

Millage proposals on school election ballot May 3

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

Voters in the Alcona Community Schools district will face two millage proposals on the May 3 School Election ballot.

The first, Proposition 1, is a five-year renewal of the 18 mill maximum allowed by the state for general operating funds to be levied against non-homestead properties within the county. The millage renewal would continue the existing millage, which expired with the 2010 tax levy.

Taxes raised by the millage would total approximately \$5,253,623 or 65 percent of the school's \$8,125,094 operating budget, according to Alcona Community Schools Superintendent Shawn Thornton. Without the millage, the budget would be reduced to \$2,871,471, or approximately 60 days of school operation, according to district Business Manager Alan Shillair.

Additional state aid payments make up only 17 percent of the school's budget, according to a chart released by the district (see box), and cuts to that funding are expected for the coming budget year, Thornton explained. In addition, Thornton said, the state does not make up lost funding if the renewals do not pass.

Non-homestead property is any property except primary homesteads and includes summer homes, hunting camps vacation land, et cetera. Alcona County falls within the top 10 percent of non-homestead revenue in the state, according to Shillair. Individuals with a primary residence in Alcona County do not pay the 18 mill rate, although all registered voters may vote on the issue.

The second proposal, Proposition 2, would renew the existing 2.5 mill Headlee Override millage for a five-year period.

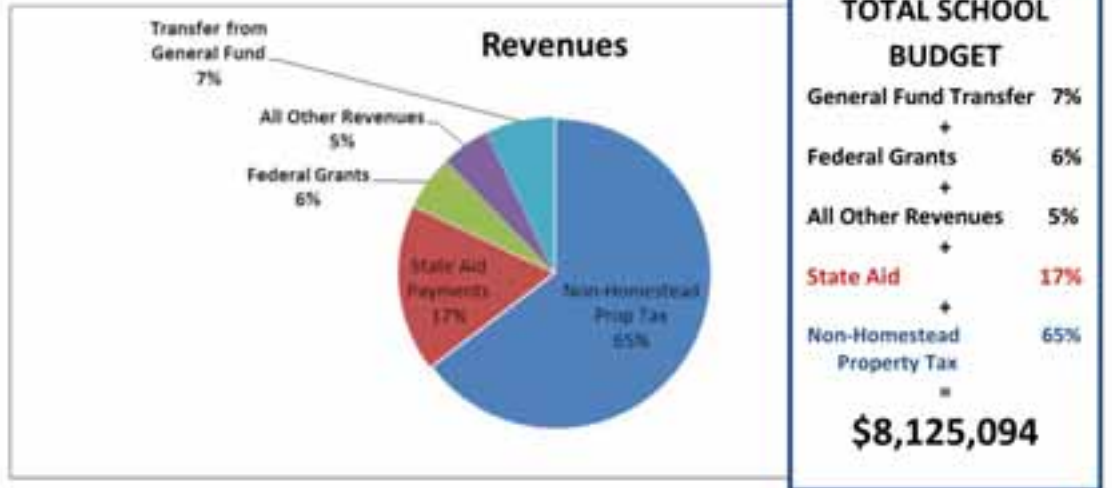
The Headlee Override millage is only collected when property values increase more than the cost of living for a given year, Shillair explained. At that time, the mills are used to bring the total operating millage back to 18 mills. The district hasn't used the existing Headlee Override millage in two or three years, Thornton said, as property values have not increased during that time.

"We are basically asking to continue doing what we're doing," Thornton explained, "This is not an increase for non-homestead property owners." The five year period for both proposals would run from 2011 through 2015.

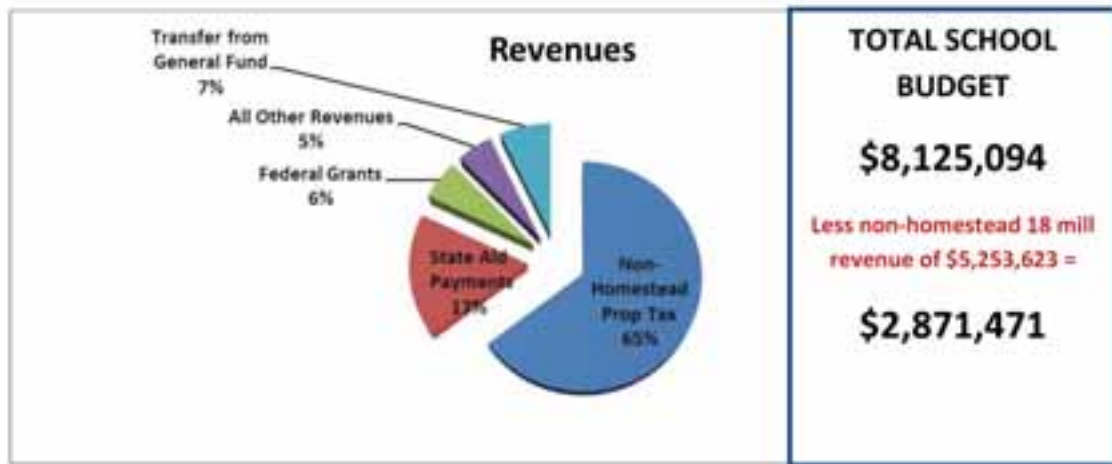
Two four-year seats on the Alcona Community Schools Board of Education will also appear on the ballot. Four candidates for the two positions, including incumbents Mark Feldheiser and Kathy Himmick and candidates Steve Yokom and Matt Mead are seeking the posts. Further information on the candidates will appear in the next edition of the Review.

Three polling places will be available on May 3. Voters in Haynes, Hawes, Millen, Gustin and Mikado townships will vote at the Gustin Township Hall (Precinct 1). Voters in Caledonia and Alcona townships will vote at the Caledonia Township Hall (Precinct 2) and voters in the City of Harrisville and Harrisville Township will vote at the Harrisville Township Hall (Precinct 3).

Total School Budget with Non-Homestead 18 Mill Renewal



Total School Budget without Non-Homestead 18 Mill Renewal



Alcona Students learn financial skills, responsibility

Students at Alcona High School met with State Representative Peter Pettalia on April 8 as part of the Michigan Credit Union League's (MCUL) Financial Literacy Legislative Challenge. This is the eighth year of the challenge, which in 2011 will connect 50 state legislators with students during April, which is celebrated as Financial Literacy Month.

score can affect your life. Rep. Pettalia discussed the importance of credit from his experience as a business owner and how state government works.

"Students need to understand how to use credit wisely, and that doing so can help them achieve their financial goals," Stoner said.

Michigan's credit unions are national leaders in youth

all-time high, we appreciate the work of our elected representatives to help pass on the critical message of personal finance to students. Credit unions are committed to encouraging financial education for their members and in their communities."

April's Financial Literacy Month includes a variety of local workshops and programs put on by financial institutions across the state. In 2011, credit unions will host or sponsor more than 75 events.

"Students need to understand how to use credit wisely, and that doing so can help them achieve their financial goals,"

~ Melissa Stoner,
AAACU Tiger Branch Supervisor

"This is a great opportunity for students to pose questions to their local leaders and to learn important financial skills," said Donald J. Mills, president and CEO of Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union (AAACU).

Melissa Stoner, AAACU Tiger branch supervisor, taught students the difference between good credit and bad credit, the importance of using credit wisely, how credit works and how a bad credit

financial education, reaching more than 48,000 students during the 2009-2010 school year and organizing more than 366 student-run credit unions across the state - both are the most in the country.

"MCUL is proud to bring lawmakers into classrooms to encourage financial education," said David Adams, president and CEO of the Michigan Credit Union League. "As personal debt and foreclosures are at an

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To find out if this male wood duck and his mate settled in an Alcona backyard see page 6. Photo by Mary Weber.

Obituaries

Walter W. Barlow

Walter W. Barlow, 97, of Barton City, died on Friday, April 15, 2011.

He was born January 9, 1914 in Harrisville to John M. and Birdie (Quance) Barlow.

He attended Mt. Joy School. He learned the trade of carpentry and worked for 15 years at various jobs.

In 1937 he married Beulah M. Perkins.

In 1952 he was hired as a carpenter, first at Buick and then at Chevrolet in Flint, Mich. He retiring from Chevrolet at age 67.

In 1988 he married Doris K. VanZee Calhoun.

Mr. Barlow loved working the land and bringing in the crops on his family's farm on North Lakeshore Drive north of Harrisville. He was especially fond of his raspberries and apple orchard. He worked the land until he was 94 years old.

Mr. Barlow is survived by two sons, Richard (Cathi) of



Harrisville and Walter W. Jr. (Gayle) of Durand, Mich.; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and four step children.

He was preceded in death by both of his wives.

There will be no memorial service and cremation has taken place. Arrangements were handled by Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln.

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Letters should be no longer than 300 words. Inappropriate content will be deleted and letters will run on a space available basis.

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Local Notes

Golf League

The Ladies League at the Greenbush Golf Course will start Wednesday, May 4. A meeting will be held at 9 a.m. with golf following. Anyone interested, call the golf course at (989) 724-6356 or (989) 739-7520.

New Arrival

Brandon DeVoe is the new son of Rachel and Anthony Seabase of Sycamore, Ill. He was born on Friday, March 18, 2011 in Sycamore, Ill. He is the new grandson of John and Judy Seabase of Harrisville.

ARA Farm Market

The ARA Farm Market will open Saturday, April 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the ARA site across from Kris Mart in Lincoln. Market goes will find breads, pizza, pies, doughnuts and other baked goods, herb plants, leaf lettuce, spinach, shallots, mesclun mix, radishes, and possibly tomato plants, jams and jellies, dried herbs, soup and salsa mixes, cornbread and pancake mixes, salt-free

seasonings, dried apples, rugs, homemade laundry soap and more.

Renewable Energy

Can solar panels be used in northeast Michigan? Are wind turbines cost effective? Answers to these questions on renewable energy sources and more will be presented by Scott Samotis, local contractor, as part of the Alcona County Library's Earth Day celebration on Thursday, April 28 from 4- 5 p.m. at the Harrisville branch. Current applications and latest technologies for solar, wind and geothermal energy for residential use will be discussed, with time set aside for questions and answers. There will be free earth-friendly gifts for the first 20 attendees. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Art Collage

Create an artistic collage suitable for framing with instruction from Alpena artist Ellen LaCross at the adult "Get Crafty" session on Monday, May 2 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch

of the Alcona County Library. All levels of artistic ability are welcome. Bring scissors and \$3 for supplies; light refreshments provided. Call (989) 724-6796 to register. This activity supported by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Kirtland Community Foundation.

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, April 25—Diced chicken and gravy over noodles, carrots, cranberry sauce and fruit.

Tuesday, April 26—Hot dog with bun, macaroni and cheese, green and wax beans, coleslaw, cake and ice cream.

• Wednesday, April 27—Taco salad with meat, beans, cheese and chips, lettuce and tomatoes, raw vegetables with dip and fruit.

• Thursday, April 28—Bourbon pork chops, sweet potatoes, peas and corn, orange pineapple salad and fruit.

• Friday, April 29—Barbecued chicken breast, baked beans, Brussels sprouts, tossed salad and fruit.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Gauthier Materials Online

After months of organizing, indexing and scanning, the local historical collection bequeathed to Alcona County Library by Doris Gauthier is now available for public perusal. The documents, along with Alcona Historical Society photos, are now available on the library website at the Harrisville branch. This collection spans the historical development of Alcona County from its beginning as part of Mackinaw County in 1835 through the development of Alcona County's system of township structure and governance. Stories of train wrecks, auto wrecks and

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

Both of the letters to the editor last week were right on target. I believe there is a saying, "Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me." That seems to fit the situation with regard to Thomas Katona.

Now, we have a library board who seems to feel it is acceptable to use the tax payer's funds to pay for an attorney for the library director in her attempt to prevent the library employees from unionizing.

As a county tax payer, I resent that tax dollars, with no cap stipulated, are being used for this purpose. Does this mean that any county employer has the right to use tax dollars to hire an attorney for his/her use?

I have never been a member of any union, unless Girl Scouts counts. However, that

does not mean I am against the employees seeking protection for their jobs. What a shame the situation has escalated to this level.

Once upon a time, the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library was a warm and welcoming place, with many activities for all ages and interests. It still is the same building, but the atmosphere is completely different. Let us hope that all can live happily ever after. Is there a fairy godmother out there?

Mary McMahon Gruba
Harrisville Township

(Editor's Note: The Alcona County Library Board hired the attorney to represent the board, which oversees the operations of the library system in Alcona County. It did not hire the attorney to represent the director.)

Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2000/2010

Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
April 10	52	36	1.70	6.0	35	SSW
April 11	57	42	0.00	3.4	32	SW
April 12	45	30	0.00	4.2	21	NNE
April 13	51	27	0.00	0.3	9	NE
April 14	46	30	0.00	8.2	26	NNE
April 15	39	32	0.00	17.6	29	ENE
April 16	47	36	0.64	10.8	34	SW

	Precipitation Summary (Inches)		
	2010 - 2011		Normal
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Water Content
Weekly Total	2.34	0.0	0.56
April to Date	2.85	1.6	1.19
Year/Season to Date	5.29	66.7	6.43

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, APRIL 20

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

There will be an American Red Cross blood drive from noon to 5:45 p.m. at the Alcona County Senior Center, 207 S. Church street, Lincoln. Visit www.RedCrossBlood.org for information on donation requirements.

Music with Roseanne Armstrong at the Greenbush Township Hall at 4 p.m.

Sewing with Jennie Anderson at the Alcona County Senior Center in Lincoln from 2 to 4 p.m.

The annual White Breakfast will be served at the Harrisville United Methodist Church at 9 a.m. Coffee, rolls and fruit cups will be served followed by music and a speaker. All are invited.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

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

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

Alcona County retirees are invited to a potluck luncheon and card games afterward at the Alcona County Senior Center in Lincoln at noon.

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

The Alcona County Senior Center in Lincoln and all county branch sites will be closed and services will be suspended for today.

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

The New Life Lutheran Church, 25 Kirche in the Woods Road, Spruce will have an Easter egg hunt beginning at 11 a.m. with crafts, games and snacks. Hunt for ages up to five begins at noon, hunt for ages six to 10 begins at 12:15 p.m. and hunt for ages 11 and up begins at 12:30 p.m. Eggs will be filled with surprises. This event is free and open to the public.

The Alcona Farmers Market will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the garage at the US-23 site.

MONDAY, APRIL 25

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

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.

Gardening questions will be answered by master gardeners from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Alcona County MSU Extension office in Harrisville on US-23.

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

A free meditation class will be offered to benefit Relay For Life from 7:30 to 8 p.m. Contact Laura at (989) 255-9833 for more information.

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

Kids age five-12 are welcome to attend the Good News Club after school at 4:30 p.m. in the Alcona Elementary School cafeteria. Parents are welcome to attend with their children. This is a free, one-hour session including Bible lessons, learning activities, stories and songs.

Music with Roseanne Armstrong at the Alcona County Senior Center in Lincoln at 4 p.m.

The Thunder Bay Island Preservation Society will meet at 7 p.m. at the Alpena Yacht Club. Meeting is open to the public.

The Harrisville Lady Lions will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the Harrisville Harbor's boaters' clubhouse. Dinner will be catered and the speaker will be Marlene Pear. RSVP to Mary Ann at (989) 724-5124 or machurch@wildblue.net. All interested ladies are invited to attend.

The Alcona Democrats will meet at the EMS building on M-72 at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

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

Sewing with Jennie Anderson at the Alcona County Senior Center in Lincoln from 2 to 4 p.m.

Kindergarten round-up for the 2011-12 school year in Alcona Community Schools will take place at the elementary school building. Parents of children who will be five by December 1 should call the school at (989) 736-8146 to schedule an appointment.

A laptop maintenance class will be offered at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 9:15 a.m.

Call (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

Music with Roseanne Armstrong at the Greenbush Township Hall at 4 p.m.

The GM Sunrise Side Salariated Retirees will meet at the Alpena Holiday Inn at 11:30 a.m. Speaker will be Wendy Servia from Lutheran Home Care. Reservations and payment in advance. Call Chuck at (989) 727-3350 or Frank at (989) 595-2789 for more information or reservations.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

Scott Samotis will share his knowledge on renewable energy at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 4 to 5 p.m. Free and open to the public.

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The Pine River VanEtten Lake Watershed Coalition will meet at the Greenbush Township Hall at 10 a.m.

St. Joseph Health System is hosting a Women's Health Initiative event from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the East Tawas Community Center. Breakfast will be served. Attendees will have the opportunity to

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Super Crossword

Answers

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PROPERTIES

Harrisville F-30 just west of Poor Farm Rd. 15 picturesque wooded acres, 495 x 1,320 with well maintained mobile home. Large 18 x 13 add on family room with gas stove. New roof in 2009. 24 x 32 pole building. 70% wooded with maintained trails, fruit trees and grapevines. Great hunting!! **\$62,900** No. 304

Connie Lee will be retiring from Huron Community Bank. Please stop in to the Harrisville Branch on April 26th or the Lincoln Branch on April 29th to wish her a happy, healthy retirement.

HCB

Benefit for Candace Fulsher

Saturday, April 30th
Mikado Civic Center • 2291 S. F-41 • Mikado
All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner from 4 to 7 p.m.
Live Auction at 7 p.m.
Silent Auction • Dessert Bake Sale • 50/50 Raffle

Candace has recently been diagnosed with breast cancer and this benefit is needed to aid in the loss of medical insurance and increased travel expenses. All donations of cash and or items are welcome. Questions or donations please call (989) 370-7121

In Memory of Our Friends

Victor J. DeMeulenaere & Allen L. Butzin
 July 2, 1940-April 21, 2006 June 16, 1937-April 21, 2006

God grant that I may live to fish
 Until my dying day
 And when it comes to my last cast
 I then most humbly pray
 When in the lord's safe landing net
 I'm peacefully asleep
 That in His mercy I be judged
 As big enough to keep.

Missing you always,
Chris & Peggy Cowdin

Local Notes

New Life Lutheran 2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt

25 E. Kirche In The Woods, Spruce

Saturday, April 23

The fun begins 11 a.m.,

Hop on in, decorate your Easter Egg hunting bag, play games, do crafts, enjoy crafts and meet the Easter Bunny!

Easter Egg Hunting Times:
Ages up to 5 years old 12 p.m.
Ages 6-10 years old 12:15 p.m.
Ages 11 & older 12:30 p.m.
Not only will your eggs be full of surprises, prizes will be awarded for each age group

FREE ADMISSION

New Life Lutheran Church is located North of M-72 on Hubbard Lake Road 3/4 Miles South of the White Pines Golf Course.

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shipwrecks can all be found on this database along with a picture of the specialty cow herd from the Serradella Farm in Greenbush and the Black River story by Velma Rasche. Over 1,200 items from Gauthier's collection and the library's vertical file have been scanned and preserved for research and enjoyment.

Hand Bell Concert

The Sunrise Ringers, an area-based hand bell group with members from Alpena to Oscoda, is performing a concert on Sunday, May 1 at the Trinity Lutheran Church beginning at 3 p.m. The hand bell groups from the Trinity church will also play. The church is located about one half mile south of Kmart on US-23 north of Oscoda. The music will be both classical and contemporary. A free will offering will be accepted. For more information, call Margaret Fox, director, at (989) 736-3025.

Family Fun Fair

Each April Michigan celebrates Month of the Young Child. This is a time when communities and individuals focus attention on early childhood issues and recognize the needs of young children and their families. As part of this statewide effort, the Iosco County Family Enrichment Coalition will host the 12th annual Family Fun Fair on Saturday, April 30 at the Oscoda High School from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Families with young children are invited to join in this celebration free of charge. There will be family crafts and activities, magic shows, face painting, characters, door prizes, free lunch served from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., car seat safety inspections, parenting and community resource information and much more.

The 2011 Family Fun Fair sponsors include St. Joseph Health System, Oscoda United Way, Iosco County Child Protection Council, Oscoda Area Schools and WKJC 104.7 FM. In addition, local businesses, civic groups and organizations are providing monetary donations and/or contributing their time and resources to make this event a success. For more information call Sue Buresh, coalition chairperson at (989) 362-8636 or e-mail at sue.buresh@avcmh.org.

Women's Health Initiative

St. Joseph Health System and Michigan CardioVascular Institute are offering the 2011 Women's Health Initiative on Thursday, April 28 at the East Tawas Community Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The day starts with a light breakfast followed by presentations on bone health, common sleep disorders in women and easy diet ideas for getting sleep. Rounding out the afternoon will be the latest in cardiac technology and its positive impact on cardiac care. Throughout the day attendees will have the opportunity to be pampered with massage therapy, hair care, facial waxing and more; participate in blood typing and blood pressure screenings; and visit educational booths offering information on a variety of health issues. Healthy alternatives in personal care products, women's fashions and a new jewelry trunk sale will be featured at this year's event. For more information, call St. Joseph Health System's Outreach Department at (989) 362-9404. Pre-registration is required and cost for the program is \$15 which includes lunch.

Food Pantry Donation

The Lincoln branch of Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union presented the Alcona Food Pantry with a check for \$286.13 and 219 pounds of food donations for local families in need. The Alcona Food pantry assists families by distributing food from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the second Sat-

urday of every month at the United Methodist Church in Harrisville. Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union selects four community or charity organizations that they would like to fundraise for during each quarter of the year. During the first quarter of 2011 the staff of the Lincoln branch raised money and collected food for residents in need in their community.

Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union serves members primarily in Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency, and Iosco counties with eight locations—a main office located in Alpena, with branch offices in Ossineke, Lincoln, Atlanta, a Tiger Branch in Alcona Community Schools, Oscoda and Tawas offices, and an additional branch in Alpena.

Business Award

Tammi Simmons held the spotlight recently during Northland Area Federal Credit Union's annual board meeting. The CEO and board of directors recognized Simmons for her long-standing dedication to Northland and recent promotion to senior AVP of branch operations. Pete Dzuris, Northland's CEO, presented Simmons with a plaque in appreciation for her upcoming 25th anniversary with the credit union. "With Tammi's dedication and 25 years of knowledge and experience, she was a natural choice to head up branch operations. I'm honored to have her on the Northland team and confident she'll serve our members well in her new role," Dzuris said.

Simmons began her career as an encoder in Northland's Tawas branch in 1986, when the credit union was known as Wurtsmith Community Federal Credit Union. Two years later she accepted the first of numerous promotions during her rise within the company, including senior branch coordinator and AVP of branch operations. Throughout her career Simmons has been recognized for her superior job performance, dependability, communication skills and contribution to the team effort.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES EASTER SCHEDULE TRIDUUM

April 21-Holy Thursday-

Mass of the Lord's Supper
St. Raphael, Mikado: 5 p.m.
with adoration until midnight
St. Catherine, Ossineke: 7 p.m.
with adoration until 10 p.m.

April 22-Good Friday-

Celebration of the Lord's Passion
St. Catherine, Ossineke: 1 p.m.
St. Anne, Harrisville: 6 p.m.

April 23-Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil

St. Raphael, Mikado 9 p.m.

April 24-Easter Sunday:

St. Catherine, Ossineke 9 a.m.,
St. Anne, Harrisville: 11 a.m.

Oscoda Area Schools
3550 East River Road
Oscoda, Michigan 48750

INVITATION TO BID LAPTOP/DESKTOP CLASSROOM COMPUTER SETS

The Board of Education of the Oscoda Area Schools, Iosco and Alcona Counties, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for laptop/desktop classroom computer sets. Sealed bids will be received until **1 p.m. on Thursday, May 19, 2011**. All bids will be opened and ready publicly at that time at:

Oscoda Area Schools
Board of Education Meeting Room
Oscoda Area High School
3550 East River Road
Oscoda, Michigan 48750

All bids must be sealed and clearly labeled on the outside of the envelope: **Laptop/Desktop Classroom Computer Sets Bid**. Bid specification packets are available at the Oscoda Area Schools Board of Education Office located at 3550 East River Road, Oscoda, Michigan 48750, or by calling (989) 739-2033.

Bids received after 1 p.m. Thursday, May 19, 2011 will not be accepted. Faxed proposals will not be accepted. Any questions should be directed to Susan Barnhart at (989) 739-2033.

Oscoda Area Schools reserves the right to waive any informalities in bidding, reject any or all bids, accept any bid when, in the opinion of the Oscoda Area Schools, such action will serve the best interest of the Oscoda Area Schools consistent with competitive bidding requirements.

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District Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 81st District Court in March by the Honorable Allen C. Yenior and the Honorable Laura A. Frawley.

- Jason James Lince, 44, of Gaines, Mich. was sentenced to 30 days in jail, one year of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,235 for controlled substance - use of marijuana.

- Cassandra Lee Hohl, 31, of Greenbush was sentenced to three days in jail, two days of community service and fines and court costs of \$1,

245 for operating while visibly impaired.

- Samantha Jo Yorch, 18, of Harrisville was sentenced to fines and court costs of \$545 for no insurance.

- Charles Alfred Prill, 59, of Greenbush was sentenced to six months of probation and fines and court costs of \$640 for sex offender - failure to report/comply with reporting duties.

- John Edward Slayton, 28, of Mio, Mich. was sentenced to fines and court

costs of \$345 for no insurance.

- Michael Leon Sanders, 58, of Greenbush was sentenced to fines and court costs of \$720 for failure to report an accident.

- John Philip Czap, 42, of Gladwin, Mich. was sentenced to 20 days in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,000 for operator's license suspended/revoked/denied.

- Ricky Lynn Lamphier, 56, of Glennie was sentenced to fines and court costs of \$150 for unlawfully disposing of waste.

Circuit Court

The following individuals were recently sentenced in 23rd Circuit Court by the Honorable Ronald M. Bergeron, William F. Myles and Laura A. Frawley:

November 2010

- Anthony William Curia, 18, of Mikado was sentenced to four months in jail, two years of probation, restitution of \$5,457 and fines and court costs of \$1,728 for home invasion, second degree.

- Deana Lynn Smith, 35, of West Bloomfield Hills, Mich. was sentenced to nine months in jail, two years of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,656 for two counts of larceny of a building.

December 2010

- Dennis Drew Baker, 57, of Mikado was sentenced to a one year delayed sentence, fines and court costs of \$976 and his driver's license was suspended for six months for delivery/manufacture-possession of marijuana.

- Shawn Emerson Kendall, 39, of Oscoda was sentenced to 30 days in jail, two years of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,828 for operating while intoxicated, third offense. He must participate and successfully complete Alcona County Drug Sobriety Court as a condition of his sentence.

- William Alan White, 39, of Harrisville was sentenced to 30 days in jail, two years of probation and fines and court costs of \$2,428 for operating while intoxicated, third offense. He must participate and successfully complete Alcona County Drug Sobriety Court as a condition of his sentence.

- Robin Renee Smith, 40,

of Mikado was sentenced to six months in jail (to be served at the court's discretion), two years of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,528 for attempted false report of a felony.

- David Alexander Cordes, 21, of Barton City was sentenced to 24-48 months in prison and fines and court costs of \$1,596 for assault/weapon.

January

- Tracy Bryan Box, 49, of Black River was sentenced to six months in jail, two years of probation and fines and court costs of \$2,198 for operating while intoxicated, third offense.

- Crystal Marie Chechowski, 31, of Hubbard Lake was sentenced to one year delayed sentence and fines and court costs of \$1,098 for manufacture/deliver a controlled substance - marijuana.

- Allen Frances Reed, 49, of Mont Rose, Mich. was sentenced to five to 20 years in prison and fines and court costs of \$1,066 for delivery of a controlled substance, 50-224 grams.

February

- Alan Dean Crandell, 51, of Glennie was sentenced to 30 days in jail, five years of probation and fines and court costs of \$998 for attempted possession of child sexual abusive material.

- Tommy Allan Lauwers, 19, of Oscoda was sentenced to 29-180 months in prison and fines and court costs of \$1,798 for operating under the influence causing death.

- Dennis Joseph Pelkey Jr., 36, of Black River was sentenced to one year de-

layed sentence and fines and court costs of \$1,098 for controlled substance - delivery/manufacture marijuana.

- Tait Jason Mahlmeister, 36, of Hubbard Lake was sentenced to 90 days in jail, two years of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,398 for fleeing a police officer and operating while intoxicated. He must participate and successfully complete Alcona County Drug Sobriety Court as a condition of his sentence.

March

- Herman Skyler Robson, 19, of Glennie was sentenced to two months in jail, two years of probation and court costs and fines of \$1,798 for breaking and entering with intent. Restitution is reserved.

- Robert William Sanders, 45, of Waterford Township, Mich. was sentenced to two months in jail, two years of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,098 for operating while intoxicated, third offense.

- Joshua R. Homminga, 18, of Essexville, Mich. was sentenced to fines and court costs of \$1,698 and a one year delayed sentence for controlled substance - possession nonnarcotic.

- David Leo Hunt, 18, of Barton City was sentenced to six months in jail, two years of probation, restitution of \$419 and fines and court costs of \$1,746 for controlled substance - possession of marijuana and attempted home invasion, second degree. His driver's license was suspended for six months.

- Robert James Fall, 54, of Glennie was sentenced to 30 days in jail (reserved - to serve within one year) and fines and court costs of \$943 for controlled substance - possession of marijuana. His driver's license was suspended for six months.

ALCONA HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER

Thursday, May 12 at Lost Lake Woods Club

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NOTICE

A memorial dedication is being planned to honor Lincoln's native son, Everett Schram. When Everett passed away in October of 2009 the Lincoln Village Council voted to rename the Little League ball field in his memory. Plans are being made to host a celebration/dedication ceremony complete with a ballgame. Everett was instrumental in both playing and coaching baseball in the community for over 50 years. We are looking for anyone who was coached by Everett, played on one of the baseball teams he was on or those who just knew him through his association with the sports teams he supported.

Plans are being made to have this event in June. Anyone interested in joining in this fun celebration to honor a wonderful coach, baseball player and friend may call:

Sharon Ginder (989)736-8314
or
Bonny Gauthier (989)736-3844

3/13 & 3/20

WE NEED YOU!

**Do you have a passion for animal welfare?
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The shelter needs individuals to work together within a board setting to sustain and grow AHS. Fresh thoughts and new ideas are always welcome. We need motivated, hardworking people who have the time, desire, and passion for helping the dogs and cats in our community.

The shelter can benefit from your time and unique talents. Attributes can include but are not limited to:

- Website creation/computer skills**
- Financial abilities**
- Organizational talents**
- People skills**
- Fundraising abilities**
- Grant writing experience**
- Mechanical and/or construction skills**

If you feel that you could bring a fresh and motivated perspective to the endeavors of the shelter please contact Jennifer Forbes at (989) 736-7387 or jengforbes.ahs@hotmail.com.

Thank you and remember **the animals need YOU!**

Spring is just ducky

By Mary Weber
Special to the Review

My husband and I are what we like to call, "lazy" bird watchers. We rarely venture outdoors in search of a bird to add to our check list. Instead, we sit patiently inside watching from our dining room window and wait for the birds to come to us. We've had relatively good success with this due to the fact that our window overlooks pond, swamp, forest and grass areas dotted throughout by suet and seed feeders.

Several years ago, when we bought our Alcona County property, my husband's father, Clarence, (who was elderly and in frail health) fashioned a wood duck house for us. We mounted the box in a quiet location on a tree along the small stream that winds through the back of our property. Occasionally we would check the status of the box and every time we were greatly disappointed to find that nothing - not even a spider - had ventured near the box.

We thought at first the box might not have been made correctly, but upon checking many websites with wood duck box instructions and thumbing through numerous books, we found that, apparently, Clarence knew his duck house dimensions. The box was perfect.

After three or four years of dragging ladders down to the river to clean out the box and finding nothing in the box to clean, we finally decided that it must be in the wrong location.

It was just about that time Clarence died. Missing him terribly, we decided to move



Mrs. Wood sitting atop Clarence's wood duck house. Photos by Mary Weber.

the box to our backyard pond area so we could at least see it and enjoy a reminder of how dear he was. We knew the likelihood of any duck calling it home in a location so close to the house were slim to none, but they weren't nesting in it anyway. We might as well have it close where we can see it.

We placed the duck box on a dead cedar tree that juts out of a small island. It's extremely visible from our dining room window and most visitors notice the duck house immediately. We've had a lot of people ask if we've seen any wood ducks nesting. For years our response has been no -- up until last Friday morning.

I woke early to let the dogs out and make coffee. As I



out constantly and insist on letting all of our backyard visitors know they are on high alert.

Mr. Wood duck fluttered to the top of Clarence's duck house and was clucking insistently to his wife. Mrs. Wood, totally ignoring his opinion and pleas, just muttered to herself as she perused the pond's edge for a bite to eat. I could tell he was saying, "But honey, we flew all this way, at least take a look at it while we're here - it's an open house, come on."



Mr. and Mrs. Hooded swim in the pond.

passed our dining room I glanced out the window to see a lovely pair of wood ducks swimming along in the pond. You could tell they were completely infatuated with each other... newlyweds, no doubt about it. I poured my coffee and sat down to see if maybe they were out house hunting and if they'd be interested in Clarence's house.

It wasn't long before Mr. Wood duck flew to the top of the dead tree and was summoning his wife to join him in taking a look. I learned something that morning; Wood ducks make more of a clucking sound instead of a quacking sound. Mrs. Wood clucked back at her husband several times. I could tell Mrs. Wood was telling Mr. Wood that she was not completely overjoyed by the neighborhood.

I could see her point. The duck house is located within 50 feet of our busy back door where we do most of our coming and going several times a day. We also have three loud barking dogs that are in and

Finally, (and I'm sure just to shut Mr. Wood up) Mrs. Wood decided to take a look inside. Surprisingly, she stayed in the house for a long time.

"I'm pretty sure we have a buyer," I said to my husband. "She's been in there a long time; she's obviously measuring for furniture and maybe new carpet." My husband grunted between sips of his coffee and muttered, "Don't get too excited until we actually have an offer on the table."

After a while Mrs. Wood emerged from the house and the pair took another slow and careful cruise around the pond, bobbing along grazing on bits and pieces and clucking to each other in whispered voices. "I think they are having some discussion about the school systems here and if their children would have to cross any busy streets." Wil just responded with a sigh "I don't think they have to worry much about that."

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Tests for the May 3, 2011 School Election for the Alcona Community School District has been scheduled at the following school precincts:

PRECINCT 1

Gustin Twp. Hall
113 S. 2nd
Lincoln, MI
April 27, 2011 at 5 p.m.

PRECINCT 2

Caledonia Twp. Hall
Gillard Road
Spruce, MI
April 25, 2010 at 5 p.m.

PRECINCT 3

Harrisville Twp. Hall
114 S. Poor Farm Road
Harrisville, MI
April 27, 2011 at 4 p.m.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to record and count the votes cast at the election meet the requirements of law.

Patricia Truman
Alcona County Clerk

SENIOR LIFESTYLES

Choosing a senior-friendly blood glucose meter

Dear Savvy Senior,
Can you recommend any tips to help seniors choose a good blood glucose meter? At age 64, I was just diagnosed with type 2 diabetes and my doctor told me I need to keep a close eye on my blood sugar at home.

Retired Diabetic

Dear Retired,

A blood glucose meter is a vital tool for most diabetics, but with all the models and options available today, selecting one can be a bit confusing.

Most seniors that have diabetes need a personal blood glucose meter – a small battery-powered device – to measure their blood sugar. Regular monitoring provides valuable information about how food, medications, exercise, stress and many other factors affect your blood sugar, which, in turn, helps you manage your diabetes.

There are many types of meters available today, from basic models to more-advanced meters with multiple features and options. Choosing the right one for you will depend on your wants and needs, as well as your insurance coverage and budget.

Here are factors to consider:

- **Costs:** Your first step is to check with your insurance provider to see how much they'll cover for the meter and the strips. The meters themselves don't cost much, typically between \$10 and \$85 (you may even be able to get one for free through your doc-

tor or health insurer). But the testing strips are pricy, running between 50 cents and \$1 each, which really adds up depending on how often you test. So pay close attention to the cost of the test strips when comparing prices.

- **Ease of use:** Some meters are easier to use than others. Seniors often like larger meters that have bigger controls and use larger strips that are easier to handle. There are also meters that use cartridges of test strips instead of individual strips, and cartridge-loaded lancets which are very convenient. Or, if your vision is poor, there are large-display or talking meters that "speak" your results. And some models have a backlight, which is handy for nighttime readings.

- **Blood sampling:** To help reduce the "ouch" factor of testing, many meters today allow you to draw blood from less sensitive areas of the body like the upper arm, forearm, thigh, calf, or palm in addition to your fingertip. If you like this option, look for the words "alternate site testing" on the packaging, but be sure you check with your doctor first because readings that are not taken from the finger may not be as reliable, especially with rapid changes in blood sugar.

Also check the meter box to see how much blood is required for each test. Less (between 0.3 and 1.0 microliters) is better because the lancet won't poke your skin as deep making it less painful.

- **Memory and computer**

Savvy Senior

capabilities: Most meters have memory so you can store and recall past readings, and some have the capability of averaging your test results for seven, 14 and 30-day time periods which is also very helpful. If you test several times a day, get a meter that stores at least 200 to 450 readings. And, if you're computer savvy, consider a meter that lets you download your readings to your computer. It makes it easier to track and share your results with your doctor.

- **Speed and coding:** Meters will also vary on how long they take to give you your results, ranging from a few seconds up to a minute. Also, be aware that for a meter to produce accurate results, it must be set to recognize a batch code of numbers on each test strip. Some meters recognize the code automatically, while others need to be coded manually. With that said, get an "auto-code" or "no-code" meter. It eliminates potential errors and ensures accuracy.

Your doctor, diabetes educator and pharmacist are all great resources to help you choose a meter. Also see the Diabetes Forecast article "Blood Glucose Meters – 2010 Consumer Guide" which you can access at bloodglucose-meterguide2010.info.

No COLA for 2012 either?

Senior News Line
By Matilda Charles

Those in the know are already predicting what will happen with our Social Security Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) in 2012. They're consulting charts and graphics, sharpening their pencils and guesstimating. At this point there's good and bad news, assuming the experts are correct.

The good: We'll likely get an increase of 1.1 percent to 1.2 percent, the first increase since 2009.

The bad: All of it likely will be eaten up by increases in Medicare Part B, which is deducted from our Social Security checks before we receive them.

On the other hand, if the Part B increase is larger than the Social Security increase, they won't take the difference out of our checks.

Supposedly when consumer prices go up, so does our monthly check. A tiny increase apparently means our daily costs haven't gone up much.

For those who haven't applied for Social Security yet: If you take Social Security before your Normal Retirement Age, you get dinged for

the money you make. You are penalized \$1 for every \$2 you make above \$14,160. That goes up to \$1 for every \$3 above \$37,680. Income from pensions, capital gains and annuities is not counted.

Still, if you're "under age" and still working, yet you want to collect Social Security, do the calculations carefully. Call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 to have it do the calculations as well. This is no time to be wrong. Remember, too, that you'll pay taxes on Social Security if your income exceeds a certain amount: \$25,000 if you're single, and \$32,000 if you file jointly.

The COLA figures for 2012 will be finalized in October. Cross your fingers.

Matilda Charles regrets that she cannot personally answer reader questions, but will incorporate them into her column whenever possible. Write to her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mail to columnreply@gmail.com.

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Gwen Cox
Millen Twp. Clerk

4-20 & 4-27

Alcona High School Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Alcona High School Principal's List and Honor Roll for the third marking period.

Ninth Grade

Principal's List

Karina Cole, 4.00; Benjamin Dubuque, 4.00; Madeline Feldhiser, 3.90; Brian Finn, 3.73; Logan Friddle, 4.00; Walker Kelly, 4.00; Rachel Schellie, 3.83; Basil Schuman, 3.73; Hannah Terpstra, 4.00.

Honor Roll

Kyle Harmon, 3.40; Kimberly Lindsay, 3.15; Ryley Mancine, 3.67; Garrette Norling, 3.55; Errin O'Leary, 3.28; Megan Quick, 3.40; Lilly Rodgers-Manning, 3.33; Turner Somers, 3.67; Dustin Yokom, 3.62.

Tenth Grade

Principal's List

Dariele Bilbey, 3.72; Nicholas Bouchard, 3.90; Vanessa Bowman, 3.83; Marisa Hirschfeld, 4.00; Victoria Keerl, 3.90; Taylor Orefice, 3.72; Nicole Pawloski, 3.73; Rose Powierski, 3.83; Kelsey Sullivan, 3.73.

Honor Roll

Miranda Ankner, 3.05; Bethany Dunn, 3.27; Natalie Goldstrom, 3.12; Haley Gombos, 3.13; Eric Hampton, 3.67; Chad Haneckow, 3.55; Joseph Hudgins, 3.15; Sydney Jerome, 3.28; Kaitlynn Keesler, 3.40; Catherine McNeill, 3.00; Megann Ridge-

well, 3.28; Aaron Ritchie, 3.60; Karaline Sager, 3.10; Jared Steiner, 3.10; Zachary Stoner, 3.10; Allen Vandenoorn, 3.00.

Eleventh Grade

Principal's List

Alexis Cook, 4.00; Austin Gerard, 3.83; Alexandria Keerl, 3.90; Ashley Kenworthy, 3.72; Amy Nowak, 4.00; Emily Nowak, 3.90; Austin Scott, 3.75; Audrey Warner, 4.00; Tiffany Younk, 3.77.

Honor Roll

Ryan Bumgardner, 3.18; Andrew Chamberlain, 3.58; Cassandra Gansen, 3.68; Nathan Geiersbach, 3.14; Brandon Gibson, 3.17; Megan Griffith, 3.46; Melissa Hayes, 3.33; Rachel Hefferon, 3.68; Alexandra Kramer, 3.50; Kathleen Kramer, 3.68; Kaylee LaFave, 3.20; Brock Lavergne, 3.27; Gregory Lavigne, 3.52; Melissa Lindsay, 3.57; Kevin Pagels, 3.50; Nicole Quick, 3.27; Amber Schrader, 3.50; Sydney

Sefernack, 3.30; Alleigh Sexton, 3.12; Betsy Smith, 3.50; Amanda Swinson, 3.48; Stephen Turpen, 3.33.

Twelfth Grade

Principals' Honor Roll

Samantha Allen, 4.00; Erin Bumgardner, 4.00; Alexander Cole, 4.00; Geoffrey Gerard, 3.70; Sarah Hart, 3.70; Anthony Herman, 3.75; Kristopher Kubbe, 4.00; Caitlin, 4.00; Adam Neveu, 4.00; Kayla Norton, 3.77; Zachary Palmer, 4.00; Andrew Schram, 3.83; Adam Weidner, 4.00; Braden Yokom, 3.74.

Honor Roll

Andrea Caraher, 3.54; Kristin Doucette, 3.50; Tanner Gerard, 3.22; Anna Griffin, 3.20; Zachary Harmon, 3.43; Morgan Higgins, 3.15; Alexa LeCureux, 3.67; Mallory Martin, 3.00; Jennifer McNabb, 3.20; Jessica Purcell, 3.28; Kaleb Sager, 3.20; Ashley Whitford, 3.68.

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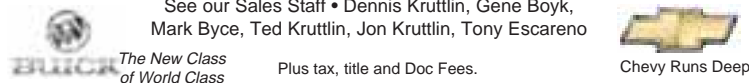
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Middle School Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Alcona Middle School Principal's List and Honor Roll for the third marking period.

Seventh Grade

Principal's Honor Roll
Sara Blohm, 4.00; Caitlynn Dzuris, 4.00; Jessica Grove, 3.88; Torie Harmon, 3.78; Mitchel Havercroft, 3.83; Alexandra Lask, 3.85; Sydney Pierce, 4.00; Ashley Pyle, 3.73; Kaitlin Schellie, 3.90; Nathaniel Swinson, 3.83; Elaina Thomas, 3.80; Lauren Yokom, 3.73.

Honor Roll

Piet Botha, 3.28; Amy Brandt, 3.13; William Collins, 3.00; Claire Feldhiser, 3.57; Coda Gallagher, 3.67; Jacob Gombos, 3.43; Brooke Harmon, 3.62; Noah Kenworthy, 3.17; Harlie Lafond, 3.57; Taylor Panzica, 3.07; Jenna Peterson, 3.18; Savannah Peterson, 3.02; Jeffery Schram, 3.22; Alissa Terpstra,

3.67; Isaak VonFintel, 3.12; Samantha Zerbst, 3.40.

Eighth Grade

Principal's Honor Roll
Victoria Burns, 3.72; Kayla Hampton, 3.78; Alexis Higgins, 3.78; George Hirschfeld IV, 3.83; Maire MacMaster, 3.95; Samantha Schopfer, 3.73; Nicole Walen, 3.73.

Honor Roll

Dan Allen, 3.10; Alexis Bloomfield, 3.55; Jacob Campbell, 3.43; Kendra Cole, 3.38; Stephanie Fry, 3.33; Leigh Gibson, 3.33; Martha Johnson, 3.17; Trenton LaVergne, 3.62; Sage McDermott, 3.57; Katelyn Nelson, 3.50; Shannon Oliver, 3.67; Alex Paad, 3.13; Cheyenne Parkinson, 3.17; Alan Pawloski, 3.10; Jacob Radermacher, 3.12; Hannah Riggs, 3.62; Brandon Ritchie, 3.38; Ryan Shultz, 3.50; Morgan Stewart, 3.50; Brandon Sweet, 3.22; Kalie Zerbst, 3.60.

Bowling Scores

Huron

April 12

Rob's Repair	10.5	126.5
Carpet One	11	121.5
Back Alley Bar	26	111
Lincoln Prec.	18	106.5
Gary Oil	19.5	102
B & D Sales	4	101.5
Haglund's	19	88
Big Joe's Motel	12	83
High game: Gary Vick,		255.
High series: Rod Travis,		647.
High handicap game and series: Gary Vick,		291 and 735.

Wednesday Nite Women's

April 13

Alcona Tool	117	63
Back Alley Bar	114	66
Other Team	101.5	78.5
Animal Clinic	100.5	79.5
Ark Plumbing	98.5	81.5
Stoney Acres	94.5	85.5
JB's Auto	92	88
Cole's Appl.	81.5	98.5
Alcona Abstract	74.5	105.5
High game: Mary Jackson,		246.
High series: Jenny Buchner,		593.
High handicap game and series: Pauline Somers,		276 and 740.

Sportsmans

April 14

Morgan Elec.	21	118
Top O' Mich.	28	109
Balls On Ya	24	107.5
Phil's Barber	6	106
Baymoor	19	91.5
Cole's Appl.	11	91.5
L.L.W. Club	9	72.5
Ghost Busters	2	24
High game: Bob Green,		268.
High series: Jimmy Armstrong,		748.
High handicap game: Bob Green,		286.
High handicap series: Jimmy Armstrong,		748.



Cinderella (Kaylee LaFave) and Prince Rupert (Walker Kelly) realize their feelings for each other on stage in the Alcona Drama Club production of "Cinderella." A total of 15 cast members and seven back stage crew were involved in the production that was presented on two evenings last weekend. The play was directed by Katie Boyer. *Courtesy photo.*

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Oscoda Area High School
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Oscoda, Michigan 48750
Phone: (989) 739-2033

All bids must be sealed and clearly labeled on the outside of the envelope: **OSCODA AREA SCHOOLS REAL ESTATE SALES AGENT BID.**

Bids received after 1:00 p.m. Thursday, April 21, 2011, will not be accepted. Questions should be directed to Susan Barnhart at (989) 739-2033.

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Organization Notes

East Shore Art Guild

The East Shore Art Guild (ESAG) meeting began at 12:45 p.m. with president Bernie Blaszk welcoming everyone to the meeting and congratulating the people showing their art at the Ta-was Hospital Art Show -- M.A. Comar, S. Behmer, R. Blaszk, B. Blaszk, K. Jonker, C. Brackett and Joan Kenville

Minutes from the March 8 meeting were approved, first and seconded. Peg Little gave the treasurer's report; it was approved, first and seconded. Bernie Blaszk is taking care of membership for the time being. We have 54 members with four honorary members. Our new member is: Michelle Marcoulier. Honorary member is: Carol Lepard.

Carol Lepard gave a great demo about her craft and how she started creating unique and memorable handmade greeting cards for all occasions. Besides making and designing cards on the computer she also uses some of her designs on cards using origami, embroidery, stacking and many other unique techniques. Digital designing and making backing papers for her cards is also one of her many talents. She showed us some of her many handmade cards, so beautiful they deserve to be in a frame for all to enjoy.

New business: April 30 fundraiser - Donations for Candy (Hall) Fulsher - breast Cancer. Contact Christine Hoffman at the EMS Building, May 7 - Reception from 5 to 7 p.m., Trelfa Gallery at Besser Museum for NEMAG of Alpena. Poem Art and Painting to the poem "I wondered lonely as a cloud" or "Daffodils" by William Wordsworth.

May is ESAG art work at the Harrisville library: May 2 take your art work in from 10 a.m. to noon. Pick up your art work on May 27 from 10 a.m. to noon. Artists reception will be Tuesday, May 10 after the gallery and guild general monthly meeting.

New Galleries starting soon: In Alpena next to the Hallmark Shop, Thunder Bay Art Gallery. In Oscoda, Ausable River Art Gallery, next to Ace Hardware.

Kids art workshop: ESAG Youth Group, Tuesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. A flyer will be going out to the elementary schools about the summer youth art classes. June 21, 28, July 5, 19, 26, at the EMS Building on M-72.

Sharon Griffey tarr oil and pastel workshop: May 23 - May 27, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. At the Harrisville Art Council Building. A \$50 deposit is with the balance to be paid the first day of class. Make check payable to: Harrisville Art Council.

There are two summer art shows coming up. Chairmen are needed for both art shows.



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A Summer Impromptu will be held on Wednesday, July 13. The Sunrise Side Wine and Food Festival will be held on Saturday, July 16.

ESAG Youth Group guidelines for ages eight and up -- The guidelines will replicate the ESAG guidelines and inspirations for the future of the guild.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Terry Lipscomb and seconded by Peg Little. Adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

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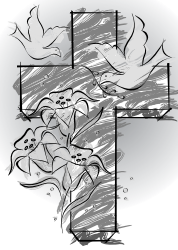
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Testing Time 9:30 a.m.

Elmer Township
863 W. Kittle Road
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Testing Time 10:45 a.m.

Greenwood Township
4030 William Road
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Testing Time 12:00 p.m.

Clinton Township
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Testing Time 2:00 p.m.

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Testing Time 3:00 p.m.

Mitchell Township
6849 W. Tower Road
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Testing Time 4:15 p.m.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to record and count the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of law. The Public is invited to attend.

Jeri Winton,
Oscoda County Clerk/Register of Deeds

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For children 0-11 years of age please.
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We will give every child a bag and list of businesses that are participating in the Egg Hunt. When everyone is done collecting their eggs, come back to the fire hall where we will prepare hotdogs, chips and punch for the children and their families.
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Have questions or need more info,
contact Teresa Hart 736-8936

Preschool and kindergarten registration being held at Cedar Lake Elementary

Preschool and kindergarten at Cedar Lake Elementary in Oscoda will be held on April 28 and 29.

Kindergarten students participate in grade level curriculum lessons/activities and attend enrichment classes in art and technology (which includes library and computer lab), language and performing arts and math and physical education. Classes are held all day.

Kindergarten registration is as scheduled on Thursday, April 28: 4-5 p.m. - last names that begin with A-K; 5-6 p.m. - last names that begin with L-Q; 6-7 p.m. - Last names that begin with R-Z.

On Friday, April 29 regis-

tration is from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. by appointment.

Bring the child's vision, hearing and speech screenings, shot records, birth certificate, the parent or guardian's driver's license or some proof of residency and any other court papers or decision making papers to registration.

Preschool registration -- for Oscoda Area Schools B-3, B-4 and Oscoda Head Start -- will be combined.

The three year old program, B-3, is three half days a week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. There is a morning and afternoon program and transportation is the responsibility of the parent.

This is a free program for students in the Oscoda Area School district. Morning class receives free universal breakfast.

The B-4 program is four half days a week, Monday through Thursday. There is both a morning and afternoon program. This is free to all students who qualify. Breakfast and lunch are free to all students in the B-4 program. Students with disabilities are offered an inclusion program with special education services within the school week. Transportation is also provided to and from school.

NEMCSA Head Start offers a preschool program for

families with children ages 3-5. This half day program provides kindergarten preparation, opportunities for parent involvement, developmentally appropriate curriculum, inclusion for children with disabilities, family style meals/snacks and nutrition education and limited transportation.

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Required information for preschool registration: The child's birth certificate, immunization records, proof of in-

come (current W-2 form or check stub), emergency information, decision making authority (power of attorney, guardianship, court order), health insurance information and health appraisal form or appointment date.

Registration is Thursday, April 28 from 4-7 p.m. and Friday, April 29 from 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Call and set up an appointment (989) 739-5491.

For more information regarding any of these programs contact, the Cedar Lake Principal, at 739-5491, Jane Negro, early childhood director, at (989) 739-9173 ext. 2342, or Shar Wheatley, Head Start Family Community Coordinator, at (989) 739-2178.

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By Jason Delong
STAFF WRITER

Yesterday at the **Holiday Inn Alpena**, hundreds lined up to cash in antiques, collectibles, gold and jewelry at the Treasure Hunters Roadshow. The free event is in **Alpena** all week, buying gold, silver, antiques and collectibles. One visitor I spoke with yesterday said, "It's unbelievable, I brought in some old coins that had been in a little cigar box for years and some old herringbone necklaces—in less than fifteen minutes I left with a check for \$700. That stuff has been in my jewelry box and dresser for at least 20 years." Another gentleman brought in an old Fender guitar his father had bought years ago. The man said, "Dad had less than fifty bucks in that guitar." The Roadshow expert that assisted him made a few phone calls and a veterinarian in Seattle, Washington bought the guitar for \$5,700.00. The seller continued, "I got another \$150.00 for a broken necklace and an old class ring. It's not every day that someone comes to town bringing six thousand dollars with your name on it."

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Jeff Parsons, President of the Treasure Hunters Roadshow commented, "Lots of people have items that they know are valuable but just don't know where to sell them. Old toys, trains, swords, guitars, pocket watches or just about anything old is valuable to collectors. These collectors are willing to pay big money for those items that they are looking for."

This week's Roadshow is the best place to get connected with those collectors. The process is free and anyone can bring items down to the event. If the Roadshow experts find items that their collectors are interested in, offers will be made to purchase them. About 80% of the guests that attend the show end up selling one or more items at the event.

Antiques and collectibles are not the

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only items the Roadshow is buying. "Gold and silver markets are soaring," says Archie Davis, a Roadshow representative. "Broken jewelry and gold and silver coins add up very quickly. I just finished working with a gentleman that had an old class ring, two bracelets and a handful of silver dollars. His check was for over \$650.00. I would say that there were well over 100 people in here yesterday that sold their scrap gold." The Roadshow continues today starting at 9am. The event is free and no appointment is needed.



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4/20 & 4/27

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For better or worse

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

Her Majesty Elizabeth Windsor, Queen of England Buckingham Palace, London, England

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kniep accept with pleasure your kind invitation for the 29th of April. While we will be attending the festivities through the miracle of modern television, we nonetheless will celebrate your auspicious occasion with vigor and, taking the advice of Lady Hillington, from time to time we will close our eyes and think of England. Best wishes for a perfectly smashing day!

The Knieps

I have to admit, I'd given it some thought before deciding that yes, I most likely will attend the royal wedding, less than nine days away by the time you're reading this.

I've always rather liked Prince William. In fact, when he was born and my own Princess was four, I thought it might be rather nice if someday their eyes met across a crowded room, if you will. While that wasn't meant to be, he's at least chosen a fiancé with the right first name.

All things considered, I think that's a good thing, given that as he's grown up he does show a slight tendency toward the more, um -- well -- boring tendencies of his father. At this point, while he is a tiny bit younger, we're holding out for Prince Harry, who has some spirit to him.

My concern about the wedding, actually, was that the bulk of it will be broadcast between midnight and two a.m., not noted as my finest hours. It did seem it might be a social gaffe to nod off during the wedding of the century. Given the recent fax pax of our vice president, however, who took a brief opportunity to rest his eyes during the President's speech on budget reduction, I suppose it's not so much of a much.

Then, of course, there was the issue of what to wear. Normally for such occasions I choose my Christmas pajamas, which aren't all that elegant but definitely the least ratty of my nightwear wardrobe.

I plan to team them with my fluffy blue robe and matching slipper socks.

A recent prediction of Kate Middleton's wedding dress said that she favors things that are "body-clinging with a tendency to come in rather distinctly at the waistline." Since my outfit tends to be body-skimming with a tendency to pooch out at the waistline, there should certainly be no worry that I'm trying to upstage the bride.

So that takes care of that. Except for the fact that for an occasion of this magnitude, it does seem as though a hat might be in order. Now admittedly, a lady never wears a hat at night, but given that the actual event is happening in the daytime, it just seems appropriate.

I cast about in my closet and determined that the only hats I currently own are three or four knitted stocking caps and one large, straw that I wear for gardening, none of which seemed to fill the bill. At the moment, I'm torn between a pink paper plate with a large artificial poppy taped on top (which would match my pajamas) or one of those trendy little "fascinators" so popular across the pond these days. I'm pretty certain I can whip one up from a (clean) pot scrubber and a couple of feathers we found on the beach last summer. It might look a little odd, but then, so does some of the queen's millinery. At any rate, I'm pretty certain I can be dressed for the event.

My biggest regret, of course, is that attending by telly doesn't give one access to the 10,000 canapes being prepared for the luncheon back at Liz and Phil's place, one of which is a take on bubble and squeak, a British dish I've always wanted to try. I plan to substitute some appropriately "biscuity" cookies, perhaps a bowl of chips and whatever remains of my Easter basket. I'm not much of a tea fan, but it does seem like the proper drink -- perhaps a nice glass of iced will fill the bill.

The best point of attending by telly, on the other hand, is that one isn't truly obligated to send a gift. Normally, when it comes to wedding gifts, I favor a butter

Puttin' On The Fritz

dish, on the basis that eventually the in-laws are going to come to supper and you can't very well just set the spread on the table in its plastic container. In this case, though, I can't begin to imagine how many butter dishes must already be stored in the royal's scatey-eight palaces, homes, summer places and hunting lodges.

That goes double for fish forks or silver serving spoons and really, would they have a chance to use a Bed, Bath and Beyond gift card? So I'm perfectly justified in just sending my good thoughts their way instead.

The nuptials themselves, as I understand it, will be followed by the luncheon, the kiss on the palace balcony and an evening dinner dance. That last bit, hosted by Prince Charles, is expected to be private and not broadcast, which is good because by that time I'm sure I'll be ready to tuck in. I do expect, however, that there will be elements of your basic northern Michigan wedding reception that won't be featured. Such as:

The Chicken Dance, I suppose. I'd be willing to bet that Prince Charles and Lady Camilla aren't planning to bend their knees and flap their elbows to the strains of "dadadadadada-DAH". You've got to admit, though, it would be great fun to watch.

Likewise, there's probably not going to be a dollar dance. Given the number of foreign leaders and the various forms of currency they'd be carrying, the whole thing could prove a real headache for the royal exchequer.

Pickled bologna. While it's Art's contention that no marriage in northern Michigan is legal unless pickled bologna is served somewhere in the reception, I don't think that law applies in England. There might be bangers -- the Brits term for sausages -- I suppose, though I suspect the queen doesn't call them that.

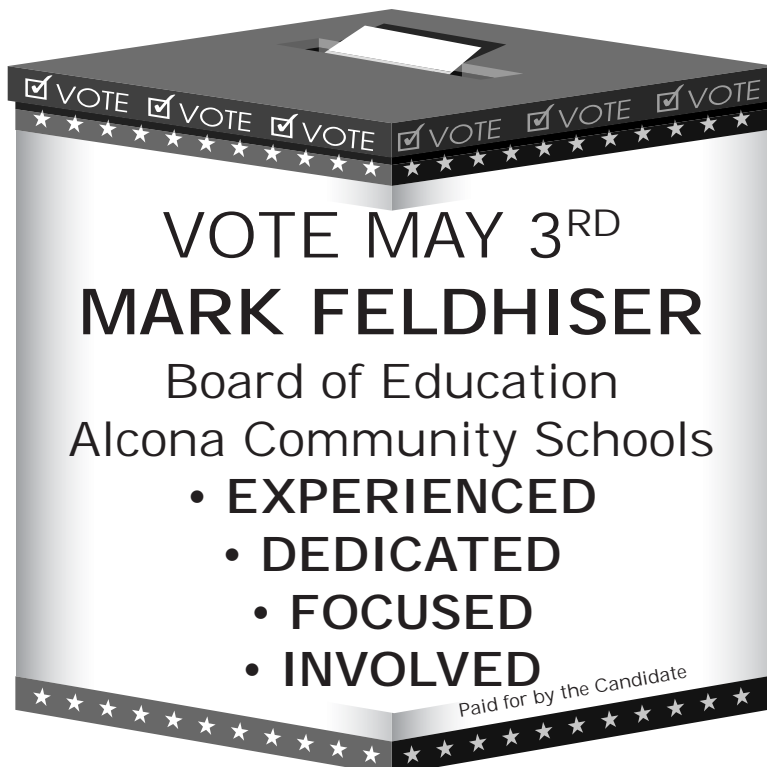
The Washtub -- Since Kate has only one sister, and she's the younger of the two, there won't be any occasion for the elder unmarried sister to dance in a washtub, more's the pity.

Jello Shots. Just because.

All in all, the royal reception sounds like a bit of a bust. The cakes, however, do sound tasty. The wedding cake is reported to be a multilayer fruit cake, covered in butter cream flowers while Prince William has rather endearingly requested a Chocolate Biscuit Cake -- a sort of icebox cookie cake he liked as a child.

I suppose there's the slightest chance that they'll mail me a piece, but while that would be lovely, it won't be the same as eating it, in tiny, ladylike bites, while I'm actually there, all turned out in my pink pajamas and paper plate hat.

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Four Generations

Great-grandfather Roddy Forsythe holds Rafe Sidaway during a family gathering in February with Travis Sidaway, the baby's father, and Sandy Sidaway, the baby's grandmother. *Courtesy photo.*

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So, my plans are in order. I'm looking forward to a fine affair, bolstered by the royal rules of etiquette and my faux English accent and topped off by a large, pink artificial poppy and some potato chips. And just before I click off the telly, like all fairy godmothers, I'll wish my wish to the newest prince and princess. Not "may you live happily ever after" (since nobody, truly, ever does) but instead, the words of that famous Brit, Jonathon Swift. "May you live all the days of your life."

If they're devoted and blessed, it seems to me, they'll have a much better chance of achieving that.

(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 27 years. She and her husband, Art, live in Harrisville. The couple has one daughter, Katrina – "the Princess," two dogs, Lady and Henry, and grand-dog, Bastian, all of whom are frequent victims of her column.)

Organization Notes

River Aux Sables Chapter, DAR

On April 13 River Aux Sables Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) met at the Willow Tree Restaurant in West Branch, Mich.

The chapter received numerous awards for service throughout the past year. Awards were given for genealogy preservation, providing lineage volunteers for look ups to other chapters, the American Indian and National defense programs presented at most meetings and growth of membership again this year, were among the 10 awards given to the chapter. Megan Schwab from Pinconning, Mich. was voted in and welcomed as a new prospective member of the chapter.

Speaker for the event was James Klumpp of Pinconning, Mich. who presented a program on weapons used in the Revolutionary War and the differences in how accurate they were especially considering the kind of warfare practiced in the 18th century, as opposed to the weaponry the soldiers are using today in Afghanistan and the Middle East.

He showed ammunition used in the Revolution War, that he handmade especially for the presentation, and the kind used now, explaining the differences and the impact each type was designed to dispense. His wife, Carlie, is the vice regent of River Aux Sables Chapter who traces her Revolutionary War ancestor through her father, Richard P. Welker. Both of Carlie's parents were veterans; Richard was in the Army in Korea and her mother, Regina, in the Navy in World War II. Carlie's Revolutionary War Ancestor was Garrett Seger, who enlisted in January of 1777 in New York, and served in Capt. John Hun's Batteau as a private transporting ammunition and provisions from Albany to Ft. Edward. For the next 13 months, he served off and on in Capt. Phillip Luke's Co. serving a

total of 24 months in the War of the Revolution.

Anyone who has a direct line ancestor who afforded service to the Revolutionary War in any way, may join the Daughters of the American Revolution by accessing the following website,

www.riverauxsables.mich-dar.net. Men are also welcome through the SARs and children are also given membership through the CARs. That information is also available through the national website at <http://www.dar.org>.



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Organization Notes

Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce

The Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. Present: Judie Labadie, president; Jeanne Meskus, secretary; trustees Steve Ashford, Jim Pyne and Trudy Bohlinger; Paul Labadie, Sunrise Vacation Rentals; Fran Whitney, MichiganWorks!; Christy Holmes, Huron Community Bank; Barbara Pierce, Harrisville City Council; Joan Crick, Alcona Historical Society; Tim McCoy, Northland Area Federal Credit Union; Judy Pyne, Harrisville Arts Council; Richard Sella and Maureen Villalubos, Richard's Pharmacy. Absent: Treasurer Ed Foster and a vice president. Fran Whitney of Michigan Works! was added to the agenda. The minutes of the February 9 meeting were reviewed; motion to accept as corrected: P. Labadie/C. Holmes; carried. The minutes of the April 6 executive board meeting were reviewed; motion to accepted: J. Pyne/S. Ashford; carried.

J. Labadie presented treasurer Ed Foster's report: Checking - \$5,703.03; savings - \$6,529.93; fireworks - \$13,586.08; a total of \$25,819.08 in all accounts. Motion to accept: T. Bohlinger/J. Crick; carried. There are currently a total of 71 members.

- Texas Hold 'em - September 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19. Jim Pyne reports the license is being processed.

- Oktoberfest ~ A date for this event will be decided at a later date.

- Christmas in the Village ~ December 3. Two letters of interest have been received, responses have been made. Organization of this event begins in the month of August.

The Calendar of Events is being printed and should be ready on Monday, April 18.

We are currently working with the Economic Development Committee. The first joint event will be on Monday, May 16, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Senior Center, where Peter Pettalia will speak. Future events are being planned.

Fran Whitney of Michigan Works! is waiting to see what happens with all the budget cuts and is hopeful Michigan Works! will survive. She reported the Job/Education Fair did well. Fran also reported she can write contracts for employer reimbursement for an on-the-job training program. She noted that the trainee would have to be employed seven out of 12 months.

The 200-mile Garage Sale will take place on the last weekend of June. The Countywide Clean-up is scheduled for May, 21. The City-wide garage sale will take place on June 11. The Alcona Humane Society will take place on June 11. Alcona County Habitat for Humanity will hold its garage sale on 24 and 25 June 24 and 25.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m. by call of the president. The next general meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 11 at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

NOTICE OF ELECTION ALCONA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT ALCONA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

May 3, 2011

To the qualified electors of the School District:

Notice is hereby given that an election of the school district will be held on Tuesday, May 3 2011. The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Alcona School District will be electing two (2) members to the board of education of the district for a full term of four (4) years ending in 2015 and one (1) member to the board of education of the district for a partial term ending 6/30/2012.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT the following two (2) propositions will be submitted to the voters of the Alcona Community School District:

PROPOSITION 1

ALCONA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND OTHER PROPERTY EXEMPTED BY LAW 18 MILLS FOR 5 YEARS

PROPOSITION II

ALCONA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND OTHER PROPERTY EXEMPTED BY LAW 2.5 MILLS FOR 5 YEARS

Full text of ballot proposals can be obtained from the County Clerk's Office

I, Anna McCoy, Treasurer of Alcona County hereby certify that as of April, 13, 2011, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitations established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government effecting the taxable property located in Alcona Community School District, Alcona County, Michigan, are as follows:

County of Alcona	ACCOA	0.1250	MILLS	thru	2012	
	ACCOA	0.375	MILLS	thru	2015	
	HUNT	.1458	MILLS	thru	2011	
	LIBRARY	0.5000	MILLS	thru	2017	
	AMBULANCE	1.000	MILLS	thru	2013	
by Alcona Twp	FIRE	1.0000	MILLS	thru	2011	
	ROADS	1.00	MILLS	thru	2011	
	ROADS	0.5000	MILLS	thru	2013	
	FIRE	0.5000	MILLS	thru	2013	
by Caledonia Twp	FIRE	0.9931	MILLS	thru	2011	
	ROADS	1.0000	MILLS	thru	2015	
	ROADS	0.5000	MILLS	thru	2013	
by Gustin Twp	ROADS	1.9946	MILLS	thru	2015	
	FIRE	1.00	MILLS	thru	2011	
by Harrisville Twp	ROADS	1.5000	MILLS	thru	2012	
by Hawes Twp	ROADS	0.9432	MILLS	thru	2011	
	ROADS	1.0000	MILLS	thru	2013	
	FIRE	0.9432	MILLS	thru	2011	
by Haynes	ROADS	1.0000	MILLS	thru	2012	
by Mikado Twp	ROADS	2.0000	MILLS	thru	2014	
	FIRE	1.0000	MILLS	thru	2011	
by Millen Twp	FIRE	1.0000	MILLS	thru	2012	
	ROADS	1.0000	MILLS	thru	2013	
	ROADS	1.0000	MILLS	thru	2012	
City of Harrisville	WATER	1.4000	MILLS	thru	2029	
	BOND IM	2.8000	MILLS	thru	2047	
Alcona Comm Schools	BOND	1.3500	MILLS	thru	2016	
A-M-A ESD	CHARTER/SP ED	0.6425	MILLS	thru	N/A	
	SPECIAL ED	1.3318	MILLS	thru	2016	

Anna Mc Coy, Alcona County Treasurer

POLL LOCATIONS:


Precinct 1 - Voting Place: Gustin Township Hall, 113 S. 2nd, Lincoln, MI
Consists of all territory of the school district located within the boundaries of Millen, Gustin, Mikado, Hawes and Haynes Township

Precinct 2 - Voting Place: Caledonia Township Hall, Gillard Road, Spruce, MI
Consists of all territory of the school district located within the boundaries of Caledonia and Alcona Townships

Precinct 3 - Voting Place: Harrisville Township Hall, 114 S. Poor Farm Road, Harrisville, MI
Consists of all territory of the school district located within the boundaries of Harrisville Township and the City of Harrisville

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Then suddenly they were in flight and gone from view. "Well, I guess that's that...I wonder if they'll be back." Wil responded, "I'll keep an eye out for them, but they probably won't be back today." Wil was right, the ducks did not return that day.

Both Wil and I were up early the next morning wondering if we'd get another glimpse of the wood ducks. To our surprise, there were ducks in the pond...but this time it was a pair of hooded mergansers.

The Mrs. Hooded was ravenous and was under the water more than she was out. Mr. Hooded stayed close by her, but he spent most of his time preening and strutting to always show his finest feathers whenever she came up for air. He was courting and she was too hungry to care.

Unlike the Woods, the Hoodeds were not out on a house hunting mission as much as they were just trying to impress each other, she with her great diving skills and he with a puffed up ego.

It began to rain hard. The Hoodeds were thrilled with the weather and jetted along in the water waltzing, preening feathers and diving. They finally settled down on the far edge of the pond, happily floating near each other.

As the heavy rain abated, we looked out the window to see one of the most unusual sights we've seen from our dining room.

There on the edge of the pond were Mr. and Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Wood was raising a holy stink about the Hoodeds grazing around her pond. We not only had duck romances unfolding, we had a whole ducky soap opera with property wars going on in our back yard.

Mrs. Wood was incredibly upset. First she swam and then walked along the edge clucking loudly at the Hoodeds who, seemingly greatly intimidated, huddled close together, almost shivering, while Mrs. Wood encircled them clucking her disapproval. Mr. Wood flew up on top of Clarence's duck house as if to say they already had an accepted offer and there was no way they would be denied title to the property and grudgingly just stared down at the Hoodeds while his wife ranted on and on.

We were mesmerized by the sight and sat in quiet thought.

It wasn't all that long ago when Wil and I both began every morning by heading out of suburbia, fighting against heavy morning traffic to get to city life via a four lane span of heavily littered, dirty cement highway.

Back then we were busy dealing with our own growing families, our own starter homes, noisy neighbors and questioning our decisions about life choices while working endless hours for a man we didn't know and feeling much like the whole world was squawking at us in some way or another.

Now, instead of fighting through life, we have reached a point where we can spend a day watching life unfold. Instead of searching for the right place to raise our children, we now sit back comfortably and watch ducks search for a spot to start their family.

There are times when the life we now live seems almost dream like. I still can't believe we were lucky enough to have found a spot of heaven called Alcona.

"I wonder how the ducks met each other" I mused as I touched my husband's sleeve. Wil glanced at me over his glasses, "I doubt it was on Match.com," he quietly huffed (which is exactly how we met). "I bet they met while they were paying their bills." (Yes, we both groaned when I said that).

The Red Wings hockey game started shortly after that and within minutes of the first goal, both pairs of ducks were gone. "We sure know how to clear a pond!" Our enthusiasm for the Wings being in the playoffs was demonstrated when we blasted our car horns five times over the next few hours, once for each goal, and then one more time for winning the game.

Neither the Woods nor the Hoodeds returned on Sunday, but Mr. and Mrs. Mallard were scoping out our front pond.

Yep, spring is just ducky at the Weber house. Clarence would have been very pleased.

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

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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4	7	8	6	1	3	5	9	2
5	1	2	8	4	9	6	3	7
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NOTICE OF MAY 3rd, 2011 SPECIAL ELECTION KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND COOR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT OSCODA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a May 3rd, 2011 Special Election has been called to be held in the above named School Districts on the 3rd day of May, 2011, for the purpose of voting on the following:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER
KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD MEMBER
CRAWFORD-OSCODA-OGEMAW-ROSCOMMON
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

C.O.O.R. INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

SPECIAL EDUCATION MILLAGE PROPOSAL

This proposal will increase the levy by the intermediate school district of special education millage previously approved by the electors.

Shall the .6961 mill limitation (0.6961 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) on the annual property tax previously approved by the electors of C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District, Michigan (Currently reduced to .6329 mill as required by the Headlee amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963), for the education of students with a disability be increased by .5852 mill (\$0.5852 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation); the estimate of the revenue the intermediate school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2011 is approximately \$1,779,221 from local property taxes authorized herein?

_____YES _____NO

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION OF VOTED INCREASES FOR A UNIT
I, **WILLIAM KENDALL, TREASURER OF OSCODA COUNTY, MICHIGAN,** hereby certify that as of March 30th, 2011, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation. Established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in

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By the School Dist.			
-Fairview Area	Exempt PRE & QA & QF	18.0000 mills	12/14 expires
	Sinking Fund	1.0000 mills	12/12 expires
	Kirtland C. C. Operate	2.1093 mills	No Expiration
	C.O.O.R. Operate	.2530 mills	No Expiration
	Spec. Ed.	.6329 mills	No Expiration
	Spec. Ed.	.1171 mills	12/11 expires

Dated: March 30th, 2011: William Kendall, Oscoda County Treasurer

This Notice is given on behalf of the Board of Education, Kirtland Community College and C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District.

Jeri Winton,
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Dated: April 11th, 2011

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Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of April 10-16, 2011

64 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 1 Operate While Intoxicated; 1 Domestic; 2 Warrant; 1 Parole Violation.

Complaint Statistics

Traffic	10	Car/Deer	5
Property Damage Accident	2	General Assistance	4
False Alarm	9	Domestic	1
Animal	9	Patrol Check	2
Animal Neglect	1	Operate While Intoxicated	1
Well Being Check	2	Suspicious Vehicle	1
Miscellaneous	3	Attempt Burglary	3
Vehicle Identification Insp.	1	Harassment	3
Abandoned Vehicle	1	Warrant Arrest	2
Parole Violation	1	Civil	1
Overdose	1	Kennel Inspection	1

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	3	Caledonia	4	Curtis	2
Greenbush	10	Gustin	5	Harrisville	9
Hawes	3	Haynes	8	Mikado	7
Millen	2	Mitchell	0		
City of Harrisville 6		Village of Lincoln 5			

Field trips are highlight of birding festival

During a two day period attendees at the 2010 annual Tawas Pt. Birding Festival tallied a record 164 species. Most of those were observed during the series of field trips to various locations throughout the Oscoda and Tawas area. "I don't know if we can top that number this year or not," said Peggy Ridgway, local coordinator for the annual event.

The birding festival will be held May 12-15 in the communities of Tawas and Oscoda.

"Some of the most memorable moments happen in an instant out in the field. A brief glance of that rare or secretive bird is a once in a lifetime experience for many, and visitors treasure that memory for a long time," Ridgway said.

One of the more popular excursions involves the evening tour of Tuttle Marsh. "The trips for Thursday and Saturday nights are amazingly full already," said Wendy Tatar, program coordinator for Michigan Audubon. Encountering the dim light and nocturnal echoes of the marsh seem to awaken different senses. "Humans are more acutely aware of the sounds surrounding them and they must rely totally on these for species identification," Ridgway said.

Tour leaders help participants key into these identification factors and it adds a new dimension to the night field experience.

This year the Tawas Point tours have been divided into three distinct sections. Because the point is a location where many of the warblers and shorebirds pass through, festival planners decided that sectioning the point into three areas for tours, plus fewer people per tour, would have less impact on the birds as they rest and refuel during migration and navigate the land and shoreline.

"We are attempting to have minimal disturbance to wildlife during this critical time," Ridgway said. Much of the vegetation at the point is also fragile and important to wildlife protection and survival. "The less we disturb it, the better," she added.

Another repeated popular trip will be the Eagle Run hike. The views of the AuSable River will be on the tour schedule again this year. A new grasslands tour will be led by Matt Hegwood.

Basic pre-registration for festival (\$15) and is required for all trips. This includes festival button.

Tour participants must sign up separately for each trip as space is limited on all. Some tours require additional fees (\$10 per person for bus tours, \$5 for Tawas Point guided tours). Online pre-registration closes May 5. After that registration is \$25.

Additional information on other field trips offered during the four day event is available by logging onto www.tawas-birdfest.com or contacting Michigan Audubon at (517) 886-9144.

Area Church Directory

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church



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

Haynes Community Church

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

GREENBUSH COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

2430 S. State, Greenbush • 724-5264 • Pastor A. C. Caincross
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 Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.



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Harrisville United Methodist Church

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

New Life Lutheran Church (ELCA)



Sunday Worship & Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Hubbard Lake Rd.,
 3/4 mile south of White Pine National Golf Course
 Pastor Christina Bright Office 736-7816



Lincoln United Methodist Church

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



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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



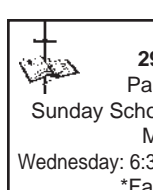
First Baptist Church of Lincoln

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

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



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



Our Savior Lutheran Church

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



Spruce Presbyterian Church

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

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 St. Raphael, Mikado, Saturday 4:30 p.m.
 St. Gabriel, Black River Saturday 6:30 p.m.
 Pastor: Fr. Robert Bissot • (989) 724-6713

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 Pastor Edward Morrison • Full Gospel
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
 Evening Service 6 p.m. • Family Bible Study 7 p.m. Wednesday

Calendar of Events

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be pampered with massage therapy, hair care, facial waxing and more. Educational booths offering information on a variety of health issues will be set up. Pre-registration is required and the cost is \$15 which includes lunch. For more information, call (989) 362-9404.

The Alcona County Emergency Management and Amateur Radio Group are sponsoring a free Skywarn Training Severe Weather Program at 6:30 p.m. at the EMS/EOC building on M-72. Event is open to the public - refreshments served - no registration required. For more information, call Stan at (989) 724-5550.

The Alcona varsity track team is holding a spaghetti dinner/bake sale fundraiser from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Alcona Elementary. Cost is \$5 per person.

FRIDAY, APRIL 29

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

Spend an evening at the Shoreline Players Theater with the cast of "Catfish Moon", a heart-warming comedy. Ticket cost is \$10 or Dinner and a Show tickets are \$25 available at Tait's Bill of Fare. Curtains open at 7:30 p.m. The theater is located next to the Robert Parks Library on the former air force base in Oscoda and is handicapped accessible.

The Huron Shores Chorus will perform a tribute to the tenth anniversary of 9/11 at 7 p.m. at the Oscoda Methodist Church.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

A benefit dinner and auction will be held for Candace Fulsher at the Mikado Civic Center. A dinner of all-you-can-eat spaghetti for \$5 per person will be served from 4 to 7 p.m. - live auction to follow. Donations may also be mailed for Candace in care of Kristin Hoffman, 2051 S. F-41, Mikado or may be picked up by calling Michelle at (989) 255-3098 or Sandy at (989) 335-5146.

The Alcona County sheriff's department will take back unwanted prescription drugs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the office, 214 W. Main St., Harrisville. This service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

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The Alcona County MSU Extension will sponsor the

annual "Let's Get Growing" garden show at the APlex, 701 Woodward Ave., Alpena from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call (989) 354-9870.

The Alcona Farmers Market will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the garage at the US-23 site.

The Alcona Conservation District will hold its 2011 Spring Tree Sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the garage behind the building located at 320 S. State Street (US-23). Fruit trees, hardwoods, conifers and small fruits will be

available.

The Twelfth Annual Family Fun Fair will be held at the Oscoda High School from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Families with young children are invited to attend free of charge. There will be crafts, activities, magic shows, face painting, door prizes, free lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and much more.

SUNDAY, MAY 1

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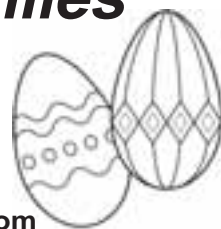
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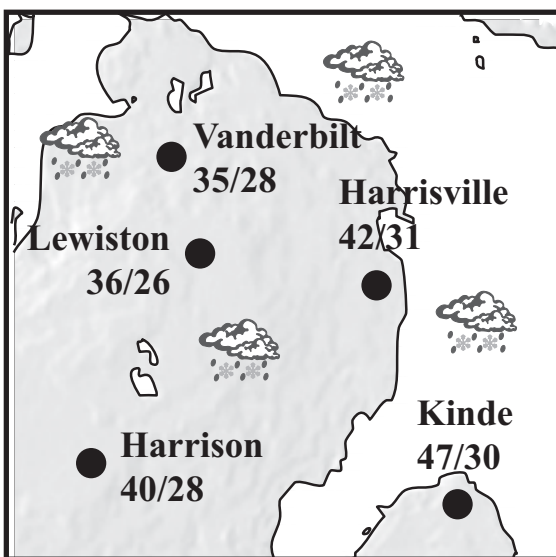
Alcona Review Weather Report

April 20, 2011

Seven Day Forecast

- WEDNESDAY**
Rain/Snow
High: 42 Low: 31
- THURSDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 41 Low: 32
- FRIDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 44 Low: 37
- SATURDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 47 Low: 34
- SUNDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 48 Low: 41
- MONDAY**
Mostly Sunny
High: 64 Low: 45
- TUESDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 60 Low: 44

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 70% chance of rain and snow, high temperature of 42°, humidity of 75%. North wind 15 to 25 mph. The record high temperature for today is 86° set in 1987. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 30% chance of rain and snow, overnight low of 31°. The record low for tonight is 20° set in 1988.

***Last Week's Almanac**

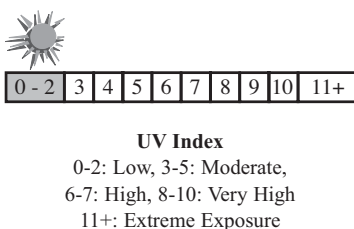
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
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Wednesday	65	23	49/29	0.00"
Thursday	50	27	50/30	0.00"
Friday	39	24	50/30	0.00"
Saturday	50	35	50/31	0.60"
Sunday	49	29	51/31	0.03"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	6:41 a.m.	8:24 p.m.	No Rise	8:05 a.m.
Thursday	6:39 a.m.	8:26 p.m.	12:03 a.m.	9:01 a.m.
Friday	6:37 a.m.	8:27 p.m.	1:01 a.m.	10:02 a.m.
Saturday	6:36 a.m.	8:28 p.m.	1:48 a.m.	11:08 a.m.
Sunday	6:34 a.m.	8:29 p.m.	2:26 a.m.	12:13 p.m.
Monday	6:33 a.m.	8:31 p.m.	2:57 a.m.	1:18 p.m.
Tuesday	6:31 a.m.	8:32 p.m.	3:23 a.m.	2:21 p.m.

Local UV Index



National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see scattered showers and thunderstorms today, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 81° in Baltimore, Md. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 90° in Winter Haven, Fla. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today, scattered rain Thursday, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Friday, with the highest temperature of 65° in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 91° in Gila Bend, Ariz.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	6:07 a.m.	6:49 p.m.
Venus	5:43 a.m.	5:37 p.m.
Mars	6:11 a.m.	6:56 p.m.
Jupiter	6:25 a.m.	7:24 p.m.
Saturn	6:36 p.m.	6:25 a.m.
Uranus	5:46 a.m.	5:52 p.m.

Weather History

April 20, 1989 - The temperature at Las Animas, Colo. soared to 100 degrees to establish a state record for April. Twenty-two cities in the central and southwestern United States reported record high temperatures for the date.

Weather Trivia

How strong were the peak winds in Hurricane Andrew?

Answer: The highest recorded peak gust was 169 mph.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Training Solar Time

True (apparent) solar time has been used as the basis for time-telling devices since ancient cultures employed it to create calendars for planting and harvesting. The ease of determining the sun's highest position in the sky always led to a precise measurement of solar noon and consequently, apparent solar time. However, it was only accurate for the exact longitude upon which the measurement was based. A few degrees to the east or west would change the local solar time. As railroading gained popularity in the British Isles in the early 1800's, east-west train schedules were forced to reflect local times as well as travel times, and it became almost impossible to merge the two into workable timetables. During this same era, ships were becoming faster, necessitating more accurate international maritime shipping schedules. Mariners began running into similar issues when calculating time based upon the moon's position while on the sea at night. In 1851, Sir George Airy, England's Astronomer Royal, established the Greenwich Meridian, zero degrees longitude, as the standard for measuring time. It became especially important to railroaders who accurately were able to base their timetables from Greenwich Mean Time instead of apparent solar time. By the 1880's, over two-thirds of the world's shippers were using the Greenwich Meridian as their standard. As its popularity grew, it was clear that an official system for time measurement was needed. This was established in October of 1884 when U.S. President Chester A. Arthur convened the International Meridian Conference in Washington to agree upon a time reference. The 41 delegates from 25 nations selected the Greenwich Meridian as the new international Prime Meridian due to its popularity of use. This is the standard that we still use today. This article was written for StarWatch by Rudy Garbely of Moravian College, Bethlehem, PA. www.astronomy.org

TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **ASTRONOMY:** The star called Rigel is part of which constellation?
2. **MYTHOLOGY:** What did the god Frey represent in Norse mythology?
3. **CHEMISTRY:** What gas has the chemical symbol of CH4?
4. **MOVIES:** Who directed "The Magnificent Ambersons" and "Touch of Evil"?
5. **HISTORY:** Who was the first English king to hold the title "Prince of Wales"?
6. **INVENTIONS:** What was the name of the first submarine commissioned by the U.S. Navy?
7. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Who drew the famous image of Uncle Sam proclaiming, "I Want You"?
8. **GEOGRAPHY:** To what island group in the Caribbean does St. Croix belong?
9. **LITERATURE:** Which writer's autobiography is called "Black Boy"?
10. **POLITICS:** Who was Adlai Stevenson's vice-presidential running mate in 1956?

Answers: 1. Orion; 2. Frey is the Norse god of fertility; 3. Methane; 4. Orson Welles; 5. Edward II; 6. U.S.S. Holland; 7. James Montgomery Flagg; 8. U.S. Virgin Islands; 9. Richard Wright; 10. Estes Kefauver. (c) 2011 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Big —</p> <p>4 "Stop, sailor!"</p> <p>9 James of "Misery"</p> <p>13 Swash-buckling novelist</p> <p>18 Grand — Opry</p> <p>19 Actress Berger</p> <p>20 Mournful music</p> <p>21 "F Troop" corporal</p> <p>22 Start of a remark by Milton Berle</p> <p>24 Mid-size band</p> <p>25 "Andrea —"</p> <p>26 Costa —</p> <p>27 "Family Feud" host</p> <p>29 Division word</p> <p>31 Aachen article</p> <p>32 Basilica feature</p> <p>34 Part 2 of remark</p> <p>38 TV's "General —"</p> <p>42 Like some sheep</p> <p>43 Part of HOMES</p> <p>44 Inclined</p> <p>45 Senator Thurmond</p> | <p>47 "Waking — Devine" ('98 film)</p> <p>49 Wee serving</p> <p>52 Composer Schifrin</p> <p>54 Circus performer</p> <p>57 Put on a pedestal</p> <p>61 Soft tissue</p> <p>63 Tangle</p> <p>64 Damage</p> <p>65 Actress Ward</p> <p>66 Baseball's Boudreau</p> <p>68 Enchilada alternative</p> <p>70 "Trinity" author</p> <p>72 Neighbor of Wyo.</p> <p>73 Obeys the dentist</p> <p>77 Part 3 of remark</p> <p>78 '80s Joe Penny</p> <p>80 Crank's comment</p> <p>81 Skater Lipinski</p> <p>82 Noun suffix</p> <p>84 Sundown, to Shelley</p> <p>85 Actor Arkin</p> <p>87 See 106 Across</p> <p>88 "Love Train" group</p> <p>91 Thick of things</p> <p>95 Denizen</p> | <p>97 Geological phenomenon</p> <p>99 The Chipmunks, e.g.</p> <p>100 Comic Carvey</p> <p>101 Galena, for one</p> <p>103 —ski party</p> <p>105 Priest's robe</p> <p>106 With 87 Across, type of liqueur</p> <p>109 Merit</p> <p>112 — blanket</p> <p>114 Part 4 of remark</p> <p>118 Well-informed</p> <p>119 "So that's your game!"</p> <p>120 Nonflowering plant</p> <p>121 "The Addams Family" uncle</p> <p>125 Does Little work</p> <p>128 Croc's kin</p> <p>131 Chateau valley</p> <p>133 End of remark</p> <p>135 Wear away</p> <p>136 Computer key</p> <p>137 "The Lady —" ('79 film)</p> <p>138 Child welfare org.</p> <p>139 Rock's Meisner</p> | <p>140 Stocking stuffers?</p> <p>141 Dispositions</p> <p>142 "The Bells" monogram</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Physicist Niels</p> <p>2 "The Time Machine" people</p> <p>3 English port</p> <p>4 Simile center</p> <p>5 Feud</p> <p>6 Novelist Seton</p> <p>7 Pack</p> <p>8 Homeric characters</p> <p>9 Pres. Clinton, e.g.</p> <p>10 Performer</p> <p>11 Actor's actor?</p> <p>12 Irritate</p> <p>13 Rigoletto, to Gilda</p> <p>14 Actor Tognazzi</p> <p>15 — Gras</p> <p>16 Sharon of Israel</p> <p>17 Trap</p> <p>20 "Tiny Bubbles" singer</p> <p>23 Comics' "Andy —"</p> <p>28 He gives a hoot</p> <p>30 "— the fields we go . . ."</p> <p>33 Slangy sib</p> | <p>35 Ain't right?</p> <p>36 Extensive</p> <p>37 Toast start</p> <p>38 Grapefruit serving</p> <p>39 October birthstone</p> <p>40 Curved lines</p> <p>41 Forsaken</p> <p>46 Ditch under a drawbridge</p> <p>48 Object</p> <p>50 Change for the better</p> <p>51 Brawl</p> <p>53 Sonja Henie's birthplace</p> <p>55 Acts like an ass?</p> <p>56 Spirits</p> <p>58 Amritsar attire</p> <p>59 Nonsense</p> <p>60 Smidgen</p> <p>62 Throw a party</p> <p>67 Custom</p> <p>69 Message board?</p> <p>71 Goblet part</p> <p>73 Lost luster</p> <p>74 — apso</p> <p>75 Gray or Moran</p> <p>76 — Domingo</p> <p>79 "What's — for me?"</p> <p>80 Candy quantity</p> <p>83 Spotted rodent</p> <p>86 Belarusian city</p> | <p>89 Puppy protests</p> <p>90 Withered</p> <p>92 Downspout</p> <p>93 Bank deposit?</p> <p>94 "Twelfth Night" role</p> <p>96 Spanish surrealist</p> <p>97 Equipment</p> <p>98 Happened again</p> <p>102 Heal a rift</p> <p>104 Eat in the evening</p> <p>107 Right — the bat</p> <p>108 A hole near the sole</p> <p>110 Allude (to)</p> <p>111 Dundee denial</p> <p>113 Loud laugh</p> <p>114 Bet</p> <p>115 "Pal Joey" author</p> <p>116 Boca —, FL</p> <p>117 Maine town</p> <p>122 Willow</p> <p>123 Baseball's Martinez</p> <p>124 Spanish river</p> <p>126 "I could — horse!"</p> <p>127 Break suddenly</p> <p>129 Eccentric</p> <p>130 Curious George's creator</p> <p>132 Musical syllables</p> <p>134 Pitches</p> |
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MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

• On May 7, 1896, Dr. H.H. Holmes, one of America's first well-known serial killers, is hanged to death in Philadelphia. Although not as well known as Jack the Ripper, authorities discovered the remains of more than 200 victims on Holmes' property.

• On May 6, 1937, the airship Hindenburg, the largest dirigible ever built and the pride of Nazi Germany, bursts into flames upon touching its mooring mast in Lakehurst, N.J., killing 36 passengers and crewmembers. The lighter-than-air craft was lifted by highly flammable hydrogen gas.

• On May 5, 1945, in Lakeview, Ore., Mrs. Elsie Mitchell and five neighborhood children are killed while attempting to drag a Japanese balloon out of the woods. Unbeknownst to Mitchell and the children, the balloon was armed, and it exploded soon after they began tampering with it.

• On May 3, 1952, a ski-modified U.S. Air Force C-47 piloted by Lt. Col. Joseph O. Fletcher of Oklahoma and Lt. Col. William P. Benedict of California becomes the first aircraft to land on the North Pole. A moment later, Fletcher climbed out of the plane and walked to the exact geographic North Pole, probably the first person in history to do so.

• On May 4, 1965, San Francisco Giants outfielder Willie Mays hits his 512th career home run to break Mel Ott's National League record for home runs. Mays would finish his career with 660 home runs, good for third on the all-time list at the time of his retirement.

• On May 2, 1972, after nearly five decades as director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, J. Edgar Hoover dies just as the Watergate affair is about to explode onto the national stage. An inquiry later revealed that the FBI had illegally protected President Richard Nixon from investigation.

• On May 8, 1988, Stella Nickell is convicted of murder by a Seattle jury. She was the first person to be found guilty of violating the Federal Anti-Tampering Act after putting cyanide in Excedrin capsules in an effort to kill her husband. She began planning his death after their 1976 honeymoon.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• It was American novelist and editor Edgar Watson Howe who made the following sage observation: "Americans detest all lies except lies spoken in public or printed lies."

• Those who study such things say that ancient Egyptians had bowling alleys.

• In 1980 a woman named Rosie Ruiz appeared to have won the Boston Marathon in the fastest time ever recorded for a woman in that race. However, after a number of suspicions surfaced (including a strange lack of fatigue at the end of the long race), it was found that she hadn't actually run the entire race and was stripped of her medal. The tale doesn't end there, though. Once word got out about her fraud, people came forward with information regarding her recent running of the New York Marathon. It seems that Ms. Ruiz started the race and then took the subway to a spot 2 miles from the finish line. And in a further note, she didn't come to a good end: Two years later she was arrested for embezzling \$60,000 from her employer, and she was later arrested again for allegedly trying to sell two kilos of cocaine to a Miami police officer.

• If you're afraid of lightning, you might want to skip over this next tidbit: At any given time around the world, there are 1,800 thunderstorms taking place.

• You may have heard that the air that leaves your body when you sneeze can reach speeds of up to 115 mph, but you may not know that ordinary exhalations travel at about 15 mph.

Thought for the Day: "When a man says he approves of something in principle, it means he hasn't the slightest intention of putting it into practice." — Otto von Bismarck

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

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Spring savings

DOLLARS AND SENSE
by David Uffington

Spring is a great time to do repairs and preventative maintenance on your vehicle and home, and to save money in other ways, too. Here are some ideas:

Car maintenance: If you live in a snow area, run your vehicle through a car wash that includes under-carriage spray to remove road salts and avoid corrosion. Schedule a tune-up and oil change. Make sure fluids are topped off and tires are at the right air pressure. Invest in a small tube of car paint (get this from your dealer for an accurate match) to cover any dings or scrapes.

House: Compare heating bills from this recent winter and winters past. While the prices might have changed, you can compare your actual usage. If your heat usage went up this winter, consider why. If you have an older home, you might be in line for more attic insulation before next winter. While up in the attic to check insulation depth, use a flashlight to look at the plywood roofing, and around vents and eaves: Are there any signs of water leaks?

If you had window drafts, you might find sales on new windows over the summer. At the very least, put caulking on your list of things to do.

Walk around the house and check for any winter damage to siding and the roof. Don't forget the foundation.

If you need repair work you can't do yourself, get estimates early, as summer is the busiest construction season.

Children: Scout charity and thrift shops for children's summer play clothes. If you find bargains on items they can wear to school in the fall (and if you're sure of sizes), select a few outfits to get them started and avoid last-minute shopping panic.

Local summer day camps can be an economical way to let your children experience camp without going too far from home. Investigate camps sponsored by the YMCA and local church and youth groups. Inquire about low-income scholarships, if you qualify, and sign up early before all the slots are filled.

If you're hoping for a family vacation this year, check a new book called "The Complete Idiot's Guide to the Best Family Destinations." In spite of the title, the publication is packed with information on vacation spots in the U.S., Canada and Mexico, including beaches, outdoor adventures, historical sites, amusement parks and much more.

David Uffington regrets that he cannot personally answer reader questions, but will incorporate them into his column whenever possible. Write to him in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mail to columnreply@gmail.com.

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VA Health System software upgrade

VETERANS POST
by Freddy Groves

It's been called VistA, which stands for Veterans Integrated System Technology Architecture, and it is the backbone of the electronic health record system for the Department of Veterans Affairs. VistA has allowed health-care providers to read and update a patient's records with just a few keystrokes. It can keep track of prescriptions and tests ordered by any VA medical facility, keep special diets straight, handle nursing notes and improve overall efficiency. Veterans who wish to sign up can get prescription refills ordered online, access their records and send messages to their health team.

It's part of the Open Source Electronic Health Record, and the VA wants to update it.

Therefore the VA has taken the initial steps to award "custodial services" to put an open-source version of VistA in all its many facilities and to upgrade the software. In tech-talk, "open source" means that the software itself is out there in the public domain, and the VA is hoping that others will create comple-

mentary software that will work with VistA. The custodial agent will be the gatekeeper through which all new parts and pieces flow.

Dr. Peter Levin, adviser to the secretary and chief technology officer of the VA, described in a long article the "13,000 kinds of medical diagnoses, 6,000 medicines, and 4,000 possible procedures" necessary for them to practice medicine. He says that opening up the source code can "ensure cyber security by exposing code to large communities of technical reviewers." He concludes that "vendors will have a clear path to the enormous federal healthcare IT market."

Are you nervous yet?

Inquiring minds want to know how these "custodians" will be selected, and what criteria they'll use to "ensure" the cyber security of the information that the software will handle.

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(All Counties)

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

Mortgage Sale – Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jason Livingston and Linda Livingston, husband and wife of Alcona County, Michigan, mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated the 13th day of April, A.D. 2006, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 25th day of April, A.D. 2006, in Liber 430, page 251 of Alcona County records, which said mortgage was assigned to US Bank National Association, ND, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$79,632.99 (seventy-nine thousand six hundred thirty-two and 99/100) plus accrued interest at 8.99 percent (eight point nine nine) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover

the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 18th day of May, A.D., 2011, at 10 a.m. said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Mich., Alcona County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the township of Hawes, in the county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the township of Hawes, county of Alcona and state of Michigan: Commencing at the southeast corner of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 28, Town 27 North, Range 8 East, thence north 18 rods; thence west 19 rods; thence south 18 rods; thence east 19 rods to the point of beginning. Subject to an easement over the above described property for ingress, egress and utility purposes over an existing roadway which commences off of Ritchie Road and continues

in a northerly direction to other property owned by the grantor. Said roadway is approximately 12 feet in width to benefit the balance of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter that is retained by the grantor. Said easement will be binding upon the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties. Being the same property conveyed to Jason Livingston and Linda Livingston from Helen Marentette, a single woman by quit claim deed dated September 10, 2002 and recorded January 16, 2003 in Liber 375 page 898 in the office of the recorder of Alcona County. Commonly known as: 1461 E. Ritchie Road. Tax Parcel No.: 01-071-028-400-019-00.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: April 20, 2011
By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)
Attorney for Plaintiff
2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48084
WWR No. 10047639
4-20, 4-27, 5-4, 5-11

HARRISVILLE TWP. MINUTES

The Harrisville Township Board's monthly meeting was held April 12 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Trustee Pyne substituting in supervisor Stone's absence opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Also present, board members Jamieson, Johnston, Young and 10 guests. No comments from the floor. Johnston/Young: To approve the clerk's minutes as read. Motion carried. Jamieson/Young: To accept the treasurer's two month report. Motion carried. Alan Shillair approached the meeting with a request for support of the school millage renewal May 3. Harrisville City and Township Fire Department Chief Scott Griffith briefed the board. A first responder vehicle has been found and is in the process of purchasing. The pumper should be fixed to come up to the state's requirement. Recommended a new volunteer fire fighter. Jamieson/Johnston: To accept Robert Novack as a volunteer

fire fighter, pending passing his physical. Motion carried.

Two members from Alcona Local Food Association (ALFA) met with the board to clarify some of the issues in the use of the Harrisville Township Recreation Area (HTRA) site. Most issues resolved. Commissioner William Thompson updated the meeting on the county happenings and the County-Wide Clean-up. Pyne/Young: To support the May 21, 16th Alcona County-Wide Clean-up in the amount of \$1,000. Motion carried.

Discussed at length the bids for maintenance of the Springport and Westlawn cemeteries, with a motion by Pyne/Johnston: To accept the bid from Lincoln Sand & Gravel for a two year contract contingent on meeting the insurance requirement. If not met, bid will go to Haglund Landscaping and Lawn Service. Roll call vote: four ayes, zero nays,

one absent. Motion carried.

Johnston/Jamieson: To renew the four annual agenda items as follows: 1. To continue with David Cook P.C. as the Harrisville Township attorney for the fiscal year 2011-2012. 2. To continue with Huron Community Bank as Harrisville Township's primary depositor. 3. To continue to assist township residents with dust control (75 percent of cost up to \$150 per season). 4. That the township monthly board meetings will continue being the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Motions carried.

Johnston/Pyne: To support May as Social Host Liability Awareness month. Motion carried. Young/Pyne: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Roger D. Jamieson
Township Clerk

Published prior to board approval.

CURTIS TWP. ORDINANCE

Township of Curtis Ordinance Amendment No. 1-2011

Effective Date: April 14, 2011

Ordinance establishing moratorium on the issuance of permits or license for the sale or dispensation of medical marijuana.

Because, the sale of or dispensation of medical marijuana was not envisioned when the current zoning ordinance was adopted and the zoning ordinance does not currently address the use; and Because, processing land use permit requests for land uses associated with the sale or dispensation of medical marijuana prior to the amendment of the zoning ordinance would be detrimental to the public health, safety and welfare and would not ensure that the use is situated in appropriate locations and relationships; and Because, the township desires to ascertain the best and safest path to comply with the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act, P.A. 2008, Initiated Law MCL26423 (d) and the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

Because, the township board wishes there to be further study and the preparation of an ordinance in the very near future; and Because, the township board determines that it is desirable to immediately forbid the issuance of permits and licenses for land uses associated with the sale or dispensation of medical marijuana until an amendment to the zoning ordinance becomes effective; and,

Because, the township of Curtis has the authority to enact ordinances immediately that are necessary for the preservation for the public health, peace or safety based upon the date of introduction and give them immediate effect and the township board determines that the following ordinance satisfies that requirement;

The township of Curtis ordains as follows: (1) A moratorium is established on the issuance of all township permits, licenses and approvals, including building permits, land use permits, and certificates of occupancy, in regard to land uses associated with the sale or dispensation of medical marijuana from the effective date hereof, until April 14, 2011 or the effective date of the adoption of proper text amendments to

the zoning ordinance and any necessary licensing requirements, whichever occurs first.

(2) All township boards and commissions are asked and authorized to give their analysis and recommendations regarding a zoning ordinance or licensing regulation concerning the sale and dispensation of medical marijuana top priority.

(3) This ordinance shall be given immediate effect.

I hereby certify the above ordinance amendment was introduced, enacted and given immediate effect on April 14, 2011 at a regular meeting of the Curtis Township Board by a vote of Yes: five, No: zero at the Curtis Township Hall, Glennie, Mich.

James E. Mac McCormick
Supervisor
Teresa J. Perkins
Township Clerk

I hereby certify that a notice of adoption of the above ordinance amendment was published in the Alcona County Review, a weekly newspaper published in Alcona County on April 20, 2011.

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CALEDONIA TWP. MINUTES

The regular Caledonia Township Board meeting on April 13 was called to order by Supervisor Brown with the pledge to the flag. All board present and six citizens. Absent zoning administrator Nancy Beck. Motion to approve agenda. Motion to approve the minutes of March 9. Correspondence read from: MDOT meeting April 18 in Gaylord, Mich., Catholic Human Services, Alcona County Chapter meeting April 19. Motion to pay the bills. Motion to place treasurer's report on file. Planning Commission report: H. Freigruber will draft a revision for special uses and districts for review. K. Vichunas will e-mail revision for medical marijuana dispensaries for review. Shawn Thornton, superintendent of Alcona Community Schools, spoke to the board about the May 3 school election that will have two proposals on the ballot. First is the 18 mil non homestead renewal and the second being the Headlee override 2.5 renewal.

The revenue generated by these two proposals amounts to 65 percent of the total school annual budget. Gail reported that the waterways service agreement with DNR has not been finalized yet. Motion to approve C & S Dust Control agreement paying \$40 per resident or 50 percent of up to 300 feet (\$114) worth of dust control provided per parcel. Rates: \$76 per 100 ft. x 22 ft. Resolution that we, Caledonia Township, proclaim May 2011 as Social Host Liability Month. We also call upon all citizens, homeowners and property owners to host gatherings responsibly and take measures to eliminate access of alcohol to person under the age of 21. Five ayes, zero nays. Motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. All motions at the meeting were passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Our next meeting is May 11. Planning commission meets May 2. Website is: Caledoniatwp.net.
 Helen Timm, Clerk

MITCHELL TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

The Mitchell Township Board meeting was called to order on April 11 at 7 p.m. by supervisor Murnock. Members present: Supervisor Gregory Murnock, clerk Warren Cross, treasurer Kevin Small and trustee Linda Lay. Members absent: Trustee Vito Soranno. Public presence: Lindsay Smolinski. Minutes of March 8 special called meeting approved as presented. Minutes of March 14 special called meeting approved as presented. Minutes of March 14 regular meeting approved as presented. March 2011 financial reports approved as presented. Cross/Murnock: To appoint David H. Cook as Mitchell Township legal counsel and to authorize a retainer in the amount of \$500. Roll call vote: Aye - Cross, Murnock, Small, Lay. Nay - none. Absent - Soranno. Motion carried. Public Comments: Lindsay Smolinski from Allband Communications Cooperative was present to update the board regarding the stimulus monies the cooperative has received and to share the proposed expansion of the company's service area. She also requested that the board renew the cooperative's METRO Act Right-of-Way Permit. Lay/Cross: To extend Allband Communications Cooperative's METRO Act Right-of-Way Permit to end on November 8, 2015. Motion carried. Fire chief Lay reported one medi-

cal run and two fire runs for March. The zoning administrator's report was accepted as filed. The Trask Lake Road project in Millen Township has been approved by the Millen Township Board. Murnock/Lay: To enter into an agreement with the Alcona County Road Commission for Mitchell Township's portion of the Trask Lake Road project at a cost not to exceed \$19,935.15. Roll call vote: Aye - Lay, Small, Cross, Murnock. Nay - none. Absent: Soranno. Motion carried. The public accuracy test, for the May 3 election, will be held at 4:15 p.m. on April 25. A sample ballot of the school election was distributed. Supervisor Murnock and clerk Cross shared various communications. Cross/Murnock: To proclaim May 2011 as Social Host Liability Awareness Month. Motion carried. Cross/Small: To authorize the supervisor's attendance at the Michigan Township Association (MTA) regional meeting on May 16 at Garland Lodge and Resort in Lewiston, Mich. at a cost of \$89. Motion carried. New business - Murnock/Lay: To authorize Sanford Builders to construct and plumb a 48 inch shower at the fire hall in the amount of \$2,400. Motion carried. Murnock/Small: To authorize Sanford Builders to install soffit, fascia, and siding on the gable ends of the fire hall, including needed repair, in the amount of \$2,500. Motion carried. There being no further business to come before the board supervisor Murnock called for adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m. The next regular meeting is May 9 at 7 p.m.
 Gregory C. Murnock, Sr.
 Supervisor
 Warren Cross
 Clerk

ALCONA TWP. SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township's April board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Carlin at 7 p.m. with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: Carlin, LaLonde, Gauthier, MacNeill and Mead. Clerk's minutes and treasurer's report was filed. Motions to pay bills as presented, to sign a contract with C & S Dust Control to pay 100 percent of first application of dust control on public roads, to support Alcona County Road Commission on their efforts to secure state and federal funding from the local bridge program, to proclaim May as Social Host Awareness month. All motions passed.
 Dawn LaLonde, Clerk
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SALES

Garage sale-moving sale, a little bit for everyone, two dining room sets, April 22-23, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; 3031 Richland Drive, Lincoln.

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GREENBUSH TWP. MINUTES

Greenbush Township Supervisor Ed Roddy called meeting to order on Tuesday, April 5 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Ten guests were present who joined in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call was taken. Present: Supervisor Ed Roddy, clerk Art Winter, treasurer Tracie Beatty (excused), Kim Lingo, deputy, trustee Sally Olin and trustee Gary Abraham. Motion Olin/Abraham: To approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion Olin/Abraham: To accept the March minutes as written. Motion carried. Resident Lee Major questioned the stakes on Cedar Lake Road. Supervisor Roddy stated the stakes are for the resurfacing of Cedar Lake Road which, "hopefully," will be started this year, if not next year. When started, it will only go past Thayer as far as the asphalt will go. Some discussion. Motion Winter/Olin: To approve the financial report and place on file for audit. Motion carried. Motion Olin/Abraham: To approve budget amendment No. 2011-2012.02. Roll call vote: all ayes - Beatty absent. Carried. Motion Olin/Abraham: To pay February bills as presented - check numbers 14037-14071 - grand total: \$20,914.19; fire - \$5,761.67; remainder - \$15,152.52 being general fund. Roll call vote: All ayes - Beatty absent. Carried. Motion Abraham/Olin: To approve the 2011-2012 budget as presented at the budget hearing held March 1 at the township hall. Roll call vote: All ayes - Beatty absent. Motion approved. Representatives from the Allband Communications Cooperative Company explained their company and how they are setting up service mainly in Mikado and a bit of Greenbush with fiber optics for telephone and internet. Much discussion. Miscellaneous reports: Carolyn Brummund, county commissioner, brought the board up to

speed on what is happening at the county. Countywide Clean-up will be May 21 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Some discussion. Chief Franks stated four first responder calls for the month of February and one fire call. Some discussion. Pete Langlois, zoning administrator, back in action and has already had calls pertaining to zoning. Some discussion. Hall rentals - Supervisor Roddy stated one this month. Assessor Schwickert stated 20 protests, there were four changes. The assessed value in Greenbush went down \$1,000,000. Some discussion. Sally Olin, GRAC Chairperson, stated that the committee is looking for volunteers to assist in putting together paperwork and a grant to try and purchase the old Greenbush Tavern property and turn it into a township park. If interested please contact any board member. Some discussion. Supervisor Roddy had correspondence that he shared with the board from the Census Bureau pertaining to correctness of flood plains. Supervisor Roddy read the Truth In Taxation letter dated March 1. Clerk Winter had correspondence he shared with the board, MTA on the road. A challenge for workman's comp. Some discussion. Pending business: Roads - We have given our blessings to finish F-30 and preliminary work on Cedar Lake Road. Some discussion. Prince Drive will have to have a public hearing and renew the mileage in the near future. Motion Winter/Olin: To adjourn at 8:10 p.m.
 Art Winter
 Greenbush Township Clerk
 Note: Published prior to board approval. Next regular meeting is Tuesday, May 3 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Next regular scheduled planning commission meeting is Thursday, May 5 at 7 p.m. at the township hall.

RN and CNAs all shifts, apply at Jamieson Nursing Home, 790 South US-23, Harrisville.

Accepting applications for summer employment; 2-6 Wednesday-Sunday at Old Place Inn, Main Street, Harrisville. No phone calls.

Flooring installer needed in Alpena area, minimum five years experience, references required, pay commensurate with experience. Please send resume to: Alcona County Review, P.O. Box 548, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 Attention: Drawer A.

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

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

WANTED TO BUY

Lewiston Forest Service is buying standing timber, all species, to prices paid, twenty acre minimum, (989) 350-8772.

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Notice of Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Gary D. Lee to Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, whose address is 1100 South Bagley Street, Alpena, Michigan 49707.

The mortgage is dated October 31, 2008 and recorded in Alcona County records on November 7, 2008 at Liber 456, page 1,369, Alcona County records.

There is claimed to be due on the mortgage at the date of this notice, for principal, interest, and other items paid as allowed by the mortgage, the sum of one hundred thirty-three thousand two hundred eighty-two and 03/100 (\$133,282.03) and no proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt secured thereby. The power of sale contained in the mortgage has now become operative.

Notice is hereby given that, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage and pursuant to the applicable foreclosure statute, the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property described below at public auction to the highest bidder at the Alcona County Courthouse located at 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Michigan 48740 on Wednesday, May 11, 2011 at 10 a.m. The property will be sold to pay the amount due on the mortgage with 5.875 percent interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes and insurance that the mortgagee pays on or before the date of sale.

The property described in the mortgage and subject to sale is as follows: Parcel A of Certificate of Survey by NorthEast Land Surveys, W.O. No. B 060060-232508 dated May 23, 2006 and recorded July 11, 2008 in Liber 454, pages 122-123, described as: Part of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of

Section 23, Town 25 North, Range 8 East, described as: Commencing at the south quarter corner of Section 23, Town 25 North, Range 8 East; thence North 03° 14' 32" east along west line of southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of said section 602.04 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing north 03° 14' 32" east 716.17 feet; thence south 86° 52' 42" east along north line of said southwest quarter of the southeast quarter 1280.20 feet; thence south 02° 56' 25" west 33.00 feet; thence south 86° 52' 42" east 33.00 feet; thence south 02° 56' 25" west along east line of said southwest quarter of the southeast quarter 1286.19 feet; thence north 86° 50' 09" west along south line of said section and centerline of Goddard Road 920.15 feet; thence north 06° 48' 22" east 205.61 feet; thence north 30° 41' 40" east 117.07 feet; thence north 03° 14' 32" east 293.03 feet; thence north 86° 50' 09" west 466.75 feet to the point of beginning. Being subject to the rights of the public over the southerly 33 feet thereof for Goddard Road. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right-of-way purposes. Being in Mikado Township, Alcona County, Michigan.

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

Dated: April 1, 2011
Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union,
Mortgagee
Daniel W. White
Attorney for Mortgagee
313 North Second Avenue
Alpena, MI 49707
(989) 354-4104
4-6, 4-13, 4-20, 4-27, 5-4

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This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Edwin Peterson, single man, as his sole and separate property to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns, mortgagee, dated January 10, 2006 and recorded January 23, 2006 in Liber 427 page 344 Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: CitiMortgage, Inc., by assignment dated December 31, 2010 and recorded January 11, 2011 in Liber 476, page 195, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of sixty-nine thousand five hundred fifty-one dollars and thirty-three cents (\$69,551.33) including interest six percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, circuit court of Alcona County at 10 a.m. on May 18, 2011.

Said premises are situated in township of Gustin, Alcona County, Michigan, and

are described as: The southeast one-quarter of the southwest one-quarter of Section 14, Town 26 North, Range 8 East; except beginning at the southwest corner of said southeast one-quarter of the southwest one-quarter; thence north 466.7 feet along the west line of said southeast one-quarter of the southwest one-quarter; thence east parallel to the south line of said Section 14, 466.7 feet; thence south 466.7 feet to the south line of said Section 14; thence west 466.7 feet along the south line of Section 14 to the point of beginning. Township of Gustin, Alcona County, Michigan. Commonly known as 2219 East Dewar Road, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 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: April 20, 2011
CitiMortgage, Inc., Assignee of Mortgagee
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Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
File No: 10-33946
ASAP No. FNMA3971187
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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven M. Doucette, a single person, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, mortgagee, dated June 30,

2010, and recorded on July 1, 2010 in Liber 471 on Page 819, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of eighty-four thousand two hundred fifty-five and 39/100 dollars (\$84,255.39), including interest at 5.25 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said 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 May 18, 2011.

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Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brad Lee Wassmann and Heidi A. Wassmann, husband and wife (collectively, mortgagor), to Greenstone Farm Credit Services, FLCA, a federally chartered corporation, having an office at 3515 West Road, East Lansing, Michigan 48823 (the mortgagee), dated July 3, 2007, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, Michigan on July 6, 2007, as Instrument No. 200700002210 or Liber 443, page 806 (the mortgage). By reason of such default, the mortgagee elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of the mortgage due and payable forthwith.

As of the date of this notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on the mortgage the sum of two hundred thirty eight thousand five hundred eighty two and 87/100 dollars

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As a debt collector we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify us if you are in active military duty. Mortgage sale - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Matthew Niemann and Tami Niemann, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Argent Mortgage Company LLC, mortgagee, dated the 28th day of February, 2006 and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 10th day of March, 2006 in Liber 428 of Alcona County records, page 921, said mortgage having been assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Argent Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-W4 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of one hundred ten thousand eight hundred sixty two and 68/100 (\$110,862.68), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Said premises are situated in Township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the NW-1/4 of the NW-1/4 of Section 6, Town 26 North, Range 9 East described as commencing at the northeast corner thereof: thence west on the north section line 132.0 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing west on said line 198.0 feet; thence south parallel with the north-south 1/4 line 330.0 feet; thence west parallel with the east-west 1/4 line 330.0 feet: thence south 330.0 feet parallel to the north-south 1/4 line; thence east parallel to the east-west 1/4 line 660.0 feet; thence north parallel to the north-south 1/4 line 430.0 feet; thence west

(\$238,582.87). No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by the mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay the above amount, with interest, as provided in the mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, the mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public venue to the highest bidder at the west entrance to the County Courthouse in Harrisville, Michigan on Wednesday, April 27, 2011, at 10 a.m. in the forenoon.

The premises covered by the mortgage are situated in the township of Mikado, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, and are described as follows: The south 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 22, T25N, R8E, except a parcel commencing at the west 1/4 corner of Section 22, T25N, R8E; thence N 00°01'58" west along the west

on which mortgage there is a claim to be due and owing on the date of this notice the sum of one hundred thirteen thousand two hundred forty and 42/100 (\$113,240.42) plus interest, costs and attorney fees incurred from January 5, 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 venue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Courthouse in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. on May 25, 2011.

Said premises are situated in the township of Harrisville, county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Parcel 1- Commencing at the intersection of the west line of the west half (W-1/2) of the east half (E-1/2) of the northeast quarter (NE-1/4) of Section

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of May, 2011 at 10 o'clock a.m. local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan (that being the building where the circuit court for the county of Alcona is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 2.0 percent per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the township

parallel with the east-west section line 132.0 feet; thence north parallel with the north-south 1/4 line 230.0 feet to the point of beginning.

And commencing at the northeast corner of the south -1/2 of the northwest -1/4 of the northwest -1/4 of Section 6, Town 26 North, Range 9 East; thence west 40 rods: thence south 20 rods; thence east 40 rods; thence north 20 rods to the point of beginning.

And commencing at the northeast corner of Section 6, Town 26 North, Range 9 East; thence west 132 feet: thence south 230 feet: thence east 132 feet; thence north 230 feet to the point of

line of said section and centerline of Cruzen Road so-called, 400.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing N 00°01'58" west along said line, 250.00 feet; thence N 89°58'02" east, 300.00 feet; thence S 00°01'58" east, 250.00 feet; thence S 89°58'02" west, 300.00 feet to the point of beginning. Together with all fixtures, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances belonging or in any way appertaining to the premises. Commonly known as: 3715 Cruzen Road, Mikado, Michigan 48745. P.P. No. 01-091-022-200-040-00.

Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be one (1) year from the date of sale.

Dated: March 30, 2011
Greenstone Farm Credit Services, FLCA
Mortgagee

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15, T26N, R9E and the southerly line of highway M-72; thence south 0 deg. 27' west along the east 1/8 line 175 feet; thence south 85 deg. 52' east 120 feet; thence north 0 deg. 27' east 175 feet to the southerly line of M-72; thence north 85 deg. 52' west along said southerly line 120 feet to the point of beginning. Except highway M-72 right of way. Being located in the township of Harrisville.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948 MCL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated this 5th day of April, 2011
For more information, please call: David H. Cook

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of Greenbush, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: Lot 46, Huron Pines Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 187 of Alcona County records.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: April 13, 2011
Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Argent Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-W4

Mortgagee
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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: April 20, 2011
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<p>'08 GMC Acadia</p>  <p>Stock #U44192 \$22,995 \$350 per month</p>	<p>'05 Chevy Uplander</p>  <p>Stock #U44214 \$9,995 \$159 per month</p>	<p>'04 Chevy Silverado 1500</p>  <p>Stock #U44218 \$9,995 \$193 per month</p>	<p>'06 Chevy Impala</p>  <p>Stock #PO44319 \$9,995 \$159 per month</p>
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