legs and stomach when he comes in out of freezing weather. He can ingest salt, antifreeze or other potentially dangerous chemicals while licking his paws and his paw pads may crack and bleed from encrusted snow and ice.

- Antifreeze is lethal poison for dogs and cats, be sure

to wipe up any spills. Consider using products that contain propylene glycol rather than ethylene glycol.

- Consider the age and breed of your dog. Limit puppies and older dog's time outside as well as short hair breeds that don't tolerate cold weather. You may want to purchase a well fitting coat or sweater for your dog to fight off the winter chill.

- Keep in mind that your pets still need exercise during winter months. Keep lots of entertaining and safe pet toys around and play with your animals. Many dog breeds love winter weather and will enjoy a walk with you outside. It will keep your dog happy and healthy and keep you fit as well.

- Make sure your companion animal has a warm place to sleep inside, off the floor and away from all drafts. A cozy dog or cat bed with a warm blanket or pillow is perfect.

- Increase protein for dogs that spend a lot of time engaged in outdoor activities to keep him and his fur in tip-top shape.

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promptu IV Art Show, Labor Day Show and the ESAG Gallery.

Congratulations to the following: Rose Blaszak, Bernie Blaszak, Trish Davis, Peg Little, Joan Kenville, Beverly Chase, Karen Jonkers, Christine Brackett and Mary Alice Comar. Their art work is in St. Joseph Hospital in Tawas and will be on display until April 25.

Lois Malenfant reported the gallery is doing well. Mary Iwanski and Beverly Chase are the new artists in the gallery. Lois stated that we are open on Wednesdays as of now and she needs some workers for Wednesdays. Corky Gates is the artist of the month of February.

We were reminded to keep track of daily visitors and record on the calendar that is on the desk. Review daily duties and daily balance sheet. If there is a phone message, please fill out the proper form.

A motion was made by Terry Liscomb to end the meeting, it was first and seconded and approved. Meeting ended at 2:10 p.m.



Seed Storage
 The best container I have found for seed storage is a 10-Gallon Galvanized Steel Bird Seed Storage Can. Crafty squirrels cannot get into this can and seed stays dry, especially if you store seed outside like I do. To check it out, go to <http://www.tractorsupply.com/> and search for "bird seed storage."

Hounds, bear and grouse: On the road with a DNRE conservation officer

It's opening morning for bear hound hunting and the clock is just striking 4 a.m. when conservation officer Grant Emery climbs into his truck, ready for what will be a 17-hour shift in the field.

Emery's Gogebic County territory marks the epicenter for hound hunting in the Upper Peninsula and he is prepared for a busy morning of checking bear hunters — evidenced by the bag of dog treats on his dashboard.

"Bear hounds, for the most part, are the friendliest dogs you'll ever meet," Emery said. "But when they have their head in the hunt, it doesn't hurt to have a treat to distract them, so I can quickly check their tags and their owner's hunting license."

Emery's game plan this morning is to head out into the woods before dawn to set up near some bait sites that he scouted and marked with his GPS in advance. All is quiet, as he listens for the sound of hunters who may be out running their dogs before official hunting hours have opened.

"Ninety percent of the interactions I have with hunters are positive, but it tends to be on opening days when we see more violations," Emery explained. "This isn't just the hound opener today, it's also the second of three bear openers for bait hunters and it's the small game season opener. That's why all of us officers will be working much longer shifts than normal and will be out in greater force than normal."

From his pickup truck, Emery can stay in contact with other conservation officers who are teaming up with him to work the opener. Although he is the only conservation officer assigned to Gogebic County, officers from Iron County and Ontonagon County are nearby, working the general area where the three counties border each other.

With specialized computer equipment installed in every conservation officer's vehicle, known as an Automated Vehicle Locator System or AVL, it is possible for Emery to view a map showing where the other officers are at any time, plus exchange text messages with them without creating additional radio traffic.

Shortly after hunting hours open, Emery is busy messaging the other officers, finding out who has seen hunters and where. By listening for the sound of hounds baying and watching the roads for hunting parties tracking their dogs with GPS and radios, the officers are able to get a good handle on where the action is taking place and where they should relocate to.

Once it is determined that a bear has likely been treed, the officers will coordinate to decide who will move in to check for licenses or possible violations, such as not wearing blaze orange or too many dogs running in a pack.

"I'm a big believer that to be the best conservation of-



DNRE conservation officer Grant Emery goes over guidelines with grouse hunters.

ficer I can be, I need to also take part in these sports," Emery said. "I have bear hunted for years, and that makes me more prepared when I encounter hunters in the field, since I know immediately what to look for, what common mistakes hunters can innocently make and which parts of the law are maybe tempting to knowingly break."

Approaching hunters not only as a conservation officer (CO), but also as a fellow hunter, gives Emery the ability to use his intuition and decide when a simple teaching moment may need to move to the next level, he explained.

As he drives a woods road, following a truck with bear hounds in the back kennel, Emery tells the story of how his lifelong dream to be a conservation officer was sparked by an encounter he had with a DNR officer while fishing as a teenager with his father. The duo was approached while on the water and Emery's dad couldn't find his fishing license in his wallet. Though the officer wrote a ticket, he included the stipulation that if the elder Emery could show proof before a certain date that he had been licensed to fish, the ticket would be waived.

"That showed me right then that being a CO is more than writing tickets," Emery said. "You need to be a people person and assess whether the situation would be better served by making it a teaching moment or if giving a violation is the best answer. There are some things I will always write a violation for — not wearing blaze orange, not having enough life preservers in a boat, driving with a loaded gun, things that could be life-and-death situations."

"In other instances," he continued, "I use my own judgment on a case-by-case

basis, and honestly, a lot of it comes down to the attitude of the person I have approached. I learned that from the CO who stopped my dad and me so many years ago."

As Emery pulls up to the bear hunters he has followed into the woods, he gets out of the truck and greets the group with a genuine smile, asking how the hunting has been. The party is made up of hunters from South Carolina who come to the Upper Peninsula each fall to hunt bear. Emery recognizes several members and proceeds to make small talk and scratch the kenneled hounds behind the ears before moving on to business.

Once it is time to check everyone's licenses and also check the hound registrations, most of the tension has melted and everyone is chatting and joking around. According to the hunters, they were tracking a bear that morning, but the dogs have lost the scent at the moment, a statement Emery is comfortable taking at face value, since he can't detect the sound of hounds baying in the distance and he doesn't hear any significant radio traffic between these hunters and the rest of their party. Back on the road, Emery returns to where he saw another group of hunters earlier in the morning and proceeds to check their licenses. Noticeable is the use of Emery's technique of making simple small talk, using his knowledge of the sport to talk hunting details, before anyone is asked to produce a license. By the time wallets come out, the initial tension is once again diffused.

"There are some officers who have a different style and make it all business from the minute they make con-

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Revival Meeting with Bishop David Morrison
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Monday, March 8, 2010 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m.
 Tuesday, March 9, 2010 3-9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2010 to examine the Assessment Roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting.

By board resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 8, 2010.

Appearing below are the recommended tentative Equalization Ratios and Estimated Multipliers as provided by Alcona Equalization Department.

	<u>Ratios</u>	<u>Multipliers</u>
Agricultural	50.06	.99880
Commercial	50.97	.98104
Industrial	N/A	N/A
Residential	53.91	.92747
Timber Cutover	N/A	N/A
Development	N/A	N/A
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Notice

The township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact: Dennis K. Gehres, 1681 Gehres Rd., Lincoln, MI 48742 (989) 335-0940.

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NOTICE

The Lincoln Village Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget for 2010-2011 at 6:45 p.m. on Monday March 1, 2010. The meeting will be held at the Lincoln Village Hall at 117 W. Fiske Street, Lincoln MI. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.** Copies of the proposed budget will be available at the meeting. The regular monthly village council meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

Phillip S. Jordan
 Village President

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NOTICE

The Alcona Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2010-2011 at the township hall at 5576 US-23 on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 during its regular monthly meeting starting at 7 p.m. **The proposed tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.** A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the clerk's office. Please call (989) 471-2948.

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The two-way radio systems once used by DNR conservation officers have been replaced by high-tech satellite tracking systems in state-of-the-art officer patrol vehicles, which also include computer-based statewide communications and online reporting capabilities. *Photos by David Kenyon, Michigan DNRE.*

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tact," Emery said. "But for me, this is the way to do my job while letting hunters enjoy their time in the woods. I've been doing this for 10 years and was a cop for four years prior, so I've developed the intuition to know when to take things to the next level — and I do. I write more tickets than any other CO in this region. But when I do write them, I always want to be sure it is fair."

Once bear hunters have vacated the woods for the afternoon, Emery's attention turns to grouse hunters who are driving woods roads. Most checks are made on the road at the hunter's vehicle — all of whom stop voluntarily once they see Emery is a CO. The stops are quick, with Emery

asking to see licenses, counting birds in the game bag, cracking open shotguns to make sure they aren't loaded while in the vehicle, then wishing the hunters well and sending them on their way.

Later that evening, Emery returns to the bear hunting scene, ready to approach bait hunters to issue citations for illegal baits that were placed too early or for having more than the legal number of baits. Once again, the AVL system in his truck will guide him back to the bait locations he marked days ago on his GPS.

By the time he has finished around 9 p.m., Emery has been on the road for 17 hours. He'll be out again early the next morning, but, he

admits, he'll hardly be able to sleep when at home anyway.

"Hunting season for me is like Christmas morning. Even when I'm on the clock, I just love to be in the outdoors and can't wait to get out there every day. And when I have a day off, I'll be up just as early to get out to my stand to try for a bear," Emery said. "When you are a CO, your life and your job are one in the same, and I'm lucky enough to have it that way."

(Editor's Note: This feature story was provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment and is an aspect of "Showcasing the DNR" program, which promotes the importance of conservation in Michigan.)

DNRE asks for public help to detect presence of wolves in Lower Peninsula

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment will conduct a survey in the northern Lower Peninsula Feb. 16 through March 12 to detect the presence of gray wolves in this area of the state.

Survey teams will be searching areas where the public reports observing a wolf or wolf tracks during the survey period. Priority will be placed on the most recent reports and reports with potential wolf evidence.

"The purpose of the survey is to both verify the presence

of wolves where we have previously confirmed animals and to detect new occurrences in other areas," said DNRE Wildlife Biologist Jennifer Kleitch.

"Given the low probability of observing a wolf or tracks in the Lower Peninsula it's helpful to have as many eyes looking as possible. That's why public reports are important."

The DNRE is asking the public to report wolf sightings that occur during the survey period to the Gaylord Operations Service Center at

(989) 732-3541, ext. 5901. Observation reports can also be submitted online year-round at www.michigan.gov/wolves. The Web site also contains identification information for wolves.

"It's imperative that observations are reported in a timely manner so we can work with fresh evidence. If the public finds what appear to be wolf tracks, they should preserve the physical evidence and disturb it as little as possible or take a photo of the tracks with a ruler," Kleitch said. "If someone has a photo or video of a wolf in the Lower Peninsula, we're interested in that as well."

Wolves began naturally returning to Michigan's Upper Peninsula via Canada and Wisconsin in the early 1990s. Since that time populations have increased and continue to expand their range. Evidence of range expansion into the Lower Peninsula came when a gray wolf was accidentally killed in Presque Isle County in 2004. More recently, the DNRE verified two wolf observations in 2009 in the northern Lower Peninsula as a result of a video and trail camera photo.

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New 4-H project areas help youth succeed

By Les Thomas
MSU Extension

"We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."

~ Franklin Delano Roosevelt

As an organization that relies heavily on the kindness of individuals willing to give their time, resources and talent, Michigan State University (MSU) Extension knows the value of a volunteer. Or in this case, a team of volunteers -- all willing to make this investment in youth to help them succeed.

Alcona County MSU Extension and Alcona 4-H have formed five new project clubs ranging in focus from raising and marketing livestock to electronics and physical fitness. Youth of all ages with a variety of interests will ultimately benefit from the formation of these new clubs. New clubs are often borne out of need -- whether there exists an educational gap, an emerging issue, a need for service or a need linked to geography. A 4-H club is the most common, most recognizable and probably the most effective delivery vehicles for content.

One of the new clubs will focus on electrical projects, with retired engineer Stan Darmofal at the helm. Darmofal's ideas for the club include afterschool meetings working with "snap circuits" as well as a glimpse into HAM radio. Possible future projects also include mechanical engineering using Lego robotics kits.

Another new club will focus on learning about the game of golf with instructor Ruth Golt from the Green-

bush Golf Course. She is a retired educator and former 4-H leader in Macomb County. Golt is excited for spring and the prospect of the next generation sharing her passion for the game of golf.

Regina Good, a new volunteer in Mikado, wanted to create a club where youth could learn about a variety of animals from steers to poultry. She decided to start the club so that her own kids would be able to attend fewer meetings, but get more useful information.

Jeanette Klein, a special education instructor with Alcona Schools, has recently developed an idea that she will turn into a new 4-H Drama Club -- a place for youth to learn and grow through theatre. The fact that studies have shown that more adults fear public speaking than death -- really demonstrates the need for this program.

Lastly, a variety club with a wide focus, seated in the Barton City area will touch on a variety of projects including livestock, gardening and cooking. Mirrored by her hobbies, club leader Sandy LaBeau has been meeting with youth and is excited for spring when more outdoor hands-on projects can get started. But even the cold temperatures won't slow her down. "The kids had a blast... (at our last meeting)," LaBeau said. "It was too cold outside so I put a tarp down in our kitchen and brought the turkey in for hands on learning."

Each of these clubs were in the developmental stages this past fall and are either meeting or will be meeting this spring -- offering a vari-



ety of new project areas for youth to explore. An interest in projects is what draws a potential member to a club. But regardless of interest, the heart of the club is the same...caring adult volunteers guiding youth development. Volunteers mentor youth in an area of interest, all the while the youth themselves grow into a young adult, better prepared for the future.

MSU Extension's Dr. Julie Chapin sums it up, "according to the Tufts University 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development, compared to youth involved in other out-of-school time activities, 4-H youth are more likely to see themselves going to college, 25 percent more likely to contribute to their communities, and 41 percent less likely to engage in risky behaviors like drinking, smoking or doing drugs. The opportunities available to young people through 4-H helps them build life skills that will help them in whatever path they choose in life." Chapin, a senior program educator, is assigned to children, youth, families and communities where she coordinates the Michigan 4-H Youth Development Program.

(Les Thomas is the 4-H youth development program instructor with MSU Extension in Alcona County.)

APPLICANTS WANTED

Caledonia Township is seeking applicants for the position of custodian. Responsibilities and duties for this job may be obtained from the clerk or on our Webpage, Caledoniatwp.net. Interested person please send a letter of interest by March 10, 2010 with background information to:

Helen Timm, Clerk
P.O. Box 81
Spruce MI 48762

Call (989) 471-2390 for more information.

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NOTICE

Haynes Township will hold its annual budget meeting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 3, 2010 at the Haynes Township Hall, 3930 E. McNeil Rd. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this meeting.** Regular meeting to follow at 7 p.m.

Sharon Schefferly
Haynes Township Clerk

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the objective. Representing Alcona on the parliamentary procedure team were Danielle Gauthier, Chelsea Ouillet, Alisha Apsey, Jenna Richardson, Tony Herman, Elizabeth Waligore, Tyler Good and David Pickle. The parliamentary procedure team received third place (alternate).

In greenhand public speaking, contestants are to prepare a six to eight minute speech on a topic of their choice, then answer five minutes worth of questions from the judges and must be a first year member. Megann Ridgewell presented a speech on Asian carp and Dylan Neumann presented a speech on solar energy. Megann Ridgewell received first place (moving on to the regional contest) and Dylan Neumann received fourth place.

The final contest was the greenhand conduct of meetings. This is a contest for first-year FFA members only. It is meant to introduce newer members to how to properly run a meeting using all the rules of parliamentary procedure. The 2010 Greenhand Conduct of Meetings Team included Caycee Ouillet, Jenny McGuire, Rose

Powerski, Megan Griffith, Matt Striaght, Jaymes Hollnagel, Brittany Joslin, and Ashley Tait. This team earned second place (regional).

Following the completion of the district competition, the participants that placed either first or second will move onto Regional Leadership Contests (to be held Febru-

ary 17 in Standish-Sterling). The FFA Chapters in attendance at District III (Region VI) Leadership Contests included Alcona, Alpena, Gladwin, Ogemaw Heights, Standish-Sterling and Whittermore-Prescott.

(Written by Kaitlyn Dennett, 2009-2010 Alcona FFA Chapter Reporter.)

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PUBLIC NOTICE MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW FOR GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP

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Monday, March 8
2 p.m. - 5 p.m. & 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday, March 12
9 a.m. - Noon & 1 p.m. - 4 p.p.

Protests may be filed in writing.

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, to examine the Assessment Roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. Appearing below are the recommended tentative Equalization Ratios and Estimated Multipliers as provided by Alcona Equalization Department.

	RATIOS	MULTIPLIERS
AGRICULTURAL	49.92	1.00160
COMMERCIAL	51.79	0.96543
INDUSTRIAL	49.95	1.00100
RESIDENTIAL	55.99	0.89301
TIMBER CUTOVER	N/A	N/A
DEVELOPMENTAL	N/A	N/A
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Notices will be mailed by February 26 for valuation increases and classification changes only. If you do not receive a notice and wish to verify the values for your property please contact the assessor at 736-7689.

Edward Roddy
Greenbush Township Supervisor

2-10 thru 2-24

Calendar of Events

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apply to these purchases.

Alcona Little League sign up for kids ages five through 16 will be in the Alcona High School lobby by the new gym from 5 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$25 per player or \$50 per family. For more information, call (989) 736-8066.

The Knitting Klub and Crochet will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to noon. All levels welcome. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Ladies of all ages and

church affiliations are invited to attend session three of the Ladies Community Bible Study from 1 to 2:30 p.m. to study "The Fruit of the Spirit" at the EMS station on M-72. For more information, call (989) 724-5621.

Parish Health Ministry of Sacred Heart Catholic Church on US-23 in Oscoda presents speaker Pam Koepke from St. Joseph Hospice Care at 10 a.m. in the church hall. An update on hospice laws/guidelines will be discussed. Question and answer session to follow. Refreshments available. For

more information, call Ellen at (989) 739-0249.

A revival meeting with Bishop David Morrison will be held at the Solid Rock Church of God, 158 N. Barlow Road, across from the Alcona Health Center in Lincoln, at 7 p.m.

The Alcona County Democrats will hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the EMS building on M-72. Everyone is welcome to attend and refreshments will be served. Questions, call (989) 736-6516.

The Sunrise Gardening Club will meet at 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

A laptop personalization and customization class will be given 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 Alcona County Library Board will meet at the Harrisville branch at 2 p.m.

A revival meeting with

Bishop David Morrison will be held at the Solid Rock Church of God, 158 N. Barlow Road, across from the Alcona Health Center in Lincoln, at 7 p.m.

The GM Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees will hold their regular monthly luncheon meeting with spouses and guests at 11:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn of Alpena. Guest speaker will be Tom Moran, owner of Moran Iron Works in Onaway. Salaried retirees from all GM divisions are welcome to attend. Reservations and payment are due in advance. Contact Chuck at (989) 727-3350 or Frank at (989) 595-2789 for more information or reservations.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Tiny Tot Story Time will be at the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library from 10 to 11 a.m. for children ages 0 to 24 months old accompanied by an adult. Stories will be short and play time will follow. No registration is needed.

The Community Walking Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 9 a.m. This is for everyone.

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

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. Free refreshments served. Contact Stan at (989) 724-5550 or visit www.alconaradio.org for more information.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26
The Knights of Columbus Council 4235 will have a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. at Maria Hall in Harrisville. Menu includes fried and baked fish, French fries, cole slaw, roll, drinks and dessert. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$3.50 for children.

An adult American Red Cross CPR/AED and standard first aid challenge course will be offered at the Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Authority office in Alpena from 8 to 10 a.m. Anyone interested in attending can register by calling Jennie at (989) 356-2161. There is an \$18 course fee.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, corner of US-23 and Medor Road, Harrisville, is hosting a Lenten quiet day from 10 a.m. to noon. Make prayer beads and practice some ways to use them. Potluck lunch to follow. Everyone welcome. Call (989) 335-4054 for more information.

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THURSDAY
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High: 29 Low: 22

FRIDAY
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High: 29 Low: 18

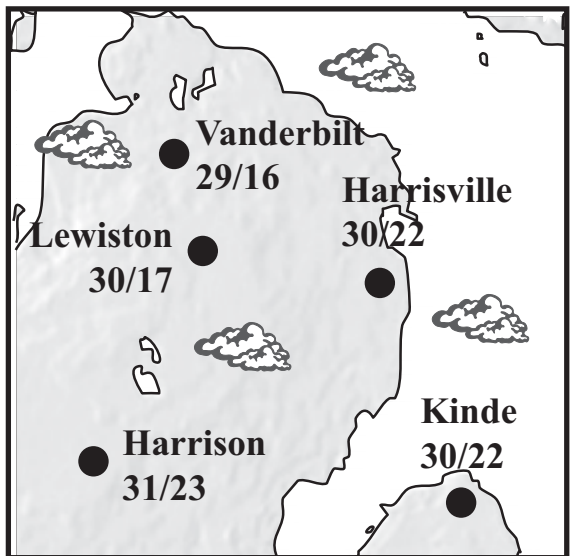
SATURDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 31 Low: 15

SUNDAY
Mostly Sunny
High: 32 Low: 16

MONDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 29 Low: 11

TUESDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 30 Low: 14

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see cloudy skies with a high temperature of 30°, humidity of 69% and an overnight low of 22°. The record high temperature for today is 57° set in 1981. The record low is -37° set in 1979. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a high temperature of 29°.

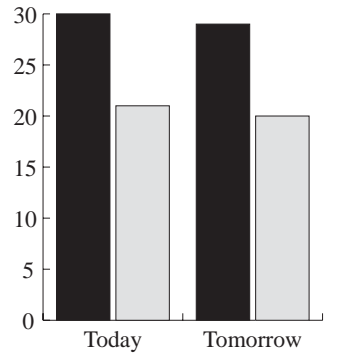
*Last Week's Almanac				
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	29	2	27/8	0.00"
Tuesday	23	11	27/9	0.02"
Wednesday	21	17	27/9	0.04"
Thursday	29	11	27/9	0.00"
Friday	29	17	27/9	0.00"
Saturday	25	13	28/9	0.00"
Sunday	29	20	28/9	0.00"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
First 2/21	Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	6:05 p.m.	8:31 a.m.	10:03 p.m.	Last 3/7
	Thursday	7:28 a.m.	6:06 p.m.	8:53 a.m.	11:09 p.m.	
	Friday	7:27 a.m.	6:08 p.m.	9:17 a.m.	Next Day	
Full 2/28	Saturday	7:25 a.m.	6:09 p.m.	9:47 a.m.	12:16 a.m.	New 3/15
	Sunday	7:24 a.m.	6:10 p.m.	10:25 a.m.	1:25 a.m.	
	Monday	7:22 a.m.	6:12 p.m.	11:12 a.m.	2:32 a.m.	
	Tuesday	7:20 a.m.	6:13 p.m.	12:11 p.m.	3:35 a.m.	

Wind Chill Forecast



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 partly cloudy to cloudy skies with a few snow showers today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 41° in New Bedford, Mass. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 70° in Tamiami, Fla. The Northwest will see isolated rain and snow today and Thursday, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Friday, with the highest temperature of 60° in Brookings, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 80° in Yuma, Ariz.

Weather History

Feb. 17, 1990 - The biggest winter storm of the season hit the Pacific Coast Region. In northern California, snow fell along the coast, and two day totals in the mountains ranged up to 67 inches at Echo Summit. Snowfall totals in the mountains of southern California ranged up to 48 inches at Green Valley, with 46 inches reported at Big Bear.

Weather Trivia

How much water is equivalent to 10 inches of snow?

Answer: Usually, one inch of water equals 10 inches of snow.

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StarWatch By Gary Becker - Asteroid, Planets, and Moon on Parade

If the weather cooperates, this week has two interesting venues which are examples of why astronomy is the most accessible of all of the sciences. The first is a close encounter between Venus and Jupiter on February 16. The other event happens on the 18 when the asteroid Vesta passes very close to the star Algieba in Leo the Lion. Venus and Jupiter, the third and fourth brightest objects of the heavens, meet for a brief encounter very low in the WSW on Tuesday. The difficulty in viewing the pair will be their close proximity to the horizon at sunset. Southwestern facing vistas will have to be nearly perfect which makes observations from high-rise apartments and hillcrests ideal. Spot Venus once the sun is fully set by scanning the horizon with binoculars immediately to the left of the sundown position. Above and to Venus's right, and separated by only one lunar diameter, will be Jupiter. Even higher, will be a thin, waxing crescent moon with plenty of earthshine to light its shadowed portions as darkness deepens. Observations on February 14 and 15 will reveal the moon closer to the pair. On the 14 the slivery moon stands directly above the sun at sunset, while on the following evening, Luna positions herself about 10 degrees above Jupiter. All three twilights will present stunning views of the trio, but February 16 pits Venus closest to Jupiter. Two nights later, in the east at 10 p.m., the second most massive and brightest asteroid of the heavens, Vesta, passes within 1/5 of a lunar diameter from the naked eye star, Algieba, and half of a lunar diameter from 40 Leonis, an easy binocular star from urban locales. Both luminaries help create the mane of Leo the Lion. February 18 finds Algieba, Vesta, and 40 Leonis in a straight line with Vesta considerably closer to Algieba. Use binoculars to see Vesta. An online map is available in the web version of this article. Good observing! www.astronomy.org

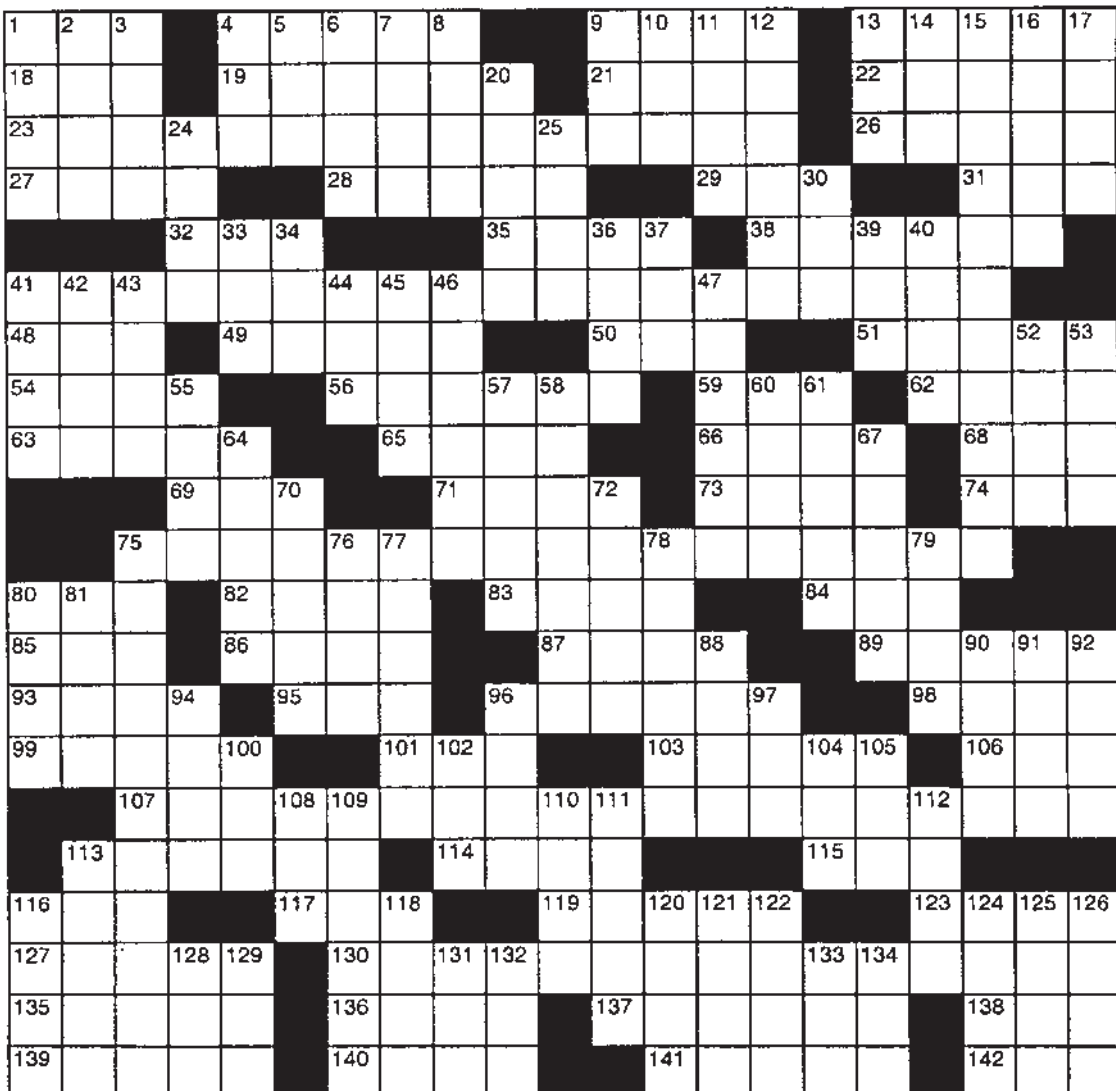
TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- LANGUAGE:** In old England, what was the profession of someone known as a baxter?
- TELEVISION:** In what country was "Jeopardy!" host Alex Trebek born?
- MEDICAL:** What is the medical name for "the bends"?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What kind of animal would be described as "lupine"?
- MUSIC:** How many members are in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir?
- GEOGRAPHY:** The Mystic River flows through which U.S. state?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What would a vexillologist study?
- COMICS:** In the comic strip "Peanuts," where was Snoopy born?
- MOVIES:** What film's theme song was "Lose Yourself" by Eminem?
- FAMOUS QUOTATIONS:** Who once said, "Depend upon it, sir, when a man knows he is to be hanged in a fortnight, it concentrates his mind wonderfully"?

Answers: 1. A baker; 2. Canada; 3. Decompression sickness, often a diving hazard; 4. A wolf; 5. 360; 6. Massachusetts; 7. Flags; 8. Daisy Hill Puppy Farm; 9. "8 Mile"; 10. Samuel Johnson. (c) 2010 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword NOVEL BEGINNINGS

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| ACROSS | 56 Dicta | 103 Maguire of "Spider-Man" | 5 "Quiet!" | 44 Pi follower | 97 "Six Feet Under" network |
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| 4 Broadway org. | 62 Coasted | 107 Undecided activists? | 7 In — (bored) | 46 Close | 102 PD alert |
| 9 Presidential pooch | 63 Cock and bull | 113 Roman writer | 8 Cuban currency | 47 Trinidad's neighbor | 104 — Marie Saint |
| 13 Loudly, to Liszt | 65 Sup in style | 114 Hit hard | 9 Evergreen tree | 52 Moreno or Hayworth | 105 Evergreen tree |
| 18 Spud bud | 66 "Rule Britannia" composer | 115 Reverence | 10 Exist | 53 Inspector Dalgliesh | 108 Expert |
| 19 Propped (up) | 68 Call — day | 116 It may be fake | 11 Speech problem | 55 Engage, as gears | 109 The gods guzzle it |
| 21 Author Murdoch | 69 Fill in | 117 Author Umberto | 12 Take for granted | 57 "— Gay" | 110 — Spumante |
| 22 Menotti title character | 71 — Scotia | 119 Adjusted an Amati | 13 Too big for one's breeches? | 58 Party animal | 111 Newscaster Connie |
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| 26 Aquarium fish | 74 Snead or Spiegel | 127 Come in | 15 Type of philosophy | 61 Behaves like a beaver | 113 Feeling |
| 27 Viscount's better | 75 Tarzan the Studious? | 130 Good source of minerals? | 16 Hurl | 64 Kid stuff? | 116 Dread |
| 28 Walked off with | 80 Ingot | 135 Cold sound | 17 Panache | 67 Methuselah's dad | 118 Phil |
| 29 Baby beagle | 82 Airhead | 136 "Ritorna vincitor!" singer | 20 Dutch pottery | 70 Borg or Ulvaeus | 120 Neighbor of Mont. |
| 31 Noun suffix | 83 Fruit-tree spray | 137 Piston packing | 24 Sitka's st. | 72 Subside | 121 Gaelic |
| 32 Objective | 84 Biol. or chem. | 138 Shelley's "— Skylark" | 25 Work in Vegas | 75 Reliable | 122 Luke, Bo, or Daisy |
| 35 Lose luster | 85 — Dhabi | 139 Versify | 30 By means of | 76 As many as | 124 Prepares cherries |
| 38 One of the Sopranos | 86 Art deco designer | 140 Inn offering | 33 Cover the cake | 77 Essential | 125 Glasgow guy |
| 41 Embarrassed late-night host? | 87 Sicilian volcano | 141 New Hampshire campus | 34 Wrestling surface | 78 Elaborate | 126 Hunky-dory |
| 48 Humble abode | 89 Humble abode | 142 Hog heaven? | 36 Labor leader Eugene | 79 Brilliant display | 128 Accounting abbr. |
| 49 Hawke of "Training Day" | 93 Gershwin heroine | DOWN | 37 WWII area | 80 Movie piglet | 129 Singer Tommy |
| 50 Start to cry? | 95 Wordless greeting | 1 Actress Neuwirth | 39 Qty. | 81 Explorer Tasman | 131 Maestro de Waart |
| 51 Pageant prop | 96 "Every — You Take" ('83 hit) | 2 Auel heroine | 40 Emcee's site | 88 Energy source | 132 Hat for 125 Down |
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| | 99 Singer John | 4 Request | 42 A shake in the grass? | 91 Churchill's successor | 134 Canonized Mlle. |
| | 101 Organ of equilibrium | | 43 List ender | 92 Time to give up | |
| | | | | 94 Head for the clouds | |
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STRANGE BUT TRUE By Samantha Weaver

- It was British journalist Jeremy Campbell who made the following sage observation: "Computers are good at swift, accurate computation and at storing great masses of information. The brain, on the other hand, is not as efficient a number cruncher and its memory is often highly fallible; a basic inexactness is built into its design. The brain's strong point is its flexibility."
- In 1911, it became illegal in China to wear a pigtail.
- One of Ernest Hemingway's early English teachers claimed that the future Nobel Prize winner would "never learn to write."

- More from the files of hangover cures from around the world: In Japan, pickled plums are reputed to ease the morning-after ails; in Italy, it's (quite sensibly) coffee. The Chinese drink strong green tea, while in the Netherlands it's the hair of the dog — the Dutch advocate beer as a remedy. Danes eat salt, while Mexicans eat shrimp (I'll take the Mexican remedy any day). Perhaps the oddest remedy is practiced in Russia: Sufferers there head to the sauna, where they proceed to whip out the toxins with leafy birch branches. No word on what they do in winter, when the birches are, presumably, leafless.

- The Dwight D. Eisenhower National System of Interstate and Defense Highways — better known as the Interstate Highway System — is the largest public works project in the history of the world. At 46,876 miles, it's also the world's largest highway system.

- Stephen Foster, known as the Father of American Music, originally got paid a grand total of 2 cents for each of his musical scores that was sold.

Thought for the Day: "There is no nonsense so arrant that it cannot be made the creed of the vast majority by adequate governmental action." — Bertrand Russell
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MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel

- On March 6, 1475, Michelangelo Buonarroti, the greatest of the Italian Renaissance artists, is born. His most important early work was the Pieta (1498), a sculpture that showed the body of Christ in the lap of the Virgin Mary. Demonstrating masterful skill, Michelangelo extracted the two perfectly balanced figures of the Pieta from a single block of marble.

- On March 3, 1873, Congress enacts the so-called Comstock Law, making it illegal to send any "obscene, lewd or lascivious" book through the mails. The law was named after Anthony Comstock, a salesman from Connecticut, who devoted his life to fighting what he perceived as vice, particularly obscenity and gambling.

- On March 4, 1888, Knute Rockne is born in Voss, Norway. He would go on to become one of the most successful coaches in the history of college football. In his 13 years as coach of Notre Dame, he recorded 105 wins, 12 losses and 5 ties for a winning percentage of .881, the highest in the history of college or professional football.

- On March 1, 1897, the Winton Motor Carriage Company is organized in Cleveland, with Alexander Winton as president. A year later, Winton won a race at Daytona Beach, Fla., driving his Winton Bullet to an average speed of 68 mph and becoming the first person to break the mile-per-minute barrier.

- On March 2, 1925, the first nationwide highway numbering system is instituted to minimize confusion. Later, interstate highway numbering would be improved by colored signs and the odd-even demarcation that distinguishes between north-south and east-west travel, respectively.

- On March 7, 1955, the first Broadway play to be televised in color, featuring the original cast, airs. The play was "Peter Pan," starring Mary Martin.

- On March 5, 1963, the Hula-Hoop, a hip-swiveling toy that became a huge fad across America when it was first marketed by Wham-O in 1958, is patented. An estimated 25 million Hula-Hoops were sold in its first four months of production alone. Following the Hula-Hoop, Wham-O produced the Superball, Water Wiggle, Silly String, Slip 'n' Slide and the Hacky Sack.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, mortgagee, dated December 16, 2003, and recorded on January 5, 2004 in Liber 395 on page 692, and assigned by said mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty-three thousand one hundred ninety and 39/100 dollars (\$43,190.39), including interest at 6.5 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said 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 February 24, 2010. Said premises are situated in township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 3, Meadow Lane Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page(s) 43 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: January 27, 2010 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1309 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File No. 290363F01 1-27, 2-3, 2-9, 2-17

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thence south 02 degrees 34 minutes 00 seconds west along the east line of said section 786.29 feet; thence along the centerline of a 66 foot wide road easement (Deerfield Trail) in the following two (2) courses: North 87 degrees 26 minutes 00 seconds west 279.49 feet and north 36 degrees 30 minutes 24 seconds west 298.18 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 24 degrees 13 minutes 27 seconds west 448.54 feet; thence south 00 degrees 26 minutes 27 seconds west 341.93 feet; thence north 86 degrees 33 minutes 13 seconds west along the south line of the north 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section 452.56 feet; thence north 03 degrees 14 minutes 31 seconds east 928.06 feet; thence along the centerline of a 66 foot wide road easement (Deerfield Trail) in the following two (2) courses: South 80 degrees 35 minutes 55 seconds east 503.46 feet and south 36 degrees 30 minutes 24 seconds east 150.00 feet to the point of beginning, said parcel being a part of the north 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section, having and granting rights for ingress and egress over a 66 foot wide easement described under road easement following. Road easement: A 66 foot wide road easement (Deerfield Trail) for ingress and egress and for public utilities, together with the right to trim and remove trees as necessary for the construction and maintenance of said facilities, the centerline of which is described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of Section 23, Town 25 North, Range 8 East, Mikado Township, Alcona County, Michigan; thence south 02 degrees 34 minutes 00 seconds west along the east line of said section 786.29 feet to the point of beginning;

thence north 87 degrees 26 minutes 00 seconds west 279.49 feet; thence north 36 degrees 30 minutes 24 seconds west 448.18 feet; thence north 80 degrees 35 minutes 55 seconds west 503.46 feet; thence south 76 degrees 47 minutes 13 seconds west 908.43 feet; thence north 86 degrees 22 minutes 06 seconds west 652.76 feet to a point on the north-south 1/4 line of said Section 23, which is the point of termination. Also all land lying between the above described road easement and north of and adjacent to a line described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of Section 23, Town 25 North, Range 8 East, Mikado Township, Alcona County, Michigan; thence south 02 degrees 34 minutes 00 seconds west along the east line of said section 786.29 feet; thence north 87 degrees 26 minutes west 279.49 feet; thence north 36 degrees 30 minutes 24 seconds west 347.28 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 63 degrees 25 minutes 42 seconds west 480.45 feet; thence north 77 degrees 33 minutes west 269.24 feet to the point of termination. 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: January 27, 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. 304416F01 1-27, 2-3, 2-9, 2-17

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per annum, within 21 days of the judgment, that the property described below is to be sold at public auction, with the proceeds to be applied toward the satisfaction of the debt. Pursuant to the order of the court, and pursuant to the statutes of the state of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the property described below, or some part of them, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, at 10 am, at the place of holding of the circuit court in the county in which the land is situated. Said premises are located in Hawes Township, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 592 feet south and 33 feet east of the quarter post between Sections 32 and

33, Town 27 North, Range 7 East, thence east 264.00 feet; thence south 165.00 feet; thence west 264.00 feet; thence north 165.00 feet to the point of beginning; being part of the northwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 of section 33, Town 27 North, Range 7 East; commonly known as 1182 N. Richardson Road, Barton City, MI 48705. The redemption period shall be six months. Dated: January 20, 2010 Matt Perkins, Undersheriff Randall T. LeVasseur P41712 LeVasseur Dyer & Associates, PC Attorneys for Plaintiff P.O. Box 721400 Berkley, MI 48072 (248) 586-1200 1-20, 1-27, 2-3, 2-10, 2-17, 2-24

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This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty. 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 Robert K. Snell, a married man and Doris L. Snell, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Independent Mortgage Co. Central MI, mortgagee, dated July 27, 2005, and recorded on July 28, 2005 in Liber 420 on page 1,365, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of thirty-three thousand seven hundred thirty-two and 25/100 dollars (\$33,732.25), including interest at six 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 March 3, 2010.

Said premises are situated in township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 7 and 8 of First Addition to Springport Springs Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 135, 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: February 3, 2010
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-2525
File No. 307457F01
2-3, 2-10, 2-17, 2-24

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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 March 10, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Village of Lincoln, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 7 and 8 of Block 12 of Village of Lincoln, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 17, 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.

Date: February 10, 2010
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1304
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Legal Notice Pursuant to MCL 600.3205A(4)

Notice is hereby provided to Russell J. Hale and Katherine A. Hale, the borrowers and mortgagors (borrowers) regarding the property located at: 1790 E. Ritchie Road, Lincoln, Michigan 48742. The borrowers have 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 arrangements under MCL Sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Sharon Kapalla, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, 1100 S. Bagley Street, Alpena, Michigan 49707. The Borrowers may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing De-

velopment Authority's Web site or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at <http://www.michigan.gov/mshda> or at (866) 946-7432. If the borrowers request a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from February 11, 2010, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after February 11, 2010. If the borrowers and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the borrowers abide by the terms of the agreement. The borrowers have the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 10-4807 DE

Estate of Marion Eugenia Lilley
Date of birth: October 17, 1924
To all creditors:
Notice to creditors: The decedent, Marion Eugenia Lilley, who lived at 406 S. Church Street, Apt. 2, Lincoln, Michigan died January 27, 2010.
Creditors of the decedent are notified

that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Judy Carol Pyne, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at P.O. Box 328, Harrisville, MI 48740 and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: February 9, 2010
Judy Carol Pyne
940 S. US-23
Harrisville, MI 48740
(989) 724-6967

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This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty. 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 Keith Staley, a married man and Tina Staley, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, mortgagee, dated July 18, 2006, and recorded on July 19, 2006 in Liber 432 on page 1,430, in Alcona County records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to PNC Bank, National Associa-

tion as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred ten thousand two hundred fourteen and 46/100 dollars (\$110,214.46), including interest at 7.5 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said 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 February 17, 2010.

Said premises are situated in township of Gustin, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: All that part of the southeast 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 14, Town 26 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at the southwest corner of said southeast 1/4 of the southwest 1/4, thence north 466.7 feet along the west line of said southeast 1/4

of the southwest 1/4, thence east parallel to the south line of said Section 14, 466.7 feet, thence south 466.7 feet to the south line of said Section 14, thence west 466.7 feet along the south line of Section 14 to the point of beginning.

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: January 20, 2010
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1313
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48334-2525
File No. 298000F01
1-20, 1-27, 2-3, 2-10

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty. 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 Clarissa F. Kieliszewski, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to National City Mortgage Services Co., mortgagee, dated December 2, 2004, and recorded on December 13, 2004 in Liber 410 on page 831, and assigned by said

mortgagee to National City Mortgage Co. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred sixty-two thousand one hundred forty-eight and 74/100 dollars (\$162,148.74), including interest at 4.625 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 March 3, 2010.

Said premises are situated in township of Caledonia, Alcona County, Michigan,

and are described as: Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Korol Park, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 3 of Plats, pages 25-6, 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: February 3, 2010
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1313
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2-3, 2-10, 2-17, 2-24

Foreclosure Notice

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Amanda M. Nordstrom and Corey E. Nordstrom, wife and husband, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated June 5, 2006, and recorded on June 6, 2006, in Liber 431, page 792, Alcona County records, said mortgage was assigned to Wells Fargo Bank N.A., as trustee, for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2006-NC4 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates by an assignment of mortgage which has been submitted to the Alcona County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date

hereof the sum of sixty-eight thousand two hundred twenty-three and 76/100 (\$68,223.76) including interest at the rate of 6.50000 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 in said Alcona County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 12 p.m. on March 3, 2010. Said premises are situated in the township of Hawes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 41 of Brownlee Lake Park, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 57, Alcona County records. Commonly known as: 331 East

Main Street. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later.

Dated: February 3, 2010
Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Wells Fargo Bank N.A., as Trustee, for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2006-NC4 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates
43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302
(248) 335-9200
Case No. 09MI02937-1
2-3, 2-10, 2-17, 2-24

CITY OF HARRISVILLE MINUTES

The meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held February 8 at the city office. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said. Present: Mayor Dobis, treasurer Tom Keerl, clerk DaNina Karsen, council members, Crick, Dwyer, Lemere, Pierce and Tartaglia and attorney Cook. Motion by Lemere, supported by Tartaglia, to accept the January 11, 2010 minutes. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Lemere, supported by Dwyer, to pay bills in the amount of \$192,437.04 (\$175,421.69 was approved at prior monthly council meeting/water project). Motion by Pierce, supported by Tartaglia, for the use of City of Harrisville sign-in log. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Pierce, supported by Lemere, for the use of City of Harrisville comment cards. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Tartaglia to enforce disciplinary standards on all future breaches of discipline with all city employees. Died for lack of support. Motion by Lemere, supported by Dwyer, to remove Lon Fairchild from fire department. Action to be taken

by fire chief Scott Griffith at his earliest convince. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Tartaglia, supported by Crick, to appoint Jim Kaiser as Alderman for Ward II. Motion carried 5-0. Attorney Cook swore Jim Kaiser in as alderman, Ward II. Discussion on February 1 Main Street beautification meeting. Discussion on tree replacements for Main Street because of water project/Main Street. Before any questionable trees come down for these projects the requests will go through the Tree Board. Motion by Lemere, supported by Tartaglia, to have Griff and Sons take the trees down on 2nd Street in the amount of \$675. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Crick, supported by Lemere, to set date and time for the Truth and Taxation/Budget Hearing. The hearing will be March 8 at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Lemere, supported by Crick, to approve the budget adjustments for water/sewer fourth quarter. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Crick, supported by Dwyer, to accept the reappointments for the Board of Review Phil

Sthainer, Dean Pierce, Earnest Andree and Tom Carroll as alternate term ending December 31. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Pierce, supported by Crick, to accept board of review dates as follows: Organization: Board of Review March 2 -- 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.; March 9 -- 3 p.m. - 9 p.m.; March 11 -- 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.; July 20 -- 11 a.m.; December 14, 2010 - 11 a.m. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Tartaglia, supported by Kaiser, to give Harrisville Arts Council permission to use city property for the Harmony Weekend August 31- September 6. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Lemere, supported by Dwyer, to give Harrisville Arts Council authority to regulate parking during Labor Day Weekend. Motion carried 5-1. Motion by Tartaglia, supported by Pierce, to accept St. James Electric bid for \$5,995.88 to do the work at the Clark Road lift station. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Lemere, supported by Crick, to approve two new fireman contingent to passing a physical. Motion carried 6-0.

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HARRISVILLE TWP. MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held February 9 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Three board members and seven guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Clerk Roger Jamieson and Trustee Betty Young absent due to illness. Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report approved subject to audit. A discussion of a proposed \$1,000 cost increase in the contract with the Lincoln Fire Department for coverage of western portions of Harrisville Township based on response time. Mr. Stone is to get with the Lincoln fire chief in regard to fire insurance reimbursements. Motion by Stone, support by Johnston, to approve the cost increase for 2010. Motion carried. Harrisville Township Board of Review dates were reviewed. Dates are published in the Alcona County Review. A letter from the Brownlee Lake Association requesting a donation to remove muck sediment from Brownlee Lake. By state law, the township board is not able to award donations. The township will, however, send a letter of support for the

project. Resolution to accept the Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Level Test as presented. Roll call vote: Three ayes, zero nays, motion carried. Report by Randy Thompson, township assessor, on the new, unfunded State Tax Commission and assessor board training requirements for assessor certification. Update report by Scott Griffith, fire chief on the state-of-the-union of the joint Harrisville Township and City of Harrisville Fire Department. Roger Jamieson and Jim Pyne will contact the City of Harrisville in regard to setting up a joint fire department board to improve coordination and communications between the city and the township. Motion by Johnston, support by Pyne, to pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

James H. Pyne,
 Township Trustee
 for Roger Jamieson,
 Township Clerk

Published prior to approval.

CALEDONIA TWP. MINUTES

The regular Caledonia Township Board meeting February 10 was called to order by Clerk Timm with the pledge to the flag. Absent: Brown and Ott. Present: Timm, Thornton and Scott. Also present zoning administrator Beck and four citizens. Motion to approve agenda with additions. Motion to approve the minutes of January 13. Correspondence was read from NEMCOG - annual meeting February 18, Heritage Aerial Pictures, county commissioners-county master recreation plan update, county commissioners-Huron Pines-phragmite control. Motion to support Huron Pines Conservation District grant application for its efforts to eradicate or minimize damage of the invasive phragmites plant. Motion to pay the bills. Motion for Thornton to conduct the meeting. Motion to place treasurer's report on file. Planning commission report: Held public hearing for Sexual Oriented Businesses Ordinance. No public attendance. Planning commission motion to approve as drafted. Master recreation plan needs to be revised by March 31. Sheriff will be

able to enforce our ORV ordinance. Next Tri Township meeting is February 25, Alcona Township. Zoning administrator report: Mr. Grove presented site plan, steps on deck within 30 foot set back. He was referred to the ZBA. Road commissioner Harry Harvey presented an update from the road commission. He encouraged everyone to evaluate the performance of the road commission both good and bad. Clerk read recommendations from the Michigan Par Plan. Clear read resignation letter from Maxine Hamlin, custodian. We will place an ad for applications for custodian, to be received before our next meeting. Scott will post on Web site the job description for the custodian. Motion to continue with county for land division and to sign contract through January 31, 2012. Motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. All motions at the meeting were passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next regular meeting March 10. Planning commission meets March 1. Our Web site is: Caledoniawtp.net.

Helen Timm, Clerk

BINGO

New bingo-Knights of Columbus No. 6851, Spruce-Sunday 6:30 p.m. Papers and hard cards, two progressive jackpots and one jackpot that could be worth \$300-\$500 each week and much more.

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

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

Mikado Goodfellows Bingo every Thursday 6:30 p.m. at Mikado Civic Center. New members needed and always welcomed. All proceeds to charity.

A.C.C.O.A. Bingo - Tuesday 6:30 p.m., Lincoln Senior Center. All paper games, Michigan Progressive, two jackpots, cookie jar. Non-smoking area provided. Proceeds to ACCOA senior programs. A239401C.

BOARD OF REVIEW

Board of Review Notice
 Public Notice March Board of Review Gustin Township, Gustin Township Hall 113 S. Second St., Lincoln, Mich. 48742, Monday, March 8 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Tuesday, March 9, 3-9 p.m.. An organizational meeting will be held March 2 at 6 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. By board resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 9, 2010. Appearing below are the recommended tentative equalization ratios and estimated multipliers as provided by Alcona Equalization Department.

Agricultural	48.22	1.00
Commercial	49.09	1.00
Industrial	50.26	1.00
Residential	58.05	1.00
Development	50.00	1.00
Personal Prop.	50.00	1.00

Americans with disabilities (ADA) notice. The township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the board of review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact Ted Somers P.O. Box 345 Lincoln, MI 48742, (989) 335-0377. 2-10 2-17 2-24

2010 Board of Review Notice
 Hawes Township VFW Post 8135, 2120 Trask Lake Road, Barton City, MI 48705
 The Hawes Township Board of Review for 2010 will be held at the VFW Post, 2120 Trask Lake Road on the following dates: March 8, 2010 3-9 p.m. and March 12, 2010 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m. An organizational meeting will be held March 2, 2010 at 7 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. The Board of Review may meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests and to equalize the 2010 assessments. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 8, 2010.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2010 are as follows:

Agricultural	49.48	1.00000
Commercial	49.98	1.00000
Industrial	49.77	1.00000
Residential	49.79	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Notice. The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact: Rodney Cordes at (989) 736-8460. 2-17 thru 3-3

Public Notice March Board of Review Alcona Township. Alcona Township Hall, 5576 US-23, Black River, MI 48721 March 8 1-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. and March 9 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. An organizational meeting will take place March 7 at 2 p.m. No appeals will be heard at this meeting. By board resolution residents and non residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 9, 2010. Americans with Disabilities (ADA) notice. The township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the board of Review meeting upon seven days notice. Contact Supervisor Carlin at (989) 471-5606.

Public notice Township of Caledonia 2010 March Board of Review meeting Caledonia Township Hall, Gillard Rd. Spruce, MI. Monday, March 8, 2010 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday March 11, 2010 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held by the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 5 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be reviewed at this meeting. Residents and nonresidents may protest to board of review by letter mailed to 4808 Webster Rd., Glennie, MI 48737. Letters must be received by March 11, 2010. Appearing below are the tentative equalization ratios and estimated multipliers as provided by the Alcona county equalization department.

	Ratio	Multiplier
Agricultural	45.75	1.09290
Commercial	49.49	1.01030
Industrial	49.66	1.00685
Residential	55.03	0.90860
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans with disabilities act (ADA) notice the township will provide necessary and reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the board of review meetings upon seven days notice. contact Tammy Fall Assessor at 989-735-2122. 2-10 2-17 2-24

2010 Board of Review Notice
 Millen Township, Barton City FOE 4141, 671 N. Sanborn Road, Barton City, MI 48705 The Millen Township Board of Review for 2010 will be held at the Barton City FOE, 671 N. Sanborn Road on the following dates: March 9, 2010 3-9 p.m. and March 13, 2010 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 2, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. The Board of Review may meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests and to equalize the 2010 assessments. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 9, 2010.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2010 are as follows:

Agricultural	49.67	1.00000
Commercial	49.98	1.00000
Residential	49.97	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Notice. The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact: James Burger at (989) 736-3401. 2-17 thru 3-3

2010 Board of Review Notice
 Mitchell Township, 6849 W. Tower Road, Curran, MI 48728. The Mitchell Township Board of Review for 2010 will be held at the Mitchell Township Hall, 6849 Tower Road on the following dates: March 8, 2010 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m. and March 10, 2010 2-5 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 2, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. The Board of Review may meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests and to equalize the 2010 assessments. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 8, 2010. The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2010 are as follows:

Agricultural	49.40	1.00000
Commercial	49.94	1.00000
Industrial	49.85	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Notice. The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact: Supervisor Gregory Murnock at (989) 848-5610. 2-17 thru 3-3

2010 Board of Review Notice
 Harrisville Township, 114 S. Poor Farm Road, Harrisville, MI 48740. The Harrisville Township Board of Review for 2010 will be held at the Harrisville Township Hall, 114 S. Poor Farm Road on the following dates: March 9, 2010 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and March 11, 2010 3-9 p.m. An organizational meeting will be held March 2, 2010 at 8 a.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. The Board of Review may meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests and to equalize the 2010 assessments. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 9, 2010.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2010 are as follows:

Agricultural	49.49	1.00000
Commercial	49.95	1.00000
Industrial	49.69	1.00000
Residential	49.99	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Notice. The Township will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact: Supervisor Tom Stone at (989) 724-6872. 2-17 thru 3-3

2010 Board of Review Notice
 City of Harrisville City Clerk's Office, 200 Fifth Street, Harrisville, MI 48740. The City of Harrisville Board of Review for 2010 will be held at the City Clerk's Office, 200 Fifth Street on the following dates: March 9, 2010 3-9 p.m. and March 11, 2010 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

An organizational meeting will be held March 2, 2010 at 10:15 a.m. to examine the assessment roll. No appeals will be taken at this meeting. The Board of Review may meet as many more days as deemed necessary to hear questions, protests and to equalize the 2010 assessments. Residents are able to protest by letter, provided protest letter is received prior to March 9, 2010.

The tentative ratios and the estimated multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2010 are as follows:

Commercial	49.64	1.00000
Industrial	49.93	1.00000
Residential	49.87	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Notice. The City will provide necessary reasonable services to individuals with disabilities at the Board of Review meetings upon seven days notice. Contact: Danina Karsen at City Clerk's Office, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. daily at (989) 724-6666. 2-17 thru 3-3

ALCONA TWP. SYNOPSIS

The Alcona Township Board met in February for its regular meeting and was called to order by Supervisor Carlin at 7 p.m. with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: Carlin, LaLonde, Gauthier, MacNeill and Mead. Clerk's minutes and treasurer's report were filed. Motions to pay bills as presented, to place a one mill request for one year for fire protection and a one mill request for two years for roads (these are both renewals), to support the efforts of Huron Pines Conservation District concerning eradication of invasive phragmites invading the shoreline, to sign a two year contract with the county allowing them to administer land division splits for the township, and to replace 20 road signs that are in poor condition. All motions passed. Next regular board meeting March 9, 2010.

Dawn LaLonde, Clerk
 This synopsis published prior to board approval.

