



Alcona FFA students Kaitlyn Dennett and Michael Suitor bottle fresh maple syrup which is made at the "Sugar Shack" as a project of the Alcona agriscience class under the direction of teacher and FFA advisor Brian Matchett. The group is getting ready for its second annual Maple Syrup Celebration Day on Saturday. Last year 650 people participated in the event. More information is on page 4 in Local Notes. *Courtesy photo.*

## Mentors help youth build self esteem

**By Katrina E. Kniep**  
*Special to the Review*

A small unfunded program, sponsored by Alcona County's Family Court is quietly building assets for a group of Alcona County youth.

Those assets aren't financial or tangible, but developmental assets such as having an individual with an interest in the grades they receive or lending a listening ear when they need to talk.

This program matches youth with adults and is a mentor program. It is open to students from eight to 17 years of age, referred from Alcona and Oscoda schools. At this time, the majority of youth participants fall into the 16-17-year-old range.

"Our goal is that mentors have a positive impact on the life of a child, make a difference in their life," said Family Court's Tammy Ranger who oversees the program. She explained the program is based on a Big Brothers/Big Sisters concept. "You can't underestimate the value of a positive person in a young person's life," she said.

Scott Moore, principal at Richardson Elementary and Middle School in the Oscoda School District agreed. Approximately 10 percent of students in the program attend Oscoda schools and "One of the real positives of this program is the people," Moore said. "They are doing a fantastic job."

Moore considers the program "one of the better programs we've had the pleasure to work with" and commended both Tammy Ranger and Tom Keller of the family court. "They have been very proactive in coming in and working with young people who might otherwise run onto

the wrong side of the law enforcement community up the road," he said.

Moore also praised Family Court Judge Laura Frawley. "(She) has done an excellent job of promoting the program and giving her people support," he said. "The Court's philosophy is one we share, being proactive, not reactive."

Judge Frawley called the program, "a testament to what people can do." Although a Recovery Act grant was turned down earlier this year, "we put a call out and people stepped forward," she said. There's no mileage (reimbursement) or anything. I'm amazed with the response" (of volunteer mentors.)

In particular, Frawley said, the program helps youth who need more adult support and adult input in their lives. They may have a single parent or a family overtaxed by work or younger siblings. In addition to learning from a positive role model, the students are empowered by the knowledge that they matter to the community, Ranger said.

Approximately 10 percent of the youth in the program attend Oscoda schools and Moore has been extremely supportive, Ranger said.

The Mentor Program has no specific requirements regarding the number of days or amount of time spent with the youth but rather emphasizes the amount of concern and attention given to each youth. Adult mentors undergo extensive background checks before being added to a central registry.

"Hopefully, the program will grow," Frawley said. "I'm so impressed with the quality and dedication of our volunteers. In this economy they are doing this from the goodness of their hearts, saying 'I will invest in this child's life.' This could be the answer to

## Local recycler produces heating pellets

**By Cheryl Peterson**  
*Editor*

Talking trash with Herb Travis is an educational experience and a lesson in perseverance.

Travis, the owner of Travis Sanitation, has been in business since July 1, 1995 when he bought out an existing trash hauling service. In the 15 years since, he's built the company up from 746 customers to more than 3,000 residential customers - not to mention numerous commercial customers.

The number of households served by the company has blossomed in the last year when Travis Sanitation began accepting recyclable materials. Which, according to Herb Travis, is not a money making move. "There's no money in recycling," he said. "But I built trucks to be able to collect garbage and recycling material. People thought I was crazy."

He wasn't crazy. He was just planning ahead. Travis was planning to reuse much of the recycled material - newspaper, cardboard and office paper - into a reusable energy source. That's where the perseverance comes in. It has taken Travis nine months to fine tune the process in which he takes the recycled material and turns it into high efficiency heating pellets.

In order to make the pellets he purchased reconditioned machinery in which he spent months retooling and fine tuning in order to be able to produce heating pellets that he was pleased with. The process includes developing the right mixture of the paper materials, grinding it into "dust," putting that through a pellet mill which

heats it and forms it into a solid pellet.

"It's the hottest (burning), non fossil fuel on the market right now," Travis said. "It burns at 9,100 BTUs. It burns hotter than corn. The whole gist of the thing is that it's garbage. I wish I could say this was my idea - it wasn't, but putting this process together was. Every ton (of pellets) that I ship out is a ton (of material) that is not going to a land fill."

Travis said developing the process was fraught with obstacles and he spent many sleepless nights and long days working out kinks. He ended up custom building the machinery. "It took nine months to make the first (40 pound) bag of pellets, but now we can make a bag of pellets in

under 40 seconds," Travis said.

Now that production is going well, Travis has turned to marketing his product - Travis Bio-Flame high efficiency heating pellets. He is working with heating stove manufacturers like Central Boiler located in Greenbush, Minn. to get the word out about his pellets, which he said burn in most heating stoves.

Not having to pay for the material to make the pellets offsets the expense of collecting recyclables and other expenses associated with production and distribution. "This is what makes us be able to recycle," Travis said.

Travis currently employs

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Herb Travis displays the Travis Bio-Flame high efficiency heating pellet packaging that he designed. The owner of Travis Sanitation recently finished fine-tuning the production process that uses recyclable materials to make the pellets. *Photo by Cheryl Peterson.*

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six people at the pellet production plant located on the former Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda and hopes to employ many more once the plant is running on a consistent basis. "I say 'one man's trash is another man's em-

ployment,'" Travis said as he walked around the plant talking about the machinery he refitted. He is planning on having an open house in the future to highlight the production process.

His pellets are for sale at Oscoda Home Center in Oscoda and Bernard Lumber in Hale. They are packaged in white 40 pound bags with a happy flame logo which looks a little like the inventor.

Travis Sanitation, located on Kings Corner Road in Oscoda (right on the southern border of Alcona County and northern border of Iosco County), services residential and commercial accounts in Alcona and Iosco counties and accepts newspaper, cardboard, office paper, tin cans, glass and No. 1 and No. 2 plastic containers. For more information about its services and Travis Bio-Flame, its subsidiary company, call (989) 739-5244.



### Greatest Moment

Thanks to Dustin from Rock Falls, Ill., for writing to share his greatest feeder moment. Dustin has a red-headed woodpecker that keeps coming back to his peanut feeder. I'm telling you, folks, peanuts are the way to go. Red-headed woodpeckers are cool. Thanks for writing, Dustin!

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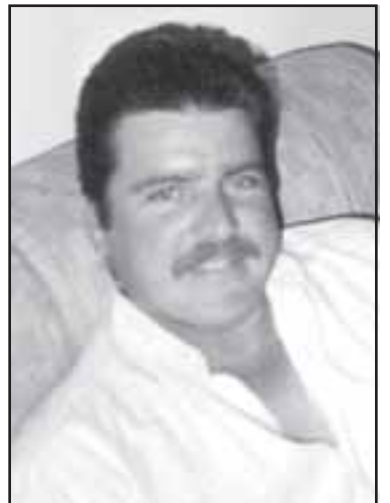
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## Obituaries

### Michael P. Maviglia



Michael P. Maviglia, 52, of Lincoln died of lung cancer on Thursday, March 18, 2010 at home.

He was born December 19, 1957 in Detroit, Mich. He was raised in Lincoln and graduated from Alcona High School in 1976.

Mr. Maviglia was a robotic programmer and a resident of Caledonia, Mich. before returning to Lincoln in 2009.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mellisa Hoffer and Ashley Minarik; two grandchildren; his mother, Margaret Maviglia; one sister, Annette (Victor) Fuentes; one brother, Anthony (Shawn) Maviglia; three nephews; and two nieces.

He was preceded in death by his father, Antonio Maviglia on June 4, 2008;

and one sister, Tamara Maviglia on April 8, 2008.

Private memorial services are planned. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

### Stella B. Kudla



Stella Barbara Kudla, 95, of Harrisville, died on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at home surrounded by her family.

She was born October 16, 1914 in Golcowa, Poland to Frank and Sophia Augustyn.

She married Theodore Kudla on January 27, 1932. He moved to New York and she followed seven years later aboard the last ship to sail before Germany invaded Poland.

They resided in Cleveland, Ohio before moving to Harrisville in 1948.

Mrs. Kudla worked at Midwest Metal, Rolled Products and Harrisville Tool. She enjoyed cooking for family and friends. She was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church of Harrisville.

Mrs. Kudla is survived by one daughter, Maxine (David) Sterner of Harrisville; three grandchildren, Wayne (Mary Jane) Sterner of Cadillac, Mich., David (Twila) Sterner Jr. of Wichita Falls, Texas and Kym England of Lansing, Mich.; and four great-granddaughters, Mikala and

Natalie Sterner and Kara and Lindsey England.

She was preceded in death by one son, John Sterner, in 1950; her husband, Theodore, on May 8, 1995; one sister; and two brothers, John Augustyn and Bernard Augustyn.

The funeral was held on March 20 at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. The Rev. William Livinus officiated. Burial was in St. Anne Catholic Cemetery, Harrisville. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

### George R. Jack

George R. Jack, 85, of Flint, Mich. died on Monday, Feb. 22, 2010 at Maple Woods Manor.

He was born September 22, 1924 in Lincoln to Ainsworth and Mary Gladys (Greenfield) Jack.

He married Lucille Cummings on August 22, 1953.

He worked in maintenance for the water department in the city of Flint, Mich., then moved to Hurley Medical Center eventually retiring in the early 1980s.



He was a member of the Masons in Lincoln and enjoyed going up north to his family's farm in Lincoln and spending time with them. He enjoyed travelling out West.

Mr. Jack is survived by his wife, Lucille; one son, Russell (Barbara) Jack; one daughter, Kathleen Jack; two grandchildren, Andrew Jack and Amanda Jack; two sisters-in-law, Louise Jack and Alexena Jack.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Cora (Arnold) Knuth; and two brothers, Lyle Jack and Harold "Bud" Jack.

Services have been held. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or Alzheimer's Association.

## Mentors

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the nation's problems. Taking care of each other because it is the right thing to do."

Individuals interested in the mentoring program may contact the family court at (989) 724-9470.

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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
March 14	41	38	0.00	14.8	30	NE
March 15	55	39	0.00	7.0	22	NNE
March 16	48	29	0.00	3.8	15	N
March 17	51	28	0.00	1.9	17	N
March 18	66	35	0.00	3.2	23	N
March 19	54	33	0.03	3.8	18	N
March 20	34	28	0.00	6.6	21	N

#### 2009-2010 Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.03	0.0	0.49
March to Date	0.43	0.0	1.32
Year/Season to Date	1.09	22.2	4.43

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, MARCH 24

Join Mary Ellen Jones for a 12-week course using Julia Cameron's book "The Artist's Way" to find and express your authentic creativity. Class meets each Wednesday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. and began on March 17 but interested persons may join today, the second class. Location to be announced. Class has a limited enrollment, pre-registration highly recommended by calling (989) 724-5434 or e-mail at mejonmv@gmail.com. Cost is \$300 (includes book).

The Alcona County Library Board will meet at the Harrisville branch at 2 p.m.

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.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 25

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. Contact Stan at (989) 724-5550 or visit [www.alconaradio.org](http://www.alconaradio.org) for further information.

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.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 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.

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

The Sunrise Moose Lodge No. 2529 of Greenbush will have a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. Members and guests welcome. For more information, call (989) 724-5995.

An advanced Microsoft Excel (CEC 12216) class will be offered in room 111 of the administration building on Kirtland Community College's main campus near Roscommon, Mich. from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$25 and will include lunch. Pre-registration is required. For details or to register, visit <http://kirtland.edu/command/> or call (989) 275-5000, extension 279.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 27

There will be an Easter egg hunt for children ages 12 and under at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at noon.

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.

The Alcona FFA will be hosting their second annual Maple Syrup Celebration Day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Alcona Community Schools. There will be a pancake breakfast, games for children, horse drawn wagon rides, syrup samples and tours of the Sugar Shack. Admission is free but donations are greatly appreciated.

The public is invited to see a Civil War re-enactors training camp at the ARA fairgrounds on Barlow Road in Lincoln with many varied demonstrations from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For further information, contact CWAlcona@gmail.com or call (989) 724-6939.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 28

The public is invited to see a Civil War re-enactors training camp at the ARA fairgrounds on Barlow Road in Lincoln from 9 a.m. to noon. Company formations (marching) will be demonstrated. For further information, contact CWAlcona@gmail.com or call (989) 724-6939.

The Harrisville United Methodist Church will host a meal at noon. Everyone is welcome.

### MONDAY, MARCH 29

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.

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 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Anyone interested in attending can register by calling Jennie at (989) 356-2161. There is an \$18 course fee.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 30

A wildflower photography presentation by Sue Malski will be at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 11 a.m.

There will be a public meeting at 7 p.m. at the municipal building in Harrisville for all who will be affected by the Harrisville Water Project. For more information, call (989) 379-4024.

The Ostomy Support Group will meet at 3 p.m. in classroom C of St. Joseph Hospital in Tawas City. This free program is designed for anyone who has a stoma as well as their caregivers and loved ones. Participants are encouraged to bring extra ostomy supplies and samples of new ostomy devices for exchange and discussion. For more information, call (989) 362-4611.

The Alcona County Democrats will meet at 7 p.m. at the EMS building on M-72 just east of F-41. Special guests David Leyton and G. T. Long will be in attendance. Simple Miracles of Harrisville will supply pizza for all who attend. Everyone is welcome. Questions, call (989) 736-6516.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

The annual White Breakfast will be served at the Harrisville Methodist Church at 9 a.m. Everyone is invited for cinnamon rolls, coffee or tea followed by a program of a speaker, special music and a skit.

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- Alcona Community Schools and staff Facility
- Coles Appliance: Big Screen TV's and set up
- Alcona County Fair Board for the Wii Equipment,

#### Door Prize Contributors:

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Rob the Drummer        MSU Extension  
Catholic Human Services

#### Judges:

Judge Laura Fawley        Tammy Ranger  
Warren MacNeill        Barb Luenberger

Dave Bielusiak,  
M.C. - Deputy Nathanael Leeseberg  
Scorekeeper/Tech Guy-Les Thomas  
Concessions worker- Patti Byce.

Also congratulations to junior division winner- Brett Sexton and senior division winner- Kevin Pagels. Thank you.

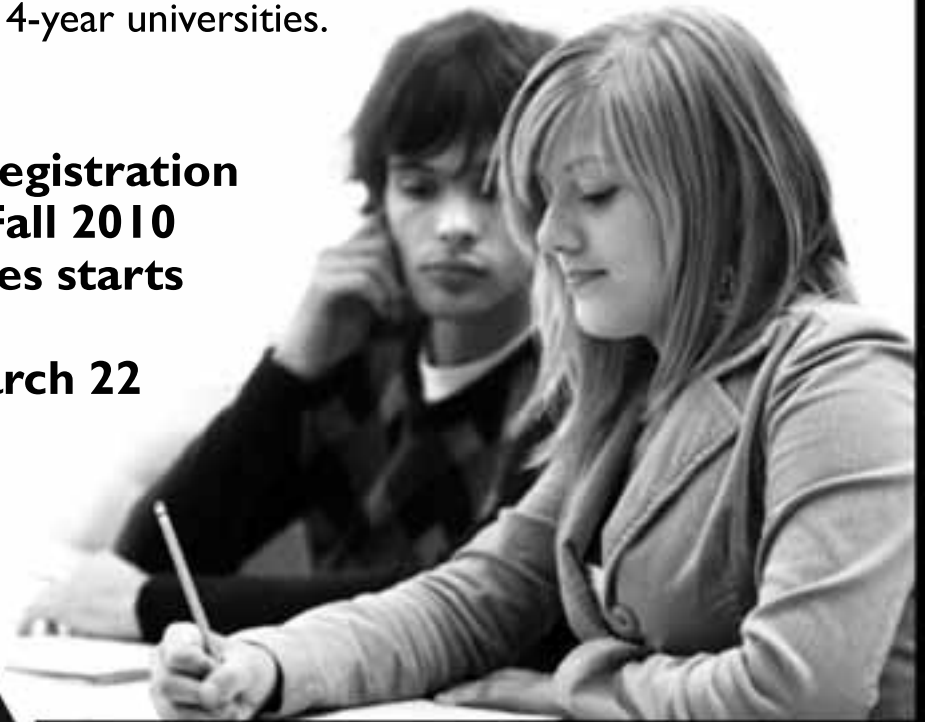
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## Local Notes

### Maple Syrup Celebration

The Alcona FFA's Chapter is holding its second annual Maple Syrup Celebration Day on Saturday, March 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the "Sugar Shack" located behind the Alcona Elementary School on Barlow Road, Lincoln. The day will feature a pancake and sausage breakfast, games for children, horse drawn wagon rides, samples of maple syrup and tours of the "Sugar Shack" which produces maple syrup. The event is free and open to all ages. Donations are accepted. For more information, contact the Alcona agriscience program at (989) 736-8534, extension 428.

### Fall Bus Tour Dates Set

The Fall Bus Color Tour Committee met on March 17 to begin planning for the 2010 trip. As usual, the theme is a secret, but the dates have been set for October 7 and 8. Tickets will go on sale the morning of September 7 at the Michigan State University Extension office. Stay tuned for further information.

### Away at School

Amanda Hanner of Lincoln recently graduated with a Master's of Science in administration degree from Central Michigan University.

### New Arrival

Garrett Coull Calder is the new son of Dannielle (Charney) and Bill Calder of Taylor, Mich. He was born on January 2, 2010 at Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center in Dearborn, Mich. He weighed seven pounds, 14 ounces and was 20.25 inches long. He is the grandson of Barbara Johnson of Trenton, Mich. and Gordon and Su-

san Calder of Harrisville. He is the great-grandson of Jeanne Griffith of Harrisville and Bill and Marilyn Griffith of Fort Pierce, Fla.

### 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, March 29—Country steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, flavored applesauce and fruit.

• Tuesday, March 30—Sloppy Joe on a bun, spudsters, broccoli, pickled beets and fruit.

• Wednesday, March 31—Stuffed green peppers, parsley potatoes, corn, American blend salad, fruit and rice pudding.

*(Editor's Note: The menu for the rest of the week was not available by press time.)*

### Calling all Artists

The Alcona Historical Society, in cooperation with the East Shore Art Guild, is holding a competition for the 2011 Alcona Historic Sites Calendar. The theme for this year is "One-Room Schools of Alcona County," which could include any Alcona one-room school, now or in the past. Also acceptable subjects

would be one-room school items, such as desks, blackboards, lunch pails, etcetera, or one-room school activities, such as lessons, recess, programs, etc. Only original artwork, of any media, will be accepted. The artwork must depict a location in Alcona County, current or historical.

Each artist may submit up to two entries, suitably framed or matted for display. (Note: Artwork in landscape style, rather than portrait style, is better suited to the calendar format.) Entries must be delivered to the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Monday, June 7 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. All entries will be judged during that week by an independent judge (or judges) selected by the East Shore Art Guild and the Historical Society. Thirteen works may be selected (one for each month, and one for the cover). The decision of the judge(s) is final. If not enough quality selections are presented, the historical society may, at its discretion, include historic photographs of one-room schools. All entries will be on display at the library through Friday, June 18, and must be picked up on that date.

Over 100 calendars are sold each year and many become cherished keepsakes. For more information, call Lynn VanderLinde at (989) 724-7902 or Bernie Blaszak at (989) 724-6347.

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3. Boxer
4. Cairn Terrier
5. Chihuahuas
6. Cocker Spaniel
7. Dachshunds
8. English Bulldog
9. Italian Greyhound
10. Lhasa Apso

\* listed alphabetically

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Five generations of Vivian MacNeill's (front row, center) family enjoyed a visit recently. (Front row, from left) her daughter Pamela Blankenship, her great-great-granddaughter Kira Thomas; (back row) her great-granddaughter Kassi Thomas and her granddaughter Mary Thomas.

## Oscoda Youth Wrestling

Eight Oscoda Youth wrestlers, under Coach Meyer and with the help of some of the Alpena coaches, competed in Petoskey, Mich. on Saturday, March 20, at the Petoskey High School.

Wrestlers faced off against those in their grade and weight brackets. One Oscoda grappler, Daryl Jackson, had to bow out after three matches due to a slight injury.

Those medaling were: Ian Boboltz, third place; Andy Meyer, first place; Benjamin Morang, first place; Knesley Johnson, first place; and Danny Benegas, first place.

John Febish took fourth place and Amber Jackson took fifth place, both winning participation ribbons.

### WANTED

Mikado Township is seeking interested people in planning of a festival to celebrate its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary. A planning meeting will be held on April 6 at 7 p.m. at the Mikado Civic Center. All interested people wishing to be on the committee with ideas should attend.

Jesus "Yogi" Yruegas

Mikado Township Supervisor



# Alcona Athletic Association reorganizes to help local youth sports programs

By Dan O'Connor  
Sports Writer

Local athletics will again have the help of the Alcona Athletic Association as a group of residents and parents have volunteered to re-start the organization.

As budgets tighten at all levels in the community and around the state, more pressure falls on varsity and middle school sports at Alcona Schools and local youth leagues to raise funds to support each program.

According to new President Michelle Krisan, that is where the Alcona Athletic Association (AAA) comes in. "We want to help out the school and the local youth," she said.

The AAA folded roughly three years ago and it left local athletics scrambling to

find more ways to raise funds to support athletics. "We are just starting up, but our goal is helping the kids and making programs available for them," added Krisan.

Currently, the organization has Krisan as president, Matt Mead as vice president, Renee LaVergne as treasurer and Kim Ritchie as secretary. Ed LaVergne, Tina Smigelski, Marla Oliver and Kevin Fettes are also on the board as trustees.

The next meeting will occur in early April according to Krisan. The group is still in the early stages of organizing, but does hope to run a 3-on-3 tournament sometime in April to get the ball rolling.

As the group raises money, Krisan said that each local athletic group is eligible for

applying for money from the AAA. "We will have an application to fill out, in regards to how much (money) you need and what it will be used for."

Organizations like this are hard to sustain because of the volunteer status, so Krisan and the board knows it is critical to find more people who are willing to help.

"We just want more people to get involved. We are always looking for ideas from the community."

Anyone interested in helping the AAA in any capacity is encouraged to contact Michelle Krisan at (989) 724-5650 or any other of the board members.

We would like to take this time to thank all area businesses and private individuals that donated and participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual DDA Village of Lincoln Easter Egg Hunt:

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|--|------------------------------|
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| Byce Realty                              | Phil the Barber              |
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| Huron Community Bank                     | Advisor Jenny Caldwell       |
| Lincoln Lions Club                       | Ivy Ridenour                 |
| Lincoln Downtown Development Association |                              |

Because of you we had an incredible Easter Egg Hunt for the children of Alcona County. We had a great turn out, and every child left with a gift.

As we have told you before, we are very proud to belong to such a caring and generous community, without you we would not have been able to put on such a successful event. Just the smiles on all of the children's faces said it all, they had a great time. A thank you also goes to those individuals that volunteered their time to help out at this event; we couldn't have done it without all of you.

Thank you again, Teresa Hart, activities chairman and Naomi Potter, assistant chairman

## Bowling

<b>Huron</b>		High individual game: Caroline Barlow, 170.
<i>March 16</i>		High individual series: Tammy Hurt-Mendyka, 440.
Back Alley Bar	22 62	High team game and series: Tigerlilys, 452 and 1,291.
Outdoor Ctr.	10 55.5	
Lincoln Prec.	15 47	
B & D Sales	20 47	
Big Joe's Motel	19 40	
Gary Oil	8 39	
Carpet One	15 38	
E & M Bldrs.	11 31.5	
High game: Jerry Blaszk, 266.		
High series: Paul Somers, 640.		
High handicap game: Jerry Blaszk, 291.		
High handicap series: Paul Somers, 694.		

<b>Early Bloomers</b>		
<i>March 16</i>		
Buttercups	188 100	
Tigerlilys	172.5 115.5	
Daffodils	154 134	
Violets	147.5 140.5	
Rosebuds	144 144	
Marigolds	133 155	
Bluebells	117 171	
Mums	96 192	

<b>Wednesday Nite Women's</b>		
<i>March 17</i>		
JB's Auto	59 31	
Ark Plumbing	57 33	
Udder Team	56 34	
Alcona Abstract	51 39	
Moosetales	47 43	
Alcona Tool	45 45	
Richard's Phar.	44 46	
Stoney Acres	42 48	
Animal Clinic	41.5 48.5	
Mikado Mkt.	39 51	
Back Alley Bar	26.5 63.5	
Abend Bros.	22 58	
High game: Lynn Gibson, 198.		
High series: Gale Buchner, 546.		
High handicap game: Kari Smith, 242.		
High handicap series: Gale Buchner, 609.		

## Pool League

<b>Alcona Women's</b>	
<i>March 18</i>	
Mikado Legion	158
Glennie Tavern	140
Mikado Tavern	135
Smokey's	125
Back Alley	121
Wagon Wheel	113
Oasis	90

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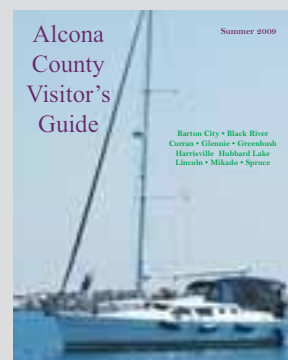
The Review is looking for photographs that depict what summer in Alcona County is all about.

We are looking for good quality, eye-catching, color photos that represent the best Alcona County has to offer in the way of summertime fun and/or scenic beauty. Some examples: Waterskiing on Hubbard Lake, canoeing on the Pine River, a bonfire at dusk, deer walking the shoreline at sunrise, etc.

All photos submitted will be posted on the Review's Web site: [alconareview.com](http://alconareview.com). People can vote to select the "People's Choice" winner. The People's Choice winner will receive \$50.



One of the photographs entered will be selected for the cover of the 2010 Alcona County Visitor's Guide.




See our Web site: [www.alconareview.com](http://www.alconareview.com) for contest rules



## Organization Notes

**2010 Spring Tree Sale Ends Soon!**  
 The deadline for the Alcona Conservation District Tree Sale is Wednesday, March 31. There are still plenty of trees available for this spring's planting but hurry, time is running out! For more information, contact the district at (989) 724-5272, or e-mail [lisa.myrick@macd.org](mailto:lisa.myrick@macd.org).



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**Alcona FFA Chapter**

Two weeks ago 16 members of the Alcona FFA Chapter traveled to Michigan State University to participate in the 82<sup>nd</sup> Michigan FFA State Convention.

There were a total of 1,764 FFA members from chapters from all over the state who participated at the convention which was held March 10, 11 and 12.

The Alcona FFA Chapter received a Gold National FFA Chapter Award and were placed in the Top 10 chapters in the state. With this ranking, they will advance to the national level where they will receive recognition at the

national convention in Indianapolis, Ind.

Fourteen members of the Alcona chapter competed in leadership contests and four members received an Outstanding Junior award, State Degree and a Proficiency award.

The following teams competed in leadership contests:

- Greenhand conduct of meetings: 11<sup>th</sup> place, silver.
- Greenhand public speaking: Megann Ridgewell -- eighth place, gold.
- Creed speaking: Katelyn Sims -- ninth place, silver; Victoria Ankner -- third place, gold.

- Demonstration - bio-diesel production team -- eighth place, silver.

- Outstanding Junior Award: Elin Loyer.

- State Degree: Kaitlyn Dennett, Connor Hubbard and Michael Suitor.

- Proficiency Award: Kaitlyn Dennett.

- Diversified Livestock Production Entrepreneurship - bronze: Connor Hubbard

- Emerging Agriculture Technology Placement: Gold.

- Home and Community Development Entrepreneurship: Michael Suitor.

- Agricultural Processing Placement: Gold.



The Alcona FFA Chapter standing in front of the Michigan State University sign with all the awards they received.

— Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

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Alcona High School students Theresa Hartman, Shianne VanVolkenburg and Chelsea Ouillet read to kindergartners Dakota Stevenson, Braylin Roe and Sara Decker on March 16 in Marylynn Mullen's kindergarten class. Alcona High School's Spanish 3 students in Carolyn Watts' class wrote and illustrated children's stories for a class assignment. Reading the children's stories helped practice more of their Spanish skills, such as speaking and reading.

Some of the kindergartners already knew some Spanish words and were excited to share that knowledge. They also enjoyed learning some new words in Spanish and interacting with the high school students. Afterwards they discussed stories they might like to write when they are in high school. "The students caught on quickly," said Hilary Ortiz, a senior in the Spanish 3 class. Although the books were written entirely in Spanish, the kindergartners understood and learned quickly. Many of the groups taught Spanish expressions to the students while reading. Dennis Neveu enjoyed the experience and liked working with the kindergartners. Jenna Richardson, a senior in Watts' class, loved how the children interacted with the story she read with Alisha Apsey. *Courtesy photo.*

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# Alcona County Sheriff's Report

## For the Week of March 13-20, 2010

**52 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 1 Warrant; 2 Operate While Intoxicated; 1 Drive While License Suspended.**

### Complaint Statistics

Traffic	5	Car/Deer Accidents	3
Property Damage Accidents	1	General Assistance	6
False Alarm	1	Domestic	2
Animal	5	Mental	1
911 Hang Up	1	Vio. of Public Health Code	1
Mal. Destruction of Property	1	Operate While Intoxicated	2
Drive While Lic. Suspended	1	Fraud	2
Well Being Check	1	Warrant Arrest	3
Harassment	2	Miscellaneous	4
Suspicious Situation	1	Impersonation	1
Overdose	1	Vehicle Inspection	1
Civil	2	Juvenile	1
Assault	1	Minor in Poss. of Alcohol	1
Threats	1		

### Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	4	Caledonia	2	Curtis	1
Greenbush	8	Gustin	2	Harrisville	8
Hawes	5	Haynes	4	Mikado	3
Millen	2	Mitchell	2		
Harrisville City	9	Village of Lincoln	2		

## District Court

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

- John Eldon Vantine, 37, of Spruce was sentenced to 20 days in jail, one year probation and fines and court costs of \$100 for violation of probation.

- Anthony Daniel Taylor, 37, of Waterford, Mich. was sentenced to 10 days in jail, six months probation and fines and court costs of \$1,191.32 for possession of marijuana.

- David Anton Vance, 31, of South Branch was sentenced to 10 days in jail, one year probation and fines and court costs of \$1,010 for use of a controlled substance.

- Debbie Jo Souchereau, 51, of Oscoda was sentenced to 15 days in jail and fines and court costs of \$915 for three counts of non sufficient funds more than \$100, first offence.

- Joseph Everett Wright, 28, of Lincoln was sentenced to four days in jail, six months probation and fines and court costs of \$1,120 for operating while visibly impaired.

- Tamara Denise Basner, 39, of Black River was sentenced to three days in jail and fines and court costs of \$445 for no valid license in possession.

- Larry Stanley Bobick, 61, of Lincoln was sentenced to

court costs and fines of \$921.19 for no insurance.

- Rachel Anne Emerson, 32, of Black River was sentenced to 14 days in jail, one year probation and court costs and fines of \$1,895 for operating while intoxicated.

- Gregory Carl Rogers, 50, of Howell, Mich. was sentenced to 45 days in jail, court costs and fines of \$1,980 and two years probation for operating while intoxicated.

- Phillip David VonFintel, 39, of Barton City was sentenced to two days in jail, one year probation, fines and court costs of \$390 and restitution of \$180 for disorderly person - drunk.

- Darcia Louise Bunner, 45, of Hale was sentenced to court costs and fines of \$250 for attempting to feed deer where prohibited.

- John Michael O'Neil, 46, of Gaylord, Mich. was sentenced to fines and court costs of \$125 for hunting with a crossbow without a permit.

- Ahren Michael Edwin Speagle, 19, of Oscoda was sentenced to 93 days in jail and restitution of \$1,569.25 for receiving and concealing stolen property under \$200.

- Vincent Peter Peck, 46, of Rose City, Mich. was sentenced to four days in jail, one year probation and fines and court costs of \$1,970 for possession of a firearm while under the influence and operating while visibly impaired.

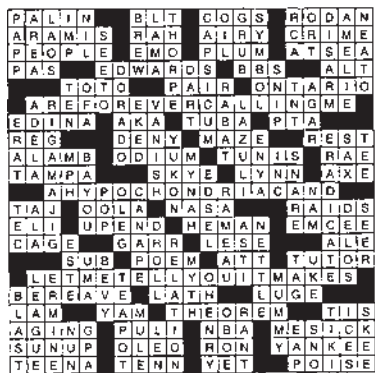
- Charles Baker Howton,

72, of Wayne, Mich. was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and court costs of \$770 for operating while visibly impaired.

- Troy Michael Somers, 44, of Lincoln was sentenced to two days in jail and three days of community service and fines and court costs of \$970 for operating while visibly impaired.

### Super Crossword

Answers



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Millen Twp. Clerk, 1814 Jewell Lake Rd., Barton City, MI 48705	736-8607
City of Harrisville Clerk, 200 N. 5 <sup>th</sup> St., Harrisville, MI 48740	724-6666

**TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT** at the regular school election there will be elected one (1) member to the board of education of the district for a full term of four (4) years ending in 2014.

Patricia Truman  
Alcona County Clerk

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# Senior Lifestyles

## Beware of potential 2010 census scams

Dear Savvy Senior,  
Can you offer some tips on how seniors can guard against 2010 census scams? I've heard that there are a lot of potential scams going on and I want to protect myself.  
Suspicious Senior

Dear Suspicious,  
Unfortunately, scams have become a persistent problem when the U.S. Census Bureau does its once-a-decade count of the U.S. population.

In mid-March, nearly every U.S. household received a 2010 Census form in the mail. If you haven't already done so, you need to answer the 10 questions (it only takes a few minutes) and mail the form back in the postage-paid envelope provided. If you did not receive your census form or if you've misplaced it, call the census questionnaire assistance center (866) 872-6868 by April 21 and they will mail you another one.

While census participation is very important and required by law, you also need to be vigilant of census-linked scams. This is especially important for seniors who tend to be prime targets. The Better Business Bureau warns against e-mail scams as well as con artists masquerading as census workers who will try to solicit your personal financial information.

Here are some tips that will help you recognize a census scam and what you can do to protect yourself.

- Guard your information - Don't give out your personal or financial information. The U.S. Census Bureau or a legitimate census worker will never ask for your Social Security number or any information regarding credit cards, banks or financial accounts. Nor will they ask for money or a donation. If you're asked for any of these, whether it be via phone, mail, e-mail or in person, it's a scam and should

be reported to your regional census office. See [census.gov/regions](http://census.gov/regions) or call (800) 923-8282 for contact information.

- Check worker's ID -- If you don't mail in your completed census form, a census taker will visit your home sometime between May and July to fill out the questionnaire for you. A legitimate census taker must present an identification badge that contains a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark and expiration date. The taker will also carry a hand-held device that's used to take your information, a canvas census bag and a confidentiality notice.

Ask to see a photo ID and their badge before answering any questions. However, you should never invite anyone you don't know into your home. The census taker will only ask you the questions that appear on the questionnaire - your name, gender,

age, race, ethnicity, type of residence and number of people living with you. They will not ask for sensitive personal information, such as your Social Security or credit card number.

If you don't trust their ID, close the door and call your regional or local census office to verify that person is an actual census worker.

- Avoid phony e-mails -- The U.S. Census Bureau is not conducting any part of the census on the Internet, nor will it send e-mails regarding the census. So ignore any e-mails that direct you to a census-related Web site. No matter how legitimate the e-mail and Web site look, it's a scam looking to acquire your Social Security number or other private financial information. And, don't reply to the e-mail or open any attachment. Attachments could contain viruses that could infect your computer. Forward the e-

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mail or Web site address to the Census Bureau at [itso.fraud.reporting@census.gov](mailto:itso.fraud.reporting@census.gov). Then delete the message.

Savvy Tips: For more information on the 2010 Census survey and how to guard against potential census-related scams, visit [2010-census.gov](http://2010-census.gov).

(Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](http://SavvySenior.org). Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.)

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# Organization Notes

## Alcona High School Knowledge Bowl

Thursday, March 4 five Alcona High School students and their Knowledge Bowl Coach Anne Walter departed for Spartanburg, S. C., for four days of competition and cultural experiences, ranging from campus visits to trail hiking.

Their first day in South Carolina began with a visit to a local high school for an exclusive viewing of a theatrical production put on by West Hampton High Drama

Department. This was followed by a tour of the Spartanburg/Greenville BMW plant, also home to BMW North America's testing facility. Additionally, students had a chance to experience true Southern cuisine.

The following day began with a campus visit to Furman University, and then a 45 minute drive to Table Top State Park, where students hiked approximately seven miles round trip up Table Top

Mountain -- 3,000 feet in elevation.

On Sunday, the day of the Knowledge Bowl tournament, Alcona students arrived at Clemson University and competed against schools from throughout the South. The training and experiences gained while at Clemson University were invaluable, according to Walter. Alcona, placed in the top 10 of the tournament over-all.



Alcona High School Knowledge Bowl students take in the view from Table Top Mountain in South Carolina. (from left) Alice Geiger, Mackenzie Sims, Ben Bouchard, Jordan Weichel, Dennis Neveu, Advisor Anne Walter and Connor Hubbard. *Courtesy photo.*

## East Shore Art Guild

The March 9 meeting of the East Shore Art Guild (EASG) began at 1 p.m. Bernie Blaszk welcomed everyone and began the meeting by thanking everyone for coming on this beautiful March day and went on to ask for the minutes of the February meeting. Secretary Rose Blaszk read the minutes for February. There were no corrections and the minutes were first, seconded and approved as read.

Treasurer Peg Little was absent this month. Blaszk read the treasurer's report. Report was first, seconded and approved as read.

Blaszk brought up additions to the calendar for 2010/2011. Carol Preuss - composition page, enlargements, note cards, flyers, etcetera, (989) 736-3731.

Also, Ralph Scott, a member of the guild, died February 9. He will be remembered for his cheerful personality, artwork and paintings from his life. A suggestion was made to ask his daughter if we could show some of his artwork in May when we show the guild's artwork at the library. A call to his daughter will be next on the agenda.

Committee chairmen are needed for three events coming up this summer. Summer Impromptu IV Art Shop - July 14; wine and food festival - July 17; and Labor Day art show, tent - September 6 and 7. Sheets were passed around for members who would like to be a chairman or a worker to sign. Please take a moment to think hard and long about considering

this position. The same people seem to be always there for every project. There is always a lot of help and workers but we need a few chiefs.

Students Art Contest - Terry Lipscomb. Students are very excited to begin the art for the contest, "Family Life, Family First" calendar contest. Volunteers are needed to help the children with their original art work. Frames will be given to the first place winners with the help of the art council.

Art in businesses: Alcona Coffee Shop, Harrisville; Senior Center, Lincoln; Huron Community Bank, Harrisville; Northland Area Federal Credit Union, Harrisville; and Alcona County Library, Lincoln. This project will continue this year, if there is anybody interested, call Bernie Blaszk at (989) 724-6347.

The artist of the month is Peg Little. Peg's reception is this Saturday, March 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the East Shore Art Guild Gallery. Hope all can stop by and wish her well and check out her beautiful art. Sisty Behmer has been accepted in the juried art show in Ann Arbor. We send you our best wishes, well done, well done.

Classes: Sharon Griffes Tarr - pastel and oil workshop, May 24 - May 28 (Monday - Friday).

Barbara Wasserman - class on encaustic painting, also a class on composition to take place in June. Dates to follow.

Wine and food festival art

poster contest and the historical calendar contest.

A flyer will be in the newspaper explaining the Spring Fling. We will advertise in the Alcona County Review and the Alpena paper. May 1 will be the reception and refreshments will be served. Their will be two prizes that customers can enter. Prizes are a \$50 certificate and a \$25 gift certificate for Reed's on the River.

We would like a few gallery members to volunteer to paint in the hallway in front of the gallery on Saturdays starting May 1 through April 24. Call Christine Brackett at (989) 724-6025 to volunteer.

Art in the Park is June 19 from noon to 4 p.m. This event will take place at the

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**By Kathryn Fritz Kniep**  
Columnist

You may have missed this, but March is officially National Craft Month. They don't say why, but I assume it's because March as a month doesn't offer much in the way of other crafting opportunities. Or maybe they just figured it was far enough from Christmas Eve that you'd have forgotten your vow to never, ever make anything again.

As some readers may remember, I came to crafting late. It wasn't until I "retired" that I began dabbling in the art of crafting, trying everything from paper cutting to painting rocks. From my family's point of view, that's a good thing. It keeps my mind and my hands busy. And homemade items make nice gifts. Sort of.

I operate on the basis that it builds my friend's vocabulary of adjectives, while setting them up nicely in the area of re-gifting. You'll recognize this once the wrapping paper is set aside and the questions begin. "Oh, it's adorable. Sooo...would you say this is more of a purse or a, um, tote bag?" Or "Oh! That's so cute. Is it a paperweight, or would you use it in the garden?"

In the spirit of National Craft Month, let me share my first rule of crafting: They call them hot glue guns for a reason. Hot glue guns are amazing tools, with which you can bond almost any-

thing, including unlike materials such as glass and driftwood.

Still, every rose has its thorn. In this case, it's the molten glue coming from the working end of the thing. Get a good glob of hot glue on a fingertip and in the process of removing it, you can permanently erase a fingerprint. There are items on the market advertised as "cool" hot glue guns. They are not. With these, however, you'll probably only remove one layer of skin.

Glue, in general, can be a sticky issue. For starters, it's imperative that no matter what type of glue you may be using, before you proceed, you put the cap back on. Trust me on that one. And in the area of spray glue, I can offer this tip. If you put several sheets of newspaper on the floor by your table and use this as an area to spray the glue onto your project pieces, in no time at all you can cover the family cocker spaniel entirely in sticky newspapers.

A couple of young would-be sewers I've worked with in the past have worried about sewing their fingers together. That almost never happens. But I can assure you, it's perfectly possible to glue all manner of objects to a fingertip (including another fingertip) and to learn a great deal about chemistry and physics in the process of getting them unstuck.

Now, let's turn for a moment to the concept of usefulness. It's important to read through the instructions for a given project a couple times before beginning. Then, it's equally important to take a few minutes to consider what -- when you have completed all those steps -- you'll end up with.

Not long ago, for example, I watched Martha Stewart spend the better part of half an hour creating a large, glittered cardboard bird. The project had a lot of steps. Tracing the template, cutting it out with a craft knife, deciding where and what to glitter. And when you were done, you had a truly lovely, large, glittered cardboard bird.

The question being, is yours the kind of home that can really set off a glittered cardboard bird to its best advantage? Mine, littered as it is with paper scraps and threads and little clumps of felt and glue, is not. That didn't dissuade me from making one, mind you. I just spent a really long time considering whom I could give it to.

While we're on the subject, let's talk about glitter. Glitter tends to go in and out of fashion in crafting. At present (largely because Martha is pushing her line of glitter) it's in style. Glitter has been described, quite accurately, as the herpes of crafting. It hangs around a long time after you're done fooling around. Sprinkle the tiniest amount imaginable on the finest line of glue on a greeting card and you'll end up with glitter on your clothing and your eyebrows for a day or so, and find it in the

rug and on the table for a year. It simply does not biodegrade, give up or go away. Ever.

This leads to my theory of why Martha has so many houses. When one becomes unlivable, by virtue of the scraps, globs of hot glue vulcanized to the dining room table and shards of sparkly stuff in the carpets, she simply moves to another while the Hazmat crew comes in to tidy the first one up.

Accordingly, while you're reading through those pages of simple sounding instructions for a given project, you might want to consider the overall impact the project will have. As an example, the prospect of making recycled paper mache type beads from newspaper, hot water and white glue sounded inexpensive, easy and environmentally correct. And it was.

But even after all these years in the newspaper business, I haven't found anything that will remove the printer's ink from the bowl, the wooden spoon and the colander I used to drain the resultant gloop. To say nothing of my fingernails, which looked for a week or so as though I'd taken up a career in coal mining.

As for the beads, well, suffice it to say that my sister asked the other day "What are all those things in the bowl in the kitchen that look sort of like little balls of lava?"

For all the woes I've listed, crafting remains a fun, satisfying and addictive hobby. So addictive, in fact, that it's easy to find yourself awash in clothespin dolls, tote bags and many (many!) lovely, lava-like paper beads, and, as a result, many, many plastic storage containers. Even so, I suppose there are hobbies that are worse -- raising chinchillas in the basement, for example.

So what are you waiting for? Get out there and celebrate National Craft Month. Let your creativity lead you. Glue something to something else. Sew up an iPod cover. Knit a sock monkey or whip up a brace of coffee filter roses. Find out just what your hands and your brain and your hot glue gun can do.

You'll have fun, if you remember to put the cap back on the glue first and to use the glitter in a controlled environment. You'll save money, too, since after awhile, your friends will suggest that really, it's past time to stop exchanging Christmas and birthday gifts.

And if you're stuck for a project, give me a call. I've got great instructions for a perfectly lovely glittered cardboard bird.

*(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 27 years. She and her husband, Art, live in Harrisville.)*

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## Sturgeon guarding program seeks volunteers

Sturgeon for Tomorrow (SFT) Program is seeking individual citizens, as well as groups, businesses and organizations to step forward to help protect one of the most valuable resources in Michigan.

Each spring, mature lake sturgeon, a threatened fish species in Michigan and rare throughout the United States, briefly leave Black Lake in Cheboygan County, seeking spawning sites in the Black River. The sturgeon is highly prized in our culture and when spawning on the shallow rocky beds, become vulnerable to poaching.

For over a decade the Sturgeon Guarding Program has proven that citizens who watch over the river and re-

port any suspicious activity have greatly reduced the unlawful take of this valuable fish, thereby assuring protection and growth of the species.

For a period of about six weeks, from late April through late May, these amazing fish, which can live up to 100 years and weigh over 200 pounds, swim up into the Black River to reproduce. Such a sight is incredible to witness, but even more rewarding is the role caring citizens can play to ensure the protection and enhancement of this species," said Ann Feldhauser, a Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) retiree, who is helping to coordinate the volun-

teer aspect of the program.

While the sturgeon are in the river spawning, volunteers stand watch and, if necessary, use cellular phones which are provided by SFT, to contact conservation officers with the Michigan DNRE, who are patrolling the area in support of the Sturgeon for Tomorrow effort. Shifts are available for those who wish to get involved, and coordinators are on site to assist and answer questions. In addition to "guarding" the fish, volunteers can also play a key role by recording the number of fish they see as well as their activity.

For those who wish to volunteer and must travel to do so, several hotels, restaurants and Onaway State Park, located on Black Lake, are very close to the critical guarding locations on the Black River. Volunteers are also encouraged to set up their rustic camp along the banks of the Black River.

The guarding program, organized by SFT, is an effort done annually to improve the future of lake sturgeon in the Cheboygan River Watershed, and is done in conjunction with other agencies such as DNRE, Michigan State University, and Tower-Kleber Limited Partnership. Other agency operated activities involve tagging sturgeon adults and raising young fish for stocking.

Many volunteer dates are open, and interested persons should contact Ann Feldhauser at (906) 346-9511 or (906) 201-2484 or Brenda Archambo at (231) 625-2776 for more information. The SFT Web site also is available at [www.sturgeonfortomorrow.org](http://www.sturgeonfortomorrow.org).

## MSU Extension names youth institute director

Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) has named Julie A. Chapin as director of its new Institute for Preparing Michigan's Children and Youth for the Future.

The new institute is one of four that have emerged from MSUE's statewide restructuring. The search for the remaining institute directors continues.

Chapin's position is effective July 1, in the meantime, however, she will assist with the transition of MSUE's programs and institutes during the restructuring process.

"Preparing Michigan's children and youth for the future is a critical priority as we look at the issues facing Michigan today and in the years to come," Chapin said. "I believe that MSU Extension and the Institute for Children and Youth can be a significant part of the solution by partnering with schools, human service agencies, communities and families. Together, we can create opportunities that will help our young people grow up safe, healthy and prepared to be engaged citizens of Michigan for many years to come."

In her new role, Chapin will be responsible for directing education efforts in several MSUE focus areas, including youth development, parent/caregiver education, workforce preparedness and life skill development.

"Julie's experience and expertise will serve all Michigan's citizens very well," said Tom Coon, MSUE director. "It is essential to have someone of Julie's caliber to provide the leadership and vision necessary to successfully launch the new children and youth institute."

Most recently, Chapin served as senior program leader with MSUE's Children, Youth, Families and Communities. She also served as the state coordinator for Michigan 4-H Youth Development.

Chapin began her career as a 4-H Extension youth agent to Michigan State University (MSU) in 1981. Since that time, she has worked closely with extension in a

variety of roles.

Additionally, Chapin has received nearly \$12 million in grants for MSUE programs, including a \$3.84 million grant for the 4-H Mentor Michigan Initiative and a \$1.5 million grant for Explore, Experience, Achieve through 4-H Mentoring.

Recognized numerous times for her work, Chapin has been the recipient of the Michigan State University Extension Meritorious Service Award (2006); the Michigan State University Distinguished Academic Staff Award (2007); and the National Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of Extension 4-H Youth Staff (1991).

She has served on the Governor's State Advisory Committee on Agricultural Education and as a consultant for the Michigan Statewide Systemic Initiative for Math and Science Education for the Michigan Department of Education. She has been a speaker at numerous conferences and has presented many workshops on such topics as volunteerism, risk management and how to work with community partners.

Chapin earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the Michigan State University (MSU) College of Agriculture. She earned a master's degree in extension education and a doctoral degree in education administration, both from MSU.



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# Northern Initiatives gets boost to develop and grow rural entrepreneurs

Northern Initiatives, a Marquette, Mich. based non-profit community development financial institution, received a grant award from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation that will help to further its work to identify and support the growth of entrepreneurs in northern rural Michigan. The grant will provide Northern Initiatives with loan fund capital and operating support to grow its lending and technical assistance work over three years.

Northern Initiatives (NI) offers loans and technical assistance to small businesses in 44 rural Michigan counties in the northern Lower Peninsula and the Upper Peninsula, including Alcona and surrounding counties.

Started in 1985 and expanding to the Lower Peninsula in 2005, NI has extended small business loans totaling more than \$29 million with 30 percent of its loans to start up businesses. The loans that Northern Initiatives makes are ones that fill the gaps between what community banks can do and what many small businesses need. Northern Initiatives compliments community banks by doing higher risk start up loans and partnering with community banks by

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"We intend to use this award to match other financial support in order to significantly grow our lending program," said Kathy Leone, vice president for loan operations.

In the second quarter of 2010, Northern Initiatives will unveil an electronic loan

application that will provide entrepreneurs with a streamlined method of application via the Internet for a small business loan. The applicant will receive a response from a loan officer within 48 hours. This Web-based application will help Northern Initiatives to effectively reach more small businesses in rural Michigan

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Northern Initiatives is an affiliate of Northern Michigan University and Shore-Bank.

For more information about NI products and services call Lori Meeder at (906) 250-8861 or visit the Web site at [www.niupnorth.org](http://www.niupnorth.org).

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Harrisville Harbor. There will be children's activities, goodies, tea, lemonade, magicians, face painting, story teller and it is free. There will also be art demos by area artists and exhibited art that can be purchased.


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## DNRE's "Cougar Team" investigates sightings

Few issues addressed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) in recent years have been as controversial as cougars.

Also known as mountain lions or pumas, cougars are large felines that once roamed much of Michigan. The last record of a wild cougar being taken in Michigan came from Newberry in 1906. The species was thought to be extirpated.

Reports of cougar sightings have occurred intermittently since then, however, and have multiplied in recent years. The department has set up a four-person team to investigate and respond to reported cougar sightings.

The four DNRE biologists traveled to New Mexico to train with experts on cougar behavior and identifying cougar sign. Adam Bump, the furbearer specialist with the DNRE in Lansing, Mich. and a member of the team, spent

time with cougar experts who tracked, treed and radio-collared an animal in New Mexico. He and the others learned to identify tracks, scats and kills made by cougars.

With reports of cougars in Michigan becoming more commonplace, the "Cougar Team" has looked at numerous photographs, video clips and tracks submitted by the public. "Our goal is to verify sightings," Bump said. "We want to make sure that what people think are cougars actually are cougars. We want to know where cougars exist in the state and we have the knowledge and training to determine whether tracks or other signs were made by cougars or something else."

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member, said he saw tracks that he thought were consistent with a mountain lion in September of 2008 in Marquette County.

"A gentleman came in with some pictures of tracks from northern Marquette County and when I saw them, I thought they definitely warranted further investigation," Roell said. "I went out and looked at a set of tracks that covered about a half mile of Lake Superior shoreline. We made plaster casts -- it was moist sand; you couldn't ask for a better tracking surface -- and after showing them to the Cougar Team, we thought they were consistent with a mountain lion."

The Lake Superior tracks were the third set of tracks in the U.P. in 2008 that appeared to have been made by cougars. In March, DNRE personnel identified a set of tracks as probably made by a cougar in Delta County. Then in June, a U.S. Forest Service biologist found a set of tracks in Delta County, 37 miles away from the March tracks.

In 2009, two more sets of tracks that were likely made by cougars were found in the U.P., in October in Chippewa County and in November in Schoolcraft County. But the best evidence of cougars in Michigan to date came from an October photograph taken by a trail camera set out by a food plot by deer hunters in Chippewa County.

The DNRE sent a team to the location to examine the evidence. "We saw nothing in the photograph to lead us to believe it was not taken there," said Biologist Kristie Sitar, a member of the team who works in the eastern U.P. "It was a cougar."

Despite the occasional presence of cougars in Michigan, there is no evidence that the animals are numerous, widespread or breeding.

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DNRE furbearer specialist Adam Bump shows off a cougar pelt (above) that measures 57 inches in length, not including the tail. (Below) he displays a skull from an adult cougar. Photos by David Kenyon, Michigan DNRE.

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DNRE biologists believe cougars are occasional visitors to Michigan, but there's no evidence they are permanent residents.

"We do have some individuals that seem to be filtering into the state, probably from the Dakotas, probably young males," Roell said. "These animals are moving east. We're getting reports of cougars from Iowa and Minnesota and these animals are definitely capable of long-distance movement."

woman and confirmed the animal was not a cougar, she insisted she wasn't going to let her kids play out there.

The DNRE asks people who see cougars to report them, either online or by phone to a DNRE office, as quickly as possible. Try to preserve any physical evidence - such as a track or scat - by covering it with a bucket or something that will not disturb the sign. Physical evidence is essential. Photos of tracks or animals

are very helpful.

There's no doubt that cougars are occasional visitors to Michigan. How many of them there are and how often they're here are questions the Cougar Team wants to answer.

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



DNRE wildlife biologist Steve Chadwick shows how he uses a plywood cutout of a cougar to recreate photos and compare them with photos other have taken of suspected cougars.

Despite reported sightings, the DNRE has never verified the body of a road-killed animal, which is a fairly common occurrence in states with established cougar populations. Nor has the department ever verified a report from hunters with hounds treeing a live cougar.

Still reports come in, almost daily, Bump said. The DNRE continues to monitor these reports, attempting to verify them, spending a considerable amount of time following up on reports that include physical evidence.

One recent cougar report from Oceana County included a photograph that showed a feline near a chain link fence. From the animal's size -- as well as its appearance -- biologists identified it as a house cat.

Still, two DNRE staffers went to the scene to investigate. "The foot prints measured only about an inch across," Bump said. "The average adult cougar's paw print is three and a half to four inches across. The animal's stride was about nine inches. It was a house cat."

Steve Chadwick, a DNRE biologist in southwest Michigan and a member of the cougar team, has a plywood cutout of a cougar. He often takes it to the location where someone has taken a photograph of a suspected cougar, puts out the cutout, takes a series of photos from the same vantage point, then compares the images.

"It works pretty well," Chadwick said. "Usually what happens is they say, 'Wow, I guess that's not a cougar.'"

But not always; Chadwick said that after he went through the process with one

## Con artists using new tricks

The Michigan State Police, (MSP) Alpena post reminds residents that scams can take many different forms, but if the offer seems too good to be true, it probably is.

Most scams involve obtaining a victim's personal information under false pretenses or asking the victim to send them money. The culprit in these scams will often use legitimate companies such as Western Union, UPS or Federal Express (without their knowledge) to facilitate the transaction. The scammer usually portrays a sense of urgency, pretending to be an official of a legitimate organization to fool a victim into providing personal information.

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- Utilizing Web sites such as eBay and Craig's List (without the knowledge of the Web site owner) to falsely advertise an item for sale or to fraudulently purchase items you might have for sale on those Web sites.

- Calling the elderly and telling them that their child or grandchild is currently in a foreign country, and needs money to get back to the United States. The scammer usually uses the excuse that they are calling to request the money because the family

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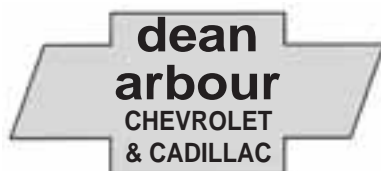
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# Calendar of Events

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 ried Retirees will meet at 11:30 a.m. at the Alpena Holiday Inn. Spouses and guests are welcome. Guest speaker will be Dr. Allan Rinke, a local ophthalmologist. Salaried retirees from all GM divisions are welcome. 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, APRIL 1**  
 Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) invites all mothers of children ages newborn through five years to a morn-

ing of fun, food and crafts from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Oscoda Baptist Church, 5589 US-23. Childcare is free, a \$3 donation is appreciated, but not required. For more information, call (989) 739-5441.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 2**  
 New Life Lutheran Church, 25 Kirche In The Woods Road, Spruce will host the Tre Ore (three hour) Rural Alpena/Alcona Churches' Good Friday Service from noon to 3 p.m. The service will be broken into 20 minute sections with many area churches, pastors and choirs partici-

pating.

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, APRIL 3**  
 New Life Lutheran Church, 25 Kirche In The Woods Road, Spruce will host an Easter egg hunt beginning at 10 a.m. Kids will decorate their bags, color an egg or two, enjoy snacks and meet the Easter

Bunny. The eggs will be filled with surprises. Hunting times are: ages up to five, 11 a.m.; ages 6-10, 11:15 a.m.; ages 11 and up, 11:30 a.m. Prizes will be awarded in each age group. Free admission.

There will be a children's Easter party at the Barton City F.O.E. 4141, 671 Sanborn Road for children 12 and younger. Activities include coloring eggs and meeting the Easter Bunny. There will also be prizes, treats, dessert and juice. Doors open at noon, party begins at 1 p.m.

**MONDAY, APRIL 5**  
 The Weight Loss Support Group will meet at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln United Methodist Church. Visitors are welcome and there is no membership fee. For more information, call (989) 736-8645 or (989) 736-8338.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 6**  
 The Lincoln Depot Group will meet at the depot at 1 p.m. Summer event planning, promotion and maintenance will be on the agenda. Anyone interested is invited to come. Refreshments served. For more information, call (989) 727-4080 or visit [AlconaHistoricalSociety.com](http://AlconaHistoricalSociety.com).

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7**  
 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.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 10**  
 There will be a '50s themed sock hop night of dancing for VitalCare Hospice of the Sunrise Side at the Cedar Grove Bar & Grill in Hubbard Lake from 8 p.m. until midnight with dancing contests, 50/50 drawings, door prizes and costume contest. Come dressed in your best '50s attire. Dancers call to register at the Cedar Grove (989) 727-9183 or Hospice office at (989) 358-1156. All proceeds benefit Hospice.

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

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Every one is invited to play bunto, an easy to learn game, at the Lincoln Senior Center at 2:30 p.m. First-timers are always welcome. Questions, call (989) 739-7029.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14**  
 VitalCare Hospice of the Sunrise Shore will have a grief support group meeting from 6 to 7 p.m. at 109 N. Second Ave., Suite 201 in Alpena. This is an educational, confidential, non-denominational, free of charge, peer-support group where you will learn about the grief process and healthy coping skills. Everyone welcome.

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

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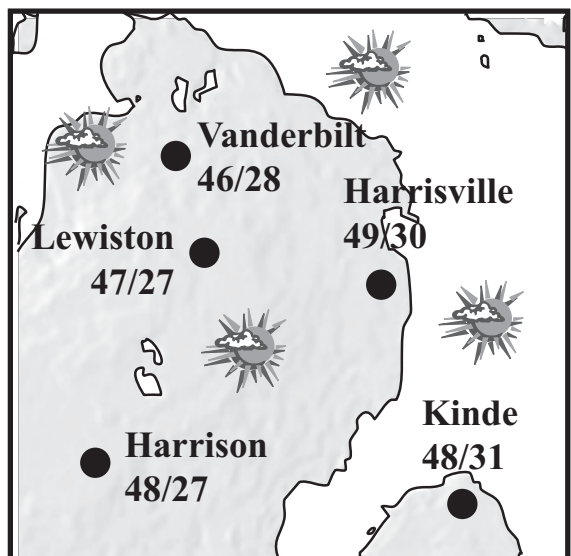
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**Seven Day Forecast**

	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 49 Low: 30
	<b>THURSDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 41 Low: 19
	<b>FRIDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 34 Low: 23
	<b>SATURDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 47 Low: 35
	<b>SUNDAY</b> Partly Cloudy High: 46 Low: 28
	<b>MONDAY</b> Partly Cloudy High: 39 Low: 27
	<b>TUESDAY</b> Partly Cloudy High: 38 Low: 24

**Today's Regional Map**



**In-Depth Local Forecast**



Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 49°, humidity of 48% and an overnight low of 30°. The record high temperature for today is 66° set in 1963. The record low is -4° set in 1965. Thursday, skies will remain mostly sunny with a high temperature of 41°, humidity of 51% and an overnight low of 19°.

**\*Last Week's Almanac**

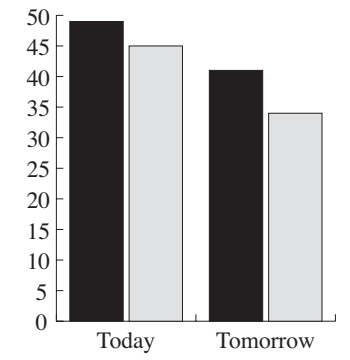
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Friday	53	27	38/20	0.00"
Saturday	38	26	39/20	0.00"
Sunday	43	17	39/21	0.00"

\*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

**Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week**


	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
Full 3/29	Wednesday	7:29 a.m.	7:51 p.m.	1:21 p.m.	4:09 a.m.	 New 4/14
	Thursday	7:27 a.m.	7:52 p.m.	2:38 p.m.	4:48 a.m.	
	Friday	7:25 a.m.	7:53 p.m.	3:58 p.m.	5:21 a.m.	
	Saturday	7:23 a.m.	7:55 p.m.	5:18 p.m.	5:49 a.m.	
	Sunday	7:21 a.m.	7:56 p.m.	6:37 p.m.	6:15 a.m.	
Last 4/6	Monday	7:19 a.m.	7:57 p.m.	7:56 p.m.	6:40 a.m.	 First 4/21
	Tuesday	7:17 a.m.	7:58 p.m.	9:14 p.m.	7:06 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 mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with a few showers today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 67° in Salisbury, Md. The Southeast will see mostly clear skies today and Thursday, isolated showers and thunderstorms Friday, with the highest temperature of 81° in Ft. Myers, Fla. The Northwest will see partly cloudy skies today, partly cloudy to cloudy skies with isolated rain Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 68° in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 86° in Thermal, Calif.

**Weather History**

**March 24, 1989** - Low pressure off the coast of Virginia brought heavy rain to the mid-Atlantic Coast states and heavy snow to the northern Appalachians. Cape Hatteras, N.C. was soaked with 5.2 inches of rain in 24 hours, and snowfall totals in Vermont ranged up to 12 inches.


**Weather Trivia**

What was the costliest hailstorm in the United States?

**Answer:** In July 1990, Denver had damages totaling \$625 million.

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**StarWatch By Gary Becker - Smiley Moon**



A few weeks ago, I received an e-mail from Nancy Seavey of Summerfield, Florida. She was curious about the moon she had seen on February 17, 2010 and wrote, "I saw the moon like a smiley face which I had never seen before." I remembered about the same time, looking out the front window of my house and catching what I mused might have been seen as a laughing moon low in the west. I read Seavey's e-mail on February 19 and could not help recognizing our similar experiences. Late winter and spring are definitely the times of smiley moons, that is, the waxing (growing) crescent moon seen in the west after sundown. The word "crescent" means horned, and when the moon's horns are pointed away from the horizon, our nearest neighbor in space can look like it is smiling. The geometry that creates a smiley moon occurs when the plane of the Earth's orbit, called the ecliptic, intersects the horizon at a steep angle. Right now, that slant is over 70 degrees. The moon also orbits the Earth at an inclination of five degrees. Since the moon gets its light from the sun, the moon's sunlit portion will always point to the location of the sun below the horizon. If the moon is north of the ecliptic, its sunlit side can reach a maximum angle of 78 degrees to the horizon from where I live in southeastern PA. That's only 12 degrees from the vertical. The moon will look like a bowl with its rounded base pointed towards the horizon, essentially in a smiling position. The Cheshire moon is happening right now after sundown. By the morning of March 23, the moon will be at first quarter, half on and half off, like a pumpkin smile. After the 23rd the moon keeps waxing into a gibbous phase with more than half of its Earth-facing surface illuminated by the sun. The evening smiley moon will be gone until April 15, when Luna returns to our view low in the west immediately after sundown. [www.astronomy.org](http://www.astronomy.org)



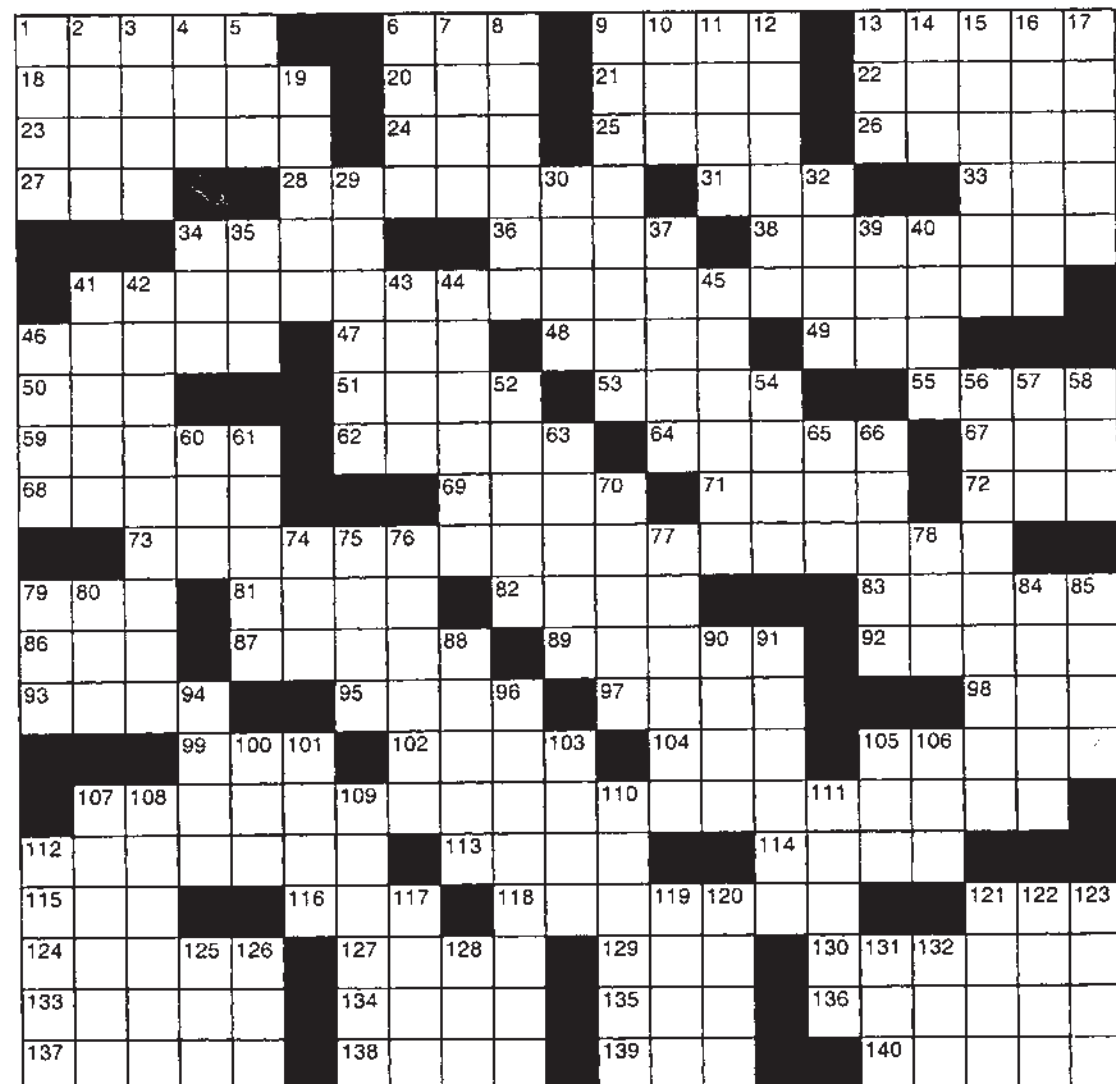
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- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** By what other name do most people know Esther Pauline Friedman?
- GEOGRAPHY:** What South American country lies between Colombia and Peru?
- FOOD & DRINK:** What are the two ingredients in a Black Russian cocktail?
- LANGUAGE:** What does the Greek suffix "gamy" mean in English?
- MUSIC:** What does the musical direction "estinto" mean?
- HISTORY:** In what year did test pilot Chuck Yeager break the sound barrier?
- TELEVISION:** What is the name of the dog on "Family Guy" animated series?
- AD SLOGANS:** "The dogs kids love to bite" were made by which company?
- SCIENCE:** What would an entomologist study?
- MOVIES:** What brother and sister had acting roles in "Sixteen Candles"?

Answers: 1. Ann Landers, her pseudonym; 2. Ecuador; 3. Vodka and Kahlua; 4. Marriage; 5. Play as soft as possible; 6. 1947; 7. Brian; 8. Armour; 9. Insects; 10. John and Joan Cusack. (c) 2010 King Features Synd., Inc.

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**MOMENTS IN TIME**  
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• On April 7, 1776, Navy Capt. John Barry, commander of the American warship Lexington, makes the first American naval capture of a British vessel when he takes command of the warship HMS Edward after a desperate battle off the coast of Virginia.

• On April 9, 1865, at Appomattox, Va., Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee surrenders his 28,000 troops to Union Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, effectively ending the Civil War. Forced to abandon the Confederate capital of Richmond, Lee had no other option.

• On April 10, 1906, O. Henry's second short-story collection, "The Four Million," is published. O. Henry was the pen name adopted by William Sydney Porter. Porter began writing in the late 1880s but did not seriously apply himself until 1898, when he was jailed for embezzling from a bank in Austin, Texas.

• On April 8, 1935, Congress votes to approve the jobs-creating project Works Progress Administration, a central part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's "New Deal." The careers of several important American artists, including Jackson Pollack and Willem de Kooning, were launched thanks to WPA endowments.

• On April 11, 1961, Bob Dylan plays his first major gig in New York City, opening for bluesman John Lee Hooker at Gerde's Folk City. With his guitar and harmonica, Dylan was a unique stage presence with a vast library of American folk songs in his repertoire.

• On April 6, 1970, Sam Sheppard, a doctor convicted after a sensational trial of murdering his pregnant wife in 1954, dies of liver failure. After a decade in an Ohio prison, Sheppard was released and later acquitted following a re-trial. He briefly returned to medicine and later embarked on a short stint as a pro wrestler called "The Killer." His story is rumored to have loosely inspired "The Fugitive" television series and movie.

• On April 5, 1984, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar scores the 31,420th point of his career, breaking the NBA's all-time scoring record, which had been held by Wilt Chamberlain. The 7-foot-2 Abdul-Jabbar was born Ferdinand Lewis Alcindor Jr. in 1947 in New York City, and changed his name in 1971 after converting to Islam.

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

• It was Benjamin Disraeli, 19th-century British Prime Minister and the first Earl of Beaconsfield, who made the following sage observation: "The most dangerous strategy is to jump a chasm in two leaps."

• You've probably never heard of Hurley, Wisc., but if you lived in the area, you'd know that the town is home to a 15-foot-tall corkscrew. It can be found, appropriately enough, outside Corkscrew Liquors.

• Except for the queens, all wasps die in the autumn.

• The Japanese ruling family is the oldest continuing hereditary monarchy in the world. The current emperor, Akihito, is the 125th holder of the title. Interestingly, he's also a marine biologist and has published papers on ichthyology in both English and Japanese scholarly journals.

• For reasons that aren't quite clear, in Sweden, it's illegal to train a seal to balance a ball on the tip of its nose.

• It was March 15, 1952, when the largest amount of rainfall in a single 24-hour period was recorded. It was the island of Reunion, in the Indian Ocean, that had the misfortune to receive a whopping 73.62 inches of rain on that Ides of March. That's more than 6 feet of rain in a single day!

• Feel like you have a lot more stuff than you used to? You're not imagining things — and you're not the only one. According to the Self-Storage Association, the number of businesses offering on-premises storage of all those things you can't find room for at home has increased nearly 10 times since 1964.

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**Weekly SUDOKU**

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### GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP MINUTES

Greenbush Township Supervisor Ed Roddy called the budget hearing meeting to order on Tuesday, March 2 at 6:35 p.m. with four guests present. Mr. Roddy asked the board and the audience if they had any questions pertaining to the budget and there were none. Supervisor Roddy adjourned the meeting until the regular board meeting at 7 p.m.

Greenbush Township Supervisor Ed Roddy called the regular board meeting to order on Tuesday, March 2 at 7 p.m., at the township hall. Six guests were present who joined in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call was taken. Present: Supervisor Ed Roddy; clerk Art Winter, treasurer Tracie Beatty; trustee Sally Olin and trustee Gary Abraham. Motion Olin/Beatty: To approve agenda as written. Carried. Motion Olin/Beatty: To accept the February minutes as written. Motion carried.

At this time in the meeting Supervisor Roddy recognized Sheriff Doug Atchison and welcomed him to our meeting. Sheriff Atchison addressed the board with a short message. Motion Olin/Abraham: To approve the financial report and place on file for audit. Motion carried. Motion Olin/Beatty: To pay January bills as presented - check numbers 13,613-13,640 - grand total: \$28,461.81; \$15,764.45 being fire department; remaining \$12,697.36 being general fund. Some discussion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Carried.

Miscellaneous reports: Carolyn Brummund, county commissioner, present at our meeting,

brought the board up to speed on what is happening at the county level. Basically all is quiet at the county level with the annual budget taking most of the time at this point. Some discussion. Fire chief Franks reported three fire calls and 10 first responder calls for the month of February. Chief Franks is looking into purchasing a new unit to refill the air bottles that are being used at fire scenes. He is getting bids and will return back to the board. Some discussion.

Pete Langlois, zoning administrator, absent, but Supervisor Roddy gave a brief report. Some discussion. Hall rentals - Supervisor Roddy stated one at this time - have had a few inquiries, but are all to governmental units. Assessor Schwickert not present at this meeting. Supervisor Roddy had various correspondences that he shared with the board. Clerk Winter had various correspondences that he shared with the board. Some discussion.

Art Winter Supervisor Roddy stated he had talked to Mr. Young, manager of the road commission, stating that the signs in the township should be replaced. Approximately 50 signs at \$30 per sign. Winter/Olin: To order new signs for the township. Roll call vote: All ayes.

Much discussion. Motion Winter/Olin: To sign ordinance number 2010.01 with Consumers Energy Electric Franchise. Roll call vote: All ayes.

Clerk Winter read a letter from IRS that stated Greenbush Township is in arrears pertaining to taxes. He will follow up on this and report back to the board. It has something to do with what is paid into the pension. Some discussion. Clerk Winter read a letter from the State of Michigan for elections to be used to replace a poll book. Some discussion. Motion Beatty/Olin: To support the Huron Pines Conservation District's efforts. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion Winter/Olin: Millage of ¼ mil for fire and one mil for roads for a period of fur years. Roll call vote: All ayes.

Public comments: Questions and discussion pertaining to the Web site and how the minutes are not being published. Clerk will follow up and return to the board with answers. Motion to adjourn at 7:38 p.m.

Art Winter Greenbush Township Clerk Note: Published prior to board approval. Next regular township meeting is Tuesday, April 6 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Next regular scheduled planning commission meeting is Thursday, May 6 at 7 p.m. at the township hall.

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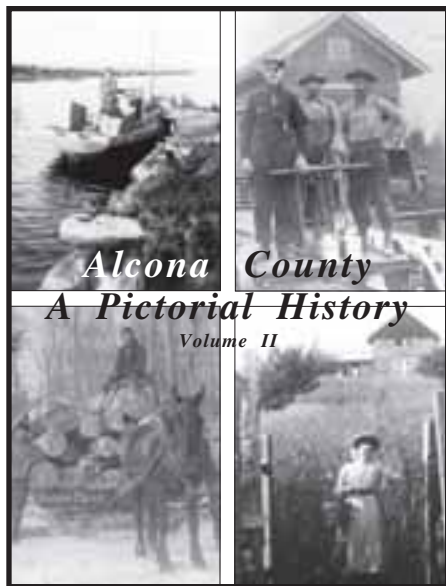
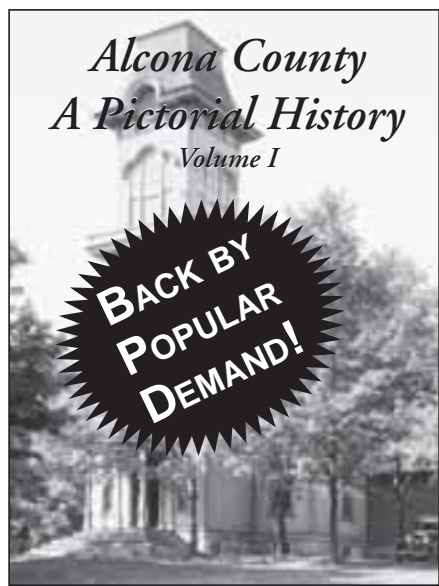
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There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty-three thousand three hundred eighteen and 74/100 dollars (\$43,318.74) including interest at 11.375 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville in Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on April 7, 2010.

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Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007 by Mark A. Petterson and Karen E. Petterson, husband and wife, of 6321 Peach Drive, Clarkston, MI 48346, as mortgagors to Huron Lending Services, L.L.C., mortgagee, of 301 Newman Street, P.O. Box 312, East Tawas, MI 48730. Said Mortgage was assigned by Huron Lending Service to Huron Community Bank through assignment dated March 11, 2010. Said mortgage given by the mortgagor and recorded on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March 2007 in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, Michigan in Liber 440, pages 1-20 inclusive and on which mortgage there is a claim to be due and owing on the date of this notice the sum of sixty-nine thousand three hundred sixty-two and 60/100 (\$69,362.68) plus interest, costs and attorney fees incurred from March 11, 2011 as provided by said mortgage note. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises or some part of them at a public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Courthouse in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. on May 5, 2010.  
Said premises is situated in the township of Alcona, county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Parcel C-Part of the north ½ of the southeast ¼ of Section 19, T28N, R9E, described as: Commencing at the east ¼ corner of Section 19, thence south 8 degrees 39 minutes 47 seconds west along the east-west ¼ line, 1,666.64 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 00 degrees 44 minutes 14 seconds west, 1,314.66 feet; thence south 89 degrees 38 minutes 29 seconds west along the south line of the north ½ of the southeast ¼, 330.33 feet; thence north 00 degrees 36 minutes 23 seconds east, 1,314.73 feet; thence north 89 degrees 39 minutes 47 seconds east along said east-west ¼ line, 333.33 feet to the point of beginning. According to survey recorded in Liber 342, pages 1,478-1,480, Alcona County records.  
And Parcel 11: Commencing at the south

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There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-two thousand six hundred forty-five and 48/100 dollars (\$52,645.48) including interest at 8.5 percent per annum.  
Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Georgia L. Fry, unmarried, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., mortgagee, dated March 26, 2008 and recorded April 3, 2008 in Liber 451, page 273, Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance LLC by assignment.  
There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy-four thousand three hundred twenty and 19/100 dollars (\$74,320.19) 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,

Home Loans Servicing LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred twenty-five thousand nine hundred five dollars and eighty-two cents (\$125,905.82) including interest 6.125 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, Circuit Court of Alcona County at 10 a.m. on April 7, 2010.  
Said premises are situated in township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 23, Sunset Shores Subdivision, Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page

Servicing, L.P. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-two thousand six hundred eighty-three and 61/100 dollars (\$52,683.61), including interest at 6.375 percent per annum.  
Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be 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 April 7, 2010.  
Said premises are situated in township of Hawes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: Township 27 North, Range 8 East, Hawes Township east part, Alcona County, Michigan, Section 24: Commencing at the northeast corner of the southeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4, thence south 210 feet to the

given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville in Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on April 7, 2010.  
Said premises are located in the township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the west 1/4 corner of Section 3, Township 25 North, Range 9 East; thence north 00 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds west along the west line of said Section, 380.17 feet thence north 89 degrees 50 minutes 03 seconds east, 572.89 feet; thence south 00 degrees 05 minutes 25 seconds east, 380.17 feet; thence south 89 degrees 50 minutes 04 seconds west along the east-west 1/4 line of said section and centerline of county road F-30 so-called, 573.15 feet to the point of beginning. The above

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 west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville in Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on April 21, 2010.  
Said premises are located in the township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of Lot 29 of Scott's Subdivision, Alcona Township, Alcona County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 81, Alcona County records, described as: Commencing at the northeast corner of Lot 29; thence west 100 feet; thence south 150 feet; thence east 100 feet; thence north 150 feet to the point of beginning.  
The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, un-

less determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.  
Dated: March 10, 2010  
BAC Home Loans Servicing LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, Assignee of Mortgagee  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd. Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
File No. 10-21834  
3-10, 3-17, 3-24, 3-31

point of beginning; thence south 215 feet, thence west 600 feet; thence north 425 feet; thence east 357 feet; thence south 105 feet; thence east 33 feet; thence south 105 feet; thence east 210 feet to the point of beginning.  
The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.  
Dated: March 10, 2010.  
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan  
48334-2525  
File No. 309648F01  
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described parcel being a part of the southwest 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of said Section 3. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.  
To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.  
Dated: March 10, 2010  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
248-502-1400  
File No. 200.5944  
ASAP No. 3470248  
3-10, 3-17, 3-24, 3-31

less determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.  
Dated: March 24, 2010  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 502-1400  
File No. 310.7652  
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## LEGAL NOTICES

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In the event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by Sunrise Lodge No. 2529, Loyal Order of Moose as mortgagor, to Northland Area Federal Credit Union as mortgagee, which mortgage is dated August 9, 2004, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, Michigan, on August 19, 2004, in Liber 405 on pages 748-754, and upon which mortgage is claimed to be due on the date of this notice the sum of \$246,055.18, and no suit or proceedings at law or equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

now, therefore, by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, May 5, 2010, at 10 a.m., on the front steps of the Alcona County Courthouse, 106 5th Street in the City of Harrisville, county of Alcona, that being the place for holding Circuit Court for the county of Alcona where the premises are situated, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for the purpose of satisfying the amount due and unpaid upon said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 6.50 percent per annum, together with legal costs, charges and expenses of sale, including applicable attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee on or before the date of said sale which may be necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

The land and premises in said mortgage, being situated in the township of Greenbush, county of Alcona, state of

Michigan, and described as follows:

Parcel A: Commencing at the northwest corner of Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 9 East; thence south 01 degree 16 minutes 00 seconds east along the west line of said Section 2, 759.54 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 19 degrees 36 minutes 19 seconds east along the centerline of Cedar Lake Road so-called, 534.32 feet; thence south 87 degrees 58 minutes 45 seconds west along the south line of Government Lot 1 as monumented, 168.13 feet; thence north 01 degree 16 minutes 00 seconds west along said west section line, 509.40 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel being part of Government Lot 1 of said Section 2.

Parcel B: Commencing at the northwest corner of Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 9 East; thence south 01 degree 16 minutes 00 seconds east along the west line of said Section 2, 354.57 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 71 degrees 3 minutes 07 seconds east along the centerline of Cedar Lake Road so-called, 174.78 feet; thence south 10 degrees 32 minutes 08 seconds east along the westerly right of way line for Michigan State Highway US-23, 96.06 feet; thence continuing along said right of way line, 792.21 feet along a 5804.65 foot radius curve concave northeasterly with a central angle of 07 degrees 49 minutes 11 seconds and a chord bearing and distance of south 14 degrees 26 minutes 43 seconds east, 791.60 feet; thence south 87 degrees 51 minutes 58 seconds west 226.26 feet; thence north 19 degrees 36 minutes 19 seconds west along said centerline of Cedar Lake Road, 434.39 feet; thence north 01 degree 16 minutes 00 seconds west along said west section line, 404.97 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel being part of Government Lot 1 and said Section 2.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale.  
 Dated: March 9, 2010  
 Paul E. Wenzloff (P27662)  
 Attorney for Mortgagee  
 903 N. Jackson Street  
 Bay City, MI 48708  
 (989) 893-9511  
 3-24, 3-31, 4-7, 4-14

### Notice pursuant to MCL 600.3205a(4)

Notice is hereby provided to Kenneth Boisvert and Veronica J. Boisvert, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter borrower) regarding the property located at: 2021 Bobick Trail, Lincoln, MI 48742. The borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the mortgage servicer and/or mortgage holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1309

The borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development 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 borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from March 19, 2010, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after March 19, 2010. If the borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

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

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 Date: March 24, 2010

For more information, please call: (248) 593-1309  
 Trott & Trott, P.C.  
 Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder  
 31440 Northwestern Highway,  
 Suite 200  
 Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525  
 File No. 316384F01

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. is attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at (248) 539-7400 if you are in active military duty.

Initial foreclosure notice as required by Michigan Public Act 30 of 2009.

Notice is hereby provided to Heather Jean Dunn Phinney and Michael D. Phinney, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter borrower) regarding the property known as 99 Dunn Trail, Harrisville, MI 48740 that the mortgage is in default. The borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer through its designated agent, Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. (designated agent), 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48335, 248-539-7400 (tel), 248-539-7401 (Fax), e-mail: [designatedagent@sspclegal.com](mailto:designatedagent@sspclegal.com).

Heather Jean Dunn Phinney and Michael D. Phinney also has/have the right to contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) at its Web site [www.michigan.gov/mshda](http://www.michigan.gov/mshda) or by calling MSHDA at (866) 946-7432 (tel).

If borrower(s) requests a meeting, no foreclosure proceeding will be commenced until the expiration of 90 days from the date notice was mailed to the borrower(s) pursuant to Section 3205(a) of HB 4454, Public Act 30 of 2009. If designated agent and borrower(s) agree to modify the mortgage, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the borrower(s) abide by the terms of the modified mortgage. Borrower(s) have the right to contact an attorney or the State Bar of Michigan Lawyer Referral Service at (800) 968-0738 (tel).

Publish date: March 24, 2010  
 Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.  
 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300  
 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48335

# State veterinarian urges pet, livestock owners to vaccinate against rabies

The Michigan Department of Agriculture's (MDA) State Veterinarian Dr. Steven Halstead urges Michigan citizens to be proactive and have their pets and livestock vaccinated against rabies and other diseases after confirmation that a horse in Lapeer County tested positive for rabies.

"It is essential pet and livestock owners take steps to vaccinate against rabies and other diseases because of the possibility human exposure to the disease from interaction with infected horses, cattle, dogs, and cats," Halstead said. "By working with their veterinarian, owners can take significant steps toward providing a safe and healthy environment for their families and animals."

A quarantine was issued on the Lapeer County horse farm and will be monitored by county animal control officers. Feral cats and any pet cat on the premises showing clinical signs consistent with rabies or with a history of biting someone within the previous 10 days will be tested. Six people, including the owner, trainer, and veterinarian, that may have been exposed to the rabid horse are receiving a series of preventative rabies shots. No other humans or animals are known to have been exposed.

This is the third case of rabies in Michigan thus far in 2010 - a skunk was found to be rabid in St. Clair County and a bat was found to be rabid in Kent County.

A standard vaccination program for pets and livestock includes vaccinations required by law, along with vaccinations for diseases commonly found throughout the state. Licensed vaccines are also available for horses, cows, sheep and goats.

"It is important to make sure animals attending fairs or exhibitions, field trials or shows receive additional vac-

inations to protect against diseases they may be exposed to in group housing or stressful situations. Owners should consult their private veterinarian to develop an appropriate vaccination program specific for their animals," Halstead said.

State law requires ferrets and dogs be vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian. It is also important to make sure that cats kept indoors also be vaccinated as bats frequently get into homes exposing the cats.

Dr. Halstead also recommends the following vaccinations:

- All horses against rabies, eastern/western equine en-

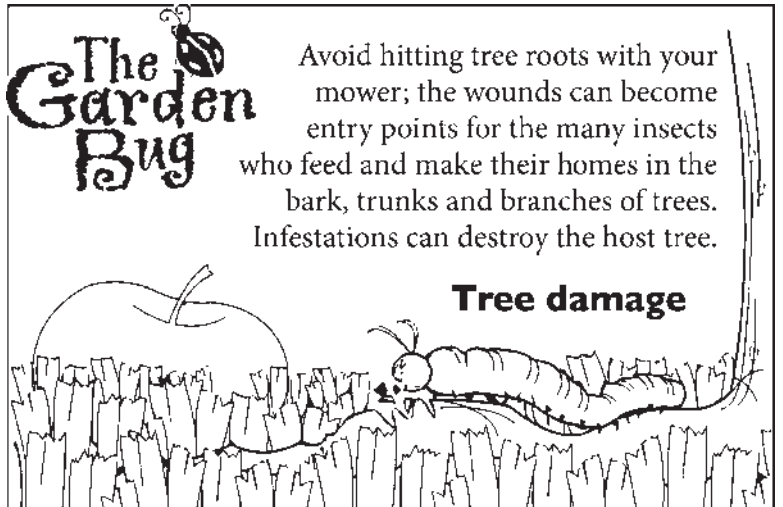
cephalitis, tetanus, and west Nile virus.

- Having dogs checked for heartworm and intestinal parasites, along with vaccinations against canine distemper, parvovirus and adenovirus.

- Having cats checked for heartworm and internal parasites and vaccinations for cats include rabies, herpes virus, calicivirus, and panleukopenia.

For more information on pet and livestock vaccination requirements, visit [www.michigan.gov/mda](http://www.michigan.gov/mda). For the latest information on rabies visit [www.michigan.gov/emergingdiseases](http://www.michigan.gov/emergingdiseases).

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**The Garden Bug**

Avoid hitting tree roots with your mower; the wounds can become entry points for the many insects who feed and make their homes in the bark, trunks and branches of trees. Infestations can destroy the host tree.

**Tree damage**

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## American Life in Poetry

By Ted Kooser

U.S. Poet Laureate, 2004-2006

This marks the fourth time we've published a poem by David Baker, one of my favorite writers. Baker lives in Granville, Ohio, and teaches at Denison University. He is also the poetry editor for the distinguished "Kenyon Review."

### Old Man Throwing a Ball

He is tight at first, stiff, stands there atilt  
 tossing the green fluff tennis ball down  
 the side alley, but soon he's limber,  
 he's letting it fly and the black lab  
 lops back each time. These are the true lovers,  
 this dog, this man, and when the dog stops  
 to pee, the old guy hurries him back, then  
 hurls the ball farther away. Now his mother  
 dodders out, she's old as the sky, wheeling  
 her green tank with its sweet vein, breath.  
 She tips down the path he's made for her,  
 grass rippling but trim, soft underfoot,  
 to survey the yard, every inch of it  
 in fine blossom, set-stone, pruned miniature,  
 split rails docked along the front walk,  
 antique watering cans down-spread—up  
 huffs the dog again with his mouthy ball—  
 so flowers seem to spill out, red geraniums,  
 grand blue asters, and something I have  
 no name for, wild elsewhere in our world  
 but here a thing to tend. To call for, and it comes.

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## Tricks

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member is unable to call due to being arrested or that they have been hurt or hospitalized.

To avoid becoming a scam victim:

- Do not give personal information or credit card information to unknown callers.

- Do not send money to the culprit (i.e. sending money by Western Union).

- Do not cash checks sent to you by the culprit, especially if they are asking you to send part of the money back to them.

- Do not respond to unsolicited e-mails from unknown senders. Confirm the identity of a contact by independently speaking with the identified source (your bank, credit card company, government agency, etcetera). Use a reliable source, such as the phone book, to confirm the contact's phone number or e-mail.