



Signs of spring are popping up all over northeastern Michigan despite the snow flurries and cold temperatures that keep persisting. *Photos by Al Broadwood.*



## Appeals court: County can't recoop bonds on Katona embezzlement

**By Kathryn Fritz Kniep**  
*Special to the Review*

The Michigan Court of Appeals has reversed an October 17, 2008 trial court ruling, stating that the 23<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court judge erred in ruling that the Michigan Municipal League Liability and Property Pool (pool) was responsible for bond coverage for the actions of former Alcona County Treasurer Tom Katona.

In an opinion authored by Justices William B. Murphy, Jane M. Beckering and Michael J. Kelly, the appeals court wrote that the award was reversed because Alcona County officials were aware of prior fraud committed by Katona, thus making the bonds issued by the pool invalid.

The opinion did not order the county to repay \$100,000 it had received from the pool for the 2006 treasurer's bond, although it did note that repayment had not been requested by the pool.

The opinion reviewed the history of the situation pertaining to the court's decision:

- Katona was elected as county treasurer in March of

1993 and maintained his private independent accounting business at that time. In July of 1998, Katona was arrested and charged with two counts of forgery and two counts of uttering and publishing a false, forged, altered or counterfeit document.

- The charges stemmed from Katona's filing of one or more altered documents with the state of Michigan, representing them to be accurate on behalf of a client in his private accounting business.

- In November 1998, Katona pleaded guilty to one count of uttering and publishing and one count of forgery, in exchange for which the remaining charges were dropped and Katona was given a conditional delay of sentence.

- He was required to pay fees, perform community service, return all business records to the victim, report to his probation officer and refrain from any criminal activity for one year. At the end of that time, having successfully completed the requirements of the sentence, the charges were dropped and Katona was left without criminal record.

- The case was covered by the Alcona County Review "with front page prominence" and prosecuted by the Presque Isle County Prosecutor at the request of the Alcona County prosecuting attorney.

- During this period and thereafter, Katona was re-elected to office as county treasurer in the county's general election.

- In 2006, when investigation into county financial irregularities began, the Alcona County Board of Commissioners directed Katona to report in writing regarding certain transactions and to provide a bond in the amount of \$7,000,000 to secure his faithful performance of duties as county treasurer.

- Upon failure to do so, the county board removed him from office.

- In January 2007, Katona was arrested and charged with nine counts of embezzlement by a public officer and two counts of forgery resulting in a \$1.2 million loss to the county.

- In May 2007 he pleaded guilty to the charges and was sentenced to serve 112 to 168 months in prison.

- He is incarcerated in the Macomb Correctional Facility until at least May 13, 2016.

- In 1997 Alcona County became a member of the MML Pool and began to purchase comprehensive general liability insurance and bonds from the pool on an annual basis.

- At issue within the parent case were two sets of fidelity bonds from the pool in the amount of \$100,000 each, issued in fiscal years 2003 through 2007 to ensure the faithful performance of the county treasurer and the finance officer or director.

- Following Katona's arrest and sentencing, the

## How much does a million dollars cost?

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Alcona County has spent almost a half a million dollars it has yet to receive in a lawsuit filed in 2007 to recoup money lost after former Alcona County Treasurer Thomas Katona embezzled \$1.2 million in county funds.

In June of 2010, a jury in the 23<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court for Alcona County determined that Robson Accounting, Inc., a division of Robson-Rehmann Accounting, was negligent, and a "proximate cause" of the loss to the county. The accounting firm was responsible for auditing financial records during the time that funds were embezzled by former county treasurer Tom Katona.

The same jury awarded Alcona County \$1 million in damages.

Nine months later, the county has yet to receive any portion of that award, as the case proceeds to appeal and cross-appeal. In the meantime, the Alcona County Review wondered how much in county funds were spent to achieve the current award.

In other words, how much does a million dollars cost?

To make that analysis, the Review filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request with the county, obtaining monthly billing statements from Feikens, Stevens,

Kennedy and Galbraith, P.C., the Detroit law firm representing the county in the Robson case. Statements for the past four years (2007-2010) were requested.

To determine the cost of the law suite, billing statements were evaluated beginning with the July 2007 statement (immediately following the June 12, 2007 arrest of Katona for the \$1.2 million embezzlement) and running through August of 2010 (two months after the \$1 million judgment against Robson).

Rates charged by the legal firm appear to meet or fall slightly below the average for law firms in the state of Michigan and no costs or charges appear out of line with average costs for a case of this magnitude.

It is important to note that the point of this analysis is not to determine whether the charges are fair, but to consider what the cost for a \$1 million judgment might be. It should also be noted that in the first months reviewed (the six months of 2007) it is pos-

sible that attorney time may not have been devoted specifically to the Robson case but to recovery overall.

The two largest areas of cost are those of the hourly services of the attorneys themselves and "professional services." Professional services includes expert witnesses and presumably other accounting and auditing professionals who assisted with the case.

Attorney hours were billed,

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## Ceiling collapses at humane society shelter

On Sunday, March 27, the Alcona Humane Society (AHS) suffered major damage to the ceiling in the dog kennel and kitchen area due to water damage.

What started as a flood in the kitchen soon turned more serious when a large piece of drywall crashed in along with soaking wet insulation sending debris all over the kennel area, narrowly missing AHS board of director secretary Cindy Hartman who was working on cleaning up the kitchen flood at the time.

"Luckily most of the dogs were outside at the time, and no drywall fell directly into their kennels. Electricity to much of the dog kennel area, as well as, heat for the build-

ing, was also lost," said AHS executive director Jennifer Forbes.

The source of the water appears, according to Forbes, came from a heating and cooling unit which malfunctioned causing water to seep into the ceiling insulation. The cellulose insulation acted like a huge sponge sucking water down into itself and then the drywall until the load was too much and the ceiling collapsed.

Forbes explained, the damage was so extensive that larger and larger areas of ceiling have come down in the past week. John Ashford, of John Ashford Construction, is the contractor who will be making the repairs to the

shelter and he expects to have to replace the ceiling from the back of the kitchen to the boiler room, along with several walls in the kitchen.

For the safety of the public no one will be allowed in the back half of the shelter except for staff and contractors involved with the repairs. The public will still be allowed into the three main cat rooms and dogs can be brought up to the front office or outside for viewing.

Forbes reminded individuals looking to adopt a pet from the shelter that "Petfinder (www.petfinder.com) is a great resource for seeing what animals are available for adoption, and is a

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## Obituaries

### Maynard E. Garrett

Maynard E. Garrett, 91, of Glennie died on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at the AuSable Valley Nursing Home in Fairview, Mich.

He was born February 13, 1920 in Harrisville the son of Harry and Ella (Spencer) Garrett.

He graduated from Tawas High School in 1938. He worked on the family farm and worked construction. He was the cemetery sexton for many years at the Glennie Cemetery.

He loved to hunt raccoon and deer and enjoyed taking the hounds out. He loved all pets. He enjoyed woodworking and making homemade syrup.

He married Dorothy Wintz on November 8, 1961 in Creighton, Neb.

Mr. Garrett is survived by his wife, Dorothy; one daughter, Valla Vee (Ralph) Buddemeyer; three grandchildren, Jenna, Austin and Wesley Buddemeyer; and a special niece, Norma Garrett.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Alvin Garrett; one sister, Doris Friend.

Funeral was held April 4 at the Glennie United Methodist Church. Pastor Donald L. Wojewski officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Glennie United Methodist Church.

### Catherine M. Davis

Catherine M. Davis, 98, of Spruce, died on Monday, April 4, 2011 at Maple Grove Adult Foster Care in Barton City.

She was born in Maple City, Mich. on October 6, 1912 to Joseph and Mary (Yankee) Nemeskal. She moved to Flint, Mich. as a young child.

She married Joseph Davis October 23, 1937.

She was employed by AC Spark Plug in Flint, MI, retiring in 1974 after 38 years.

She moved to Spruce in 1974 and was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church in Ossineke.

She was wonderful homemaker, an avid sports fan, enjoyed a good joke, and loved discussing politics.

Mrs. Davis is survived by one sister-in-law, Joyce Nemeskal; five nieces, Cheryl (Mike) Wildfong, Donna Nutt, Karen (Donald) Schena, JoAnn Gierke and Margaret Patterson; five nephews, Gary (Jane) Somers, Jack (Connie) Somers, David Crider, Thomas (Penny) Nemeskal and Joseph (Della) Nemeskal; and many great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph, on November 17, 1979; three brothers, Donald Nemeskal, William Nemeskal and Charles Nemeskal; and two sisters, Josephine Crider and Margaret Somers.

Visitation will be held at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln on Thursday, April 7 from 5 to 8:30 p.m. with a parish prayer service at 7 p.m. and will continue on Friday, April 8 at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Ossineke from 10 a.m. until the funeral Mass at 11 a.m. The Rev. Robert Bissot will officiate. Burial will be in Twin Lakes Cemetery, Lincoln, later in the spring.

### Maureen A. Stover

Maureen A. Stover, 80, of Lincoln (Lost Lake Woods Club) died on Saturday, April 2, 2011 at Lincoln Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Community.

She was born August 19, 1930, to Willard and Ella (Wilson) Crain in Grosse Pointe, Mich., where she was raised.

On October 2, 1954, she married Willard "Bill" Stover in Detroit, Mich. where they resided.

They lived in Florida and Canton, Mich. before 1992, when they moved to Lost Lake Woods Club, where they had been members since 1956. Mrs. Stover grew up a member of the club, and made frequent visits throughout her lifetime.

She was a member of Spruce Presbyterian Church and its women's association. She was also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star No. 184, of Lincoln, and of the Red Hat Society. She enjoyed bowling, golfing and nature.

Mrs. Stover is survived by her husband, Bill; one daughter, Laurie (Charles) Hiop of Eastpointe, Mich.; one son, Lawrence (Jocelyn Cooper-Stover) Stover of Topsham, Maine; two granddaughters, Shannon Hiop and Madison Stover; two sisters, Carolyn (Gordon) Snyder of Lincoln and Beverley Sellars of Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one brother-in-law, Harry Sellars.

Private family services have been held. Cremation arrangements were made by Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. Memorials may be made to Heartland Hospice, P.O. Box 667, West Branch, Mich. 48661, or to the Alpena Regional Medical Center Cardiac Rehab Program.

### Milton H. Anderson

Milton H. Anderson, 74, of Harrisville, died on Monday, April 4, 2011 at his home.

He was born August 5, 1936 to Milton and Myrtle (Howick) Anderson in Alpena.

He has been a Harrisville resident for most of his life.

He worked at the U.S. Post Office in Harrisville as a janitor and at the Alco Theatre as a projectionist.

Mr. Anderson is survived by many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Lewis Anderson, Frank Anderson, Nada Anderson and Marvin Anderson.

Cremation arrangements were made by Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A graveside service will be held later in the spring at Springport Cemetery, Harrisville.

### Cora E. LaValle

Cora E. LaValle, 78, of Lincoln, died on Monday, April 4, 2011 at her home.

She was born on March 14, 1933 to Doc and Leona Brown in Oak Grove, La. She was raised in Louisiana and Texas.

In 1965 she moved to Michigan and in 1992 she moved to Lincoln.

She was a devoted homemaker. She enjoyed gardening and cooking. She was an active member of Family Heritage Baptist Church in Harrisville.

Mrs. LaValle is survived by her husband, Norman Welch; four daughters, Debbie Pitcher of Texas, Brinda McKenzie of East Tawas, Linda (Roger) Alderidge of Mt. Pleasant, Mich. and Sanja (Moises) Rojas of Canton, Mich.; 15 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln on Thursday, April 7 from 4 until 8 p.m. and will continue on Friday, April 8 at the funeral home from 11 a.m. until the funeral at noon. Pastor Ernest Ruemenapp will officiate. Burial will be in Twin Lakes Cemetery, Lincoln later in the spring. Memorial donations may be made to Family Heritage Baptist Church.

### Caroline J. Wheeler

Caroline Jane Wheeler, 83, of Port Huron, Mich., formerly of Curran, died on Thursday, March 24, 2011.

She was born May 28, 1927 in Granite Falls, Wash. to Richard and Mabel Durham. She graduated from Marine City High School.

She married Roscoe Wheeler on February 25, 1949 in Marine City, Mich.

She was employed at Sears for many years. She enjoyed ceramics, knitting and crocheting.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Curran.

Mrs. Wheeler is survived by her husband, Roscoe; one son, Wayne (Sandra) Wheeler; one daughter-in-law, Linda (Rick) Spooner; two grandchildren, Christopher Wheeler and Maria (Robert) Nichols; three great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; one brother, Richard (Helen) Durham; one sister, Laura James; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one son, Michael Wheeler; and one brother, Raymond Durham.

Mrs. Wheeler donated her body to Michigan State University. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements are being handled by Pollock-Randall Funeral Home, Port Huron, Mich.

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Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	March 27	34		11	0.00	2.7
March 28	36	14	0.00	1.0	18	NW
March 29	38	17	0.00	0.2	11	NE
March 30	36	20	0.00	0.6	13	NE
March 31	42	26	0.00	0.0	6	NE
April 1	43	25	0.00	0.0	4	S
April 2	48	26	0.00	0.2	14	N

Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	2010 - 2011		Normal
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Water Content
Weekly Total	0.00	0.0	0.53
Month of March	1.48	19.7	2.13
April to Dage	0.00	0.00	0.14
Year/Season to Date	2.44	65.1	5.38

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 6

Order forms for flowers for the Alcona Tiger's softball teams flower sale fundraiser are available at the Alcona High School office or through any of the JV or varsity softball players. Many varieties are available. Orders are due by Friday, April 15 and may be picked up at the high school on May 21 and 22. For more information, call (989) 724-7076.

Friends of the Alcona County Library will meet at the Harrisville branch at 1 p.m.

Spruce Lutheran Church, 1265 E. Spruce Rd., will have a food pantry from 1 to 3 p.m. There is no qualification requirements but you must show I.D., be present to receive food and can only pick up food once a month.

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

A basic computer 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.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 7

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

Tops No. MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome. Handicap acces-

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

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

The Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention for Alcona County (CANPAC) council will host a free family fun night for Alcona County families at the Alcona High School auditorium. The evening begins with a spaghetti dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by entertainment including magic acts, dancers, a skit and other acts.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 8

The Knights of Columbus of St. Anne Catholic Church will have a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. in Harrisville. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$3.50 for children and under five are free.

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.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 9

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

My Brother's Hope will be open from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville United Methodist Church. Volunteers are needed. Lunch will be served.

The Alcona High School boys' basketball program is hosting a 5-on-5 men's basketball tournament at the high school starting at 8 a.m. The cost is \$200 per team or \$20 per player if there are under 10 players on the team. Winners will receive t-shirts and concessions will be available. Contact Seth Coffing at (517) 812-2335 for more information.

The Barton City Eagles Auxiliary 4141 will host an Easter party for kids 12 and under at 1 p.m. Lunch will be served.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 10

The Oscoda Lions Club will host an all-you-can-eat pancake and sausage breakfast at Tait's Bill of Fare restaurant on Dwight Street in Oscoda. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children and free for children under four. Tickets available at the door or save \$1 per ticket by purchasing in advance from any Lions member or call Jane at (989) 739-3911.

The Barton City Eagles Aerie 4141 will have an all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet and bake sale from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$3 for children six to 12 and under six is free.

### MONDAY, APRIL 11

Gardening questions may be answered by master gardeners each Monday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Alcona County MSUE office on US-23 in Harrisville.

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

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### Correction

Wendy Griffith was misidentified in the front page photograph in the March 30, 2011 issue. The Review apologizes for this error and any inconveniences it may have caused.

### Alcona Flower Sale

"Think Spring" is the theme of Alcona Tiger's Softball Team Flower Sale fund raising event. Area residents are invited to participate in the third annual flower sale being provided with the support of Harger's Nursery in Glennie. They can choose from a variety of annual flowers including 48 count flats of petunias, impatiens, pansies, marigolds, alyssum, begonias, snapdragons and cosmos in a host of colors. Also available are special annuals in 18 count flats of geraniums and wave petunias as well as mixtures of hanging baskets and one gallon tomato plants. Order forms are available through the Alcona High School office or through any of the junior varsity or varsity softball players. Orders are due by Friday, April 15 to help ensure that all orders will be available for pickup on Saturday, May 21 and Sunday, May 22 at the high school. For more information on the sale, call (989) 724-7076.

### Competing in Pageant

Rachel (McCray) Travis, a former Greenbush resident, was crowned Mrs. Virginia on February 5 at the Colonial Theater in South Hill, Va. She and her husband, Mark, live in Lynchburg, Va. Travis, 24, is a paraoptometric at the Virginia Eye Clinic and a student at Liberty University. She is the daughter of Robert and Melissa McCray of Greenbush and the granddaughter of Charles Shepherd of Greenbush. Travis was crowned the first Little Miss



Rachel Travis

Iosco in 1993 at age six and earned that title again in 1994. She is competing in the Mrs. America Pageant in White Sulphur Springs, W.Va. through April 14. The pageant will be televised on May 8 from 8-10 p.m. on My Family TV and R&R TV.

Mrs. America is a reality-based prime time television special featuring the most accomplished married women of America. Each year, 51 delegates (all U.S. states plus the District of Columbia) compete for the title. This national competition is devoted to emphasizing that America's 70 million married women are extraordinarily beautiful, poised, articulate and versatile. Each of the 51 contestants - ranging in age from their 20s to 50s — earns the right to participate in the national event by winning her state competition. Each year the new "Mrs. America" will make personal appearances throughout the country during her yearlong reign, speaking to and for our country's "greatest natural Resource and most important constituency — its married women." For more information about the Mrs. America pageant see: <http://www.mrsamerica.com/index.html>.

### Now on Display

"Natural Light Photos" by local artist Dave LaVigne will be on display at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from April 1 through April 29. LaVigne's photographs capture the beauty of northern Michigan with breathtaking images of nature, scenery, animals, and more. Everyone is invited to a reception in his honor on

Tuesday, April 12 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch. For more information call (989) 724-6796.

### Easter Egg Hunt

Kids ages 12 and under are invited to grab their Easter baskets and hop on over to the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 16 for an Easter egg hunt on the library grounds. In case of bad weather, call for confirmation of event. Park in St. Anne's north parking lot. This event is co-sponsored by the Harrisville Lions and Lady Lions. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

### New Arrival

Joseph William Kruttlin is the new son of Robbie and John Kruttlin of Howell, Mich. He was born Thursday, Jan. 27, 2011 at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Mich. He weighed nine pounds, two ounces and was 21 inches long. He is the grandson of Virginia Kruttlin of Lincoln and Bob and Kathleen Kuhlman of West Bloomfield, Mich.

### 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 11—Baked chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, fruit and cookies.

- Tuesday, April 12—Breaded pork chops, au gratin potatoes, Prince Charles blend vegetables, raspberry applesauce salad and fruit.

- Wednesday, April 13—Chicken parmesan, spaghetti, winter blend vegetables, tossed salad and fruit.

- Thursday, April 14—Beef roast, red potatoes, sugar snap peas, coleslaw and fruit

- Friday, April 15—Pork roast with gravy, baked potato, carrots Jell-O salad and fruit. (Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

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### INVITATION TO BID REAL ESTATE SALES AGENT FOR SALE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY

The Board of Education of the Oscoda Area Schools, Iosco and Alcona Counties, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for a real estate sales agent for the sale of district property. Sealed bids will be received until **1:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 21, 2011**. All bids will be opened and ready publicly at that time. Bid forms with instructions may be obtained from the Office of the Superintendent at the following address:

Oscoda Area Schools  
Board of Education  
Oscoda Area High School  
3550 East River Road  
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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# Bonds Continued from page 1

county sought payment under both series of bonds for the years 2003 through 2006, asserting that Katona was serving both as treasurer and financial director and that the county had suffered loss from his misdeeds in each bond year.

- The pool paid the county \$100,000 for the 2006 treasurer bond, but denied that any additional moneys were due the county.

- When the pool did not pay on the bonds, the 23<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court action was filed seeking to recover on all eight remaining bonds. In response, the pool filed a counterclaim seeking a judgment that no further moneys were owed under the bond contracts.

- The trial court ruled that the pool was liable for the full \$100,000 on each of three treasurer bonds for years 2004, 2005 and 2006 but that the pool was not required to pay the county on the finance director bonds. The trial court's ruling was based on the premise that Katona was not serving as financial director at the time his misdeeds took place.

- Although the issue was raised, the trial court did not address the effect of language in the bond contracts that precludes coverage for losses resulting from an employee's fraudulent or dishonest conduct after the county had knowledge of a fraudulent or dishonest act.

In the appeal, the county argued that the trial court erred by denying payment of the finance director bonds and contended that Katona was serving as both the county's treasurer and its finance director.

On cross-appeal, the pool argued that the trial court erred by declining to apply the language regarding known fraud or dishonest act in the bond contract and ruling that it owed the full \$100,000 on each of the three treasurer's bonds and that the prior fraudulent act exclusion precluded coverage altogether.

Following its review, the appeals court concluded that the county was not covered for Katona's acts against the county and that consequently, the trial court erred by not granting the pool's request for summary disposi-

tion (closure of the case) with respect to either series of bonds.

In its summation, the appeals court opinion states, "...We are aware that, under these circumstances, the voters' decision to re-elect Katona to the position of county treasurer after his 1998 transgressions placed the county in a difficult position. Certainly, the county remained statutorily obligated to obtain a bond insuring Katona's faithful performance of his duties as the county treasurer despite his prior conduct.

"Yet, the position bonds available to the county from the pool precluded such coverage for Katona subsequent to the county having knowledge of, or information regarding, that prior conduct. Under these circumstances, the county could have sought coverage by an individual bond covering Katona's performance as county treasurer; an individual bond could have accounted for

Katona's prior fraud or dishonest conduct in both the coverage provided and the premium charged.

"Alternatively Michigan Compiled Laws 46.11(k) provided the county board of commissioners with the authority to demand that Katona himself give a reasonable bond to ensure his faithful performance of the duties of his office, and, if he refused to do so, to remove him from office by a two-thirds vote of the board members... Having knowledge of Katona's prior dishonest conduct, it was incumbent on the county to take appropriate action to protect against any possible failure by Katona to faithfully perform the duties of the office of county treasurer..."

In closing, the opinion affirms the 23<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court ruling dismissing the county's claim for payment of the finance director bonds, "albeit for different reasons than those articulated by the trial court."

## Local Notes

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**Giving the Gift of Life**

The American Red Cross is celebrating Mother's Day in the Great Lakes Region by giving its donors the opportunity to win a "Mother's Day Out" spa package. Everyone who comes out to donate blood at any Red Cross blood drive or donor center throughout the 65-county region in April will have a chance to win a day at a local spa (a value of \$125) for mom. The next blood drive in Alcona County is Wednesday, April 20 from noon to 5:45 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 S. Church Street.

This past winter, the American Red Cross experienced the largest shortfall in blood collections in more than a decade. The American Red Cross was unable to collect more than 28,000 units of blood throughout the country and is trying to rebuild and maintain a healthy blood supply. Donating in April is a way to help replenish the blood supply and have a chance to win a gift for mom for Mother's Day.

**Garden Show**

On Saturday, April 30 Alpena County Michigan State University (MSU) Extension is sponsoring the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Let's Get Growing garden show. The event will take place at the Aplex, 701 Woodward Avenue, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This year's show will have something for everyone including creative exhibits, garden tractors and equipment, children's activities, door prizes and landscaping tips galore. Twenty area garden related businesses and organizations will be on hand to answer all of your gardening questions. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Alpena County MSU Extension at (989) 354-9870.

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for the most part, at a rate of \$135 per hour. In a few small instances, hours were billed at half that rate (\$65 per hour) presumably when paralegal or other staff conducted the work. Overall, attorney fees for the three and a half year period totaled \$186,674.51 or approximately 1,383 hours of attorney time.

This included 37 hours of trial time, several meetings with county officials and the preparation of numerous court and legal documents and letters, phone calls and time spent preparing for and conducting depositions and case research.

In the category of professional services, billings totaled \$190,896.38. These costs included three payments of \$15,675 to expert witness Gary Leeman, a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) with 40 years of forensic financial experience and probably covered his fees and

costs to attend and testify at the trial. Other items within this category were also paid to Leeman, presumably for expert advice on the case, and still other payments were noted only as "professional services."

Professional photocopying of documents and preparation of transcripts (done out-of-house for the law firm) resulted in total charges of \$8,232.79 while office costs (including postage, overnight mail, long distance phone calls and faxes, in-house photocopying and office supplies) totaled \$5,901.33. In June, 2008, \$23.30 of these funds were used to purchase the book "Accounting for Dummies."

Mileage for the attorneys, staff and expert witnesses came to \$2,845.60 while travel and car rental came to \$2,723, including condo rental for the week of the trial.

Deposition and subpoena fees for the time period totaled \$2,200.35, although virtually this entire amount was credited as subpoena checks remained uncashed and were voided by the law firm. Service fees (costs for service of subpoenas and other docu-

ments) totaled \$1,886 while jury and court filing fees came to \$1,587.95.

Overall, the grand total of attorney costs billed from Feikens, Stevens, Kennedy and Gailbraith to Alcona County from the time of Katona's arrest until the award of the \$1 million tallied \$401,023.29 or approximately 40 percent of the award itself.

On December 13, 2010, the Rehmann Group filed leave to appeal - a request that the case be reviewed - before the Michigan Court of Appeals. On January 6, 2011, the county attorneys filed leave to file a cross appeal - or a similar request on a different set of issues or precedents - in the case.

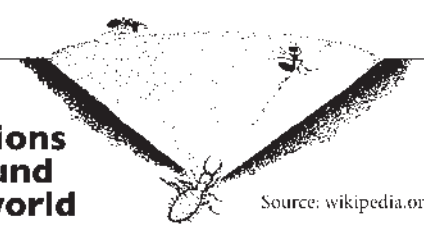
On January 21, 2011, the Robson Group also filed a request for leave to appeal. Appeal cases in Michigan can take years to prosecute and, of course, result in additional, often larger, attorney fees and court costs. While costs are sometimes included in final awards, it is also conceivable that if leave to appeal is granted, by the time these cases are concluded, virtually none of the \$1 million award will remain.

— Weekly SUDOKU —

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**The Garden Bug**  
Antlions around the world



Source: wikipedia.org

In Italy, the antlion is called *formicaleone*, in France the *fourmis-lion*. The Dutch call it *mierenleeuw*, the Swedish call it *myrlejon*. It is also known as *mravkol'v* (Bulgarian), *sipelgalövi* (Estonian), and *luani thnegslave* (Albanian). Other languages refer to its behavior in its name: *aMbututu* ("hider-and-digger" in Xitsonga), *undur-undur* ("backwards walker" in Malay) or *kumhar* ("potter" in Punjabi). It is called *kuzhi-ana* ("pit elephant") in the Malayalam language.

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# SENIOR LIFESTYLES

## Elder mediation can help adult families resolve conflicts

Dear Savvy Senior,  
 What can you tell me about elder mediation for resolving family conflicts? My mother has Alzheimer's disease, and to make matters worse, my three siblings and I have been perpetually arguing about how to handle her care and finances. Would this type of service be helpful to us?

Tired of Fighting

Dear Tired,  
 If your siblings are willing, elder care mediation may be just what your family needs to help you work through your disagreements.

While mediators have been used for years to help divorcing couples sort out legal and financial disagreements and avoid court battles, elder care mediation is a relatively new and specialized field designed to help families resolve disputes that are related to aging parents or other elderly relatives.

Family disagreements over an ill or elderly parent's caregiving needs, living arrangements, financial decisions and medical care are some of the many issues that an elder care mediator can help with. But don't confuse this with family or group therapy. Mediation is only about decision-making, not feelings and emotions.

The job of an elder mediator is to step in as a neutral third party to help ease family ten-

sions, listen to everyone's concerns, hash out disagreements and misunderstandings, and help your family make decisions that are acceptable to everyone.

Good mediators can also assist your family in identifying experts such as estate planners, geriatric care managers, or health care or financial professionals who can supply important information for family decision making.

Your family also needs to know that the mediation process is completely confidential and voluntary, and can take anywhere from a few hours to several meetings depending on the complexity of your issues. And if some family members live far away, a speaker phone or webcam can be used to bring everyone together.

If you're interested in hiring a private elder care mediator, you can expect to pay anywhere from \$100 to more than \$400 per hour depending on where you live and who you choose. Or, you may be able to get help through a nonprofit community mediation service which charges little to nothing.

Since there's no formal licensing or national credentialing required for elder mediators, make sure the person you choose has extensive experience with elder issues and be sure you ask for references and check them. Most

Savvy Senior

elder mediators are attorneys, social workers, counselors or other professionals who are trained in mediation and conflict resolution.

To locate an elder mediator, start by calling your area aging agency (call (800) 677-1116 or see [www.eldercare.gov](http://www.eldercare.gov) to get your local number) which may be able to refer you to local resources. Or try websites like [eldercaremediators.com](http://eldercaremediators.com) and [mediate.com](http://mediate.com). Both of these sites have directories that will let you search for mediators in your area. Or, use the National Association for Community Mediation website ([www.nafcm.org](http://www.nafcm.org)) to search for free or low-cost community-based mediation programs in your area.

Savvy Tip: The Center for Social Gerontology (see [www.tcsg.org](http://www.tcsg.org)) provides some good information on their website including an online brochure titled "Caring for an Older Person and Facing Difficult Decisions? Consider Mediation."

(Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](http://SavvySenior.org).)

## Reverse mortgage rules have changed

Senior News Line  
 By Matilda Charles

When the AARP jumps into a situation and sues, you know it's serious. The AARP recently filed suit against the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) over some sneaky tactics involving reverse mortgages.

Here's how a reverse mortgage works: If you have equity in your home, you can enter into a reverse mortgage that will pay you money for the rest of your life, or until you sell the house. Money comes in every month, or you have a line of credit to draw on. If a borrower dies or sells, the loan is paid off when the home is sold, but never more than the home is worth.

So how then did some seniors get eviction notices when the homes were foreclosed out from under them? Because those particular seniors weren't on the mortgage documents. Perhaps the senior who took out the reverse mortgage was the only one of the two who was over age 62, and they would receive more money if only the elder senior signed up. Perhaps the two of them weren't married yet.

No matter how it happened, HUD retroactively

changed the rules and demanded that the loans be paid off in full when the original signers died, no matter the value of the homes. When the remaining seniors couldn't raise the money and couldn't sell for the amount demanded, foreclosure followed. At the same time that they demanded full repayment of the loan from surviving spouse and heirs, HUD was allowing third-party purchasers to buy those homes at below appraised market value.

If you're determined to do a reverse mortgage, get expert advice. You'll be required to attend counseling, but don't stop there. Seek other advisers.

And if you're a couple, beware having only one of you sign.

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](mailto:columnreply@gmail.com).

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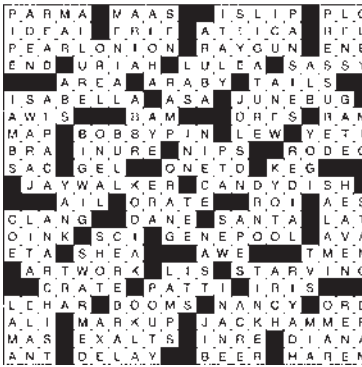
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## Pool League

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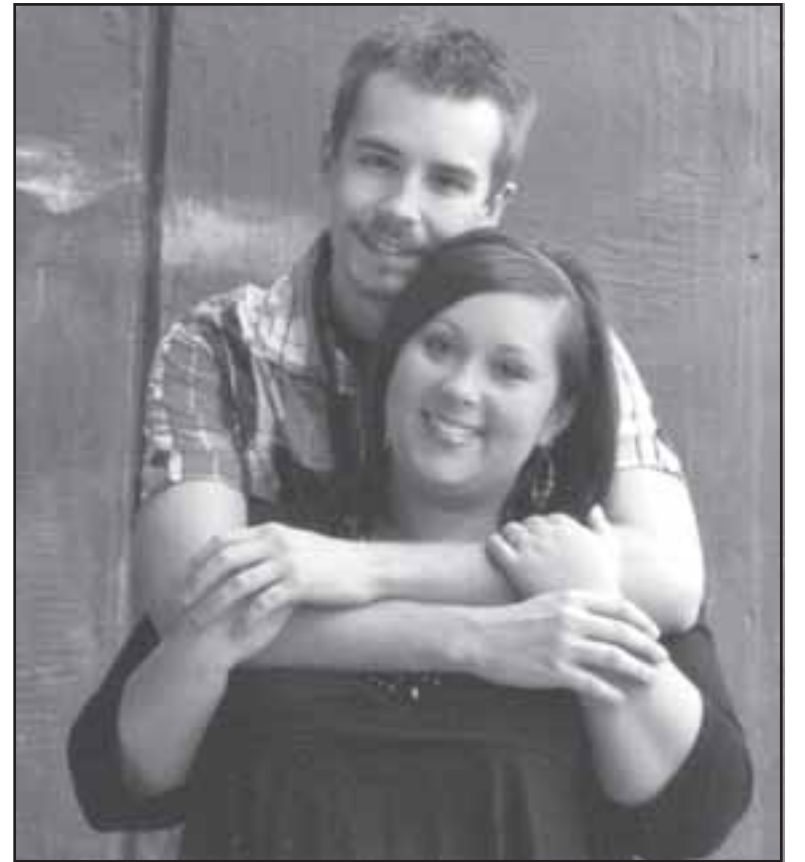
## London/Alvey plan nuptials

Michael and Deborah London of Mikado announce the engagement of their daughter, Margot London, to Christopher Alvey, son of Rick and Shiloah Solgot of Oscoda and James and Janet Alvey of Tawas City.

The bride-to-be is a 2010 graduate of Saginaw Valley State University and is completing her medical technology internship at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Mich. where she is employed.

The future groom is a 2010 graduate of Saginaw Valley State University and is employed at Dow Chemical Corporation in Midland, Mich.

An August 6, 2011 wedding is planned on the shore of Lake Huron in East Tawas.



Margot London and Christopher Alvey

# Share your photographs with us!

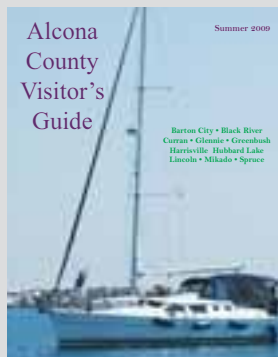
## Alcona Review's Online Photo Contest

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

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

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

One of the photographs entered will be selected for the cover of the 2011 Alcona County Visitor's Guide.



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

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great starting point when the shelter is closed. Petfinder has pictures of the animals, descriptions, alteration status and special needs of the animals."

Forbes explained the shelter's insurance policy will cover the damage caused by the malfunctioning HVAC unit (minus the deductible), but does not cover the cost of repair or replacement of the unit itself. "Contributions to-

wards this project would be greatly appreciated," she said. They can be made at the shelter itself or mailed to: Alcona Humane Society, 457 W. Traverse Bay Road, Lincoln, Michigan 48742.

Anyone who is interested in volunteering to help with repairs or clean-up during the project, may call the shelter at (989) 736-7387 or send an e-mail to [alconahumane-society@yahoo.com](mailto:alconahumane-society@yahoo.com).

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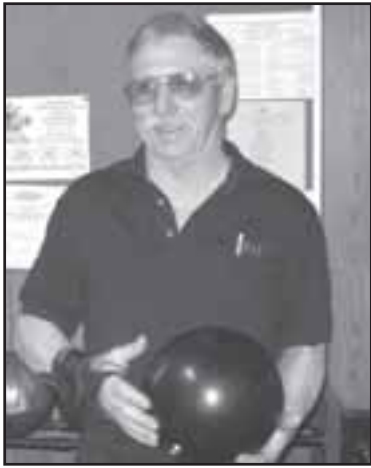
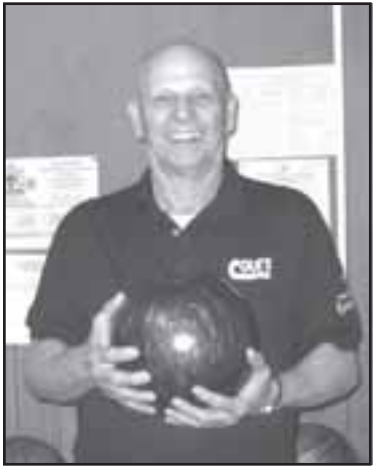
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# Bowling



Bowling history was made at Village Lanes on Tuesday, March 29 when two bowlers on the same team, and during the same game, threw 10 strikes in a row, needing three more in the 10th frame for a perfect game. First up was Gary Oil team member Tom Sharboneau (left) and he buried three solid strikes for his first 300 game. This was the first 300 game at Village Lanes in two years. Moments later, it was Rod Travis's (middle) turn, and he was nearly perfect. The first two deliveries resulted in strikes and the third was in the pocket, but left a stubborn 10 pin for a 299 game. Sharboneau ended the evening with a 650 actual series and Travis totaled 697.

While everyone was focused on the attempts for perfect games, Big Joe's State Park Motel member Bob Szuber was quietly throwing a series on the same pair of lanes that would put his name at the top of the leader board for actual series. He threw 212, 243, and 278 (his second 278 this year) for a 733 actual series. *Courtesy photos.*

### Early Bloomers

*March 29*

Buttercups	186.5	125.5
Bluebells	179	133
Daffodils	163.5	148.5
Marigolds	161.5	150.5
Violets	158.5	153.5
Rosebuds	142.5	169.5
Tigerlilys	130.5	181.5
Mums	126	186

High game and series: Sharon O'Callaghan, 187 and 508.  
High team game and series: Mums, 462 and 1,302.

### Huron

*March 29*

Rob's Repair	21	94
Carpet One	15	89.5
B & D Sales	15	87
Back Alley Bar	20	76
Gary Oil	18	74.5
Lincoln Prec.	9	66.5
Big Joe's Motel	12	63
Haglund's	10	49.5

High game: Tom Sharboneau, 300.  
High series: Bob Szuber, 733.  
High handicap game: Tom Sharboneau, 326.  
High handicap series: Rod Travis 763.

### Majors

*April 2*

Ghostbusters	152.5	117.5
Hammers	152	118
Team 4	148.5	121.5
Better Than	146	124
8 Ball	106	164
Team 3	105	165

Boy's high game and series: Ryan Somers, 223 and 550.  
Boy's high handicap game: Ryan Somers, 262.  
Boy's high handicap series: Leigh Gibson, 671.  
Girl's high game and series: Karly Ciesielski, 212 and 470.  
Girl's high handicap game and series: Karly Ciesielski, 297 and 725.

### Minors

*April 2*

Lions	30	15
Butterflies	28	17
Star Strikers	27	18
Trappers	23	22
High Strikers	20	25
Pin Busters	20	25
Headpins	18	27
Strike Bandits	14	31

Boy's high game: Austin Rayburn, 144.  
Boy's high series: Cory Hoffman, 251.  
Boy's high handicap game and series: Jay Nordstrom, 254 and 465.  
Girl's high game and series: Raegen Eller, 127 and 228.  
Girl's high handicap game: Hannah Tanner, 238.  
Girl's high handicap series: Emily Hanson, 450.

### Sportsmans

*March 31*

Morgan Electric	21	82
Phil's Barber	24	75
Balls On Ya	23.5	68.5
Baymoor	6	64.5
Top O Mich.	10	59
L.L.W. Club	20	58.5
Cole's Appl.	6.5	54.5
Ghost Busters	9	18

High game and series: Kevin Rice, 268 and 671.  
High handicap game: Kevin Rice, 286.  
High handicap series: Jim Braden, 769.

### Wednesday Nite Women's

*March 23*

Alcona Tool	84.5	35.5
Back Alley Bar	79	41
Animal Clinic	78	42
JB's Auto	61	59
Stoney Acres	59.5	60.5
Alcona Abstract	58.5	61.5
Other Team	57	63
Cole's Appl.	54	66
Ark Plumbing	51.5	68.5

High game: Janet Lamrock, 221.  
High series: Karen Godi, 559.  
High handicap game: Janet Lamrock, 254.  
High handicap series: Tammy Hurt-Mendyka, 686.

## NOTICE

3-30 - 4-13

The Harrisville Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hear two separate requests. The first request is a variance request from Emilie Boden of 3036 E. M-72 on parcel 061-210-000-010-00. This parcel is zoned General Residential. The request is to put up a 4 x 8 sign on this parcel.

The second is a variance request from Nick Wilson of 600 Eager Road, Howell, MI on a vacant parcel 060-029-400-005-01, located at the Southwest corner of Dellar and McGregor Roads. This parcel is zoned Agriculture. The request is to split this 20 acre parcel into three (3) parcels. This hearing will be on April 20, 2011 at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville Township Hall located on Poor Farm Road. The public is welcome to attend and written comments can be sent to the Harrisville Township Zoning Administrator.



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- Organizational talents
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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](mailto:jengforbes.ahs@hotmail.com).

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# Calendar of Events

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## TUESDAY, APRIL 12

An artist reception for photographer Dave LaVigne will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library.

Kids are invited to the Mikado branch of the Alcona County Library from 4 to 5:30 p.m. to play games on the library's Wii system and cook up a snack with Anne Bloss from MSU Extension. For more information, call (989) 736-8389.

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

The East Shore Art Guild & Gallery will meet at noon followed by a general member meeting at 1 p.m. with guest speaker Carol Lepard discussing handmade greeting cards. There is no cost to attend and everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, call Bernie at (989) 724-6347.

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.

AuSable Valley Audubon will present "Wild Duck Identification" at 7 p.m. in the board meeting room of Oscoda High School. Membership is open to all person interested in wildlife and environment. Annual dues are \$10 per person or \$15 per family payable by mail or at meetings. For more information, visit AuSableValleyAudubon.com.

The Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention for Alcona County (CANPAC) council will host a TETO (Talk Early, Talk Often) workshop for parents at the Alcona High School media center from 6 to 8 p.m. This workshop is free of charge. Advance registration required by calling (800) 354-2880 as space is limited.

The Alcona Democrats will hold their monthly breakfast meeting at the Iron Skillet in Lincoln at 9 a.m. All are welcome.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

A beginning word processing 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 Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce will hold a public general meeting at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

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

There will be an American Red Cross blood drive from 11:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 167 Ripley, Alpena. Visit [www.RedCrossBlood.org](http://www.RedCrossBlood.org) for information on donation requirements.

The Barton City Improvement Association will hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the VFW hall on W. Trask Lake Road. All Barton City residents are welcome to attend. Questions, call (989) 736-3160.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 14

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.

VitalCare Hospice of the Sunrise Shore will present "Piecing Memories Together," a unique grief support opportunity from 6 to 8 p.m. in

the Center Building, 109 N. Second Avenue, Alpena. This program will run each Thursday evening until May 12. Space is limited, call 1-800-664-8587 to register.

Women undergoing treatment and battling cancer are welcome to attend the Look Good Feel Better seminar from 6 to 8 p.m. at St. Joseph Hospital, classroom C, Tawas City. This seminar will provide information and cosmetic advice with hands-on instruction on makeup, skin care and wig, turban and scarf usage. This program is free. Call (800) 227-2345 to register. There will also be a class on June 16, August 11, October 13 and December 15.

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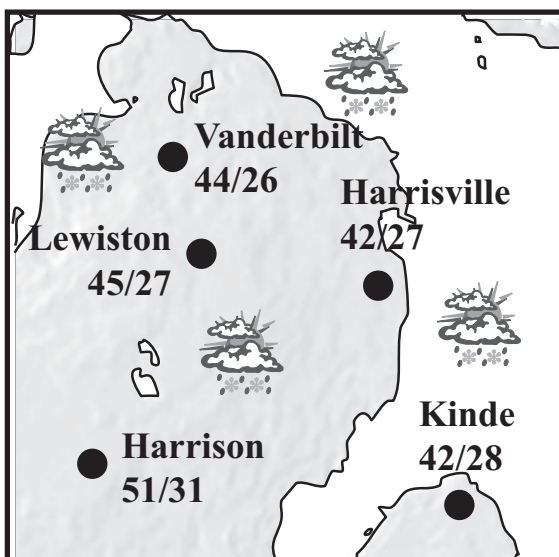
## Alcona Review Weather Report

April 6, 2011

### Seven Day Forecast

	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Rain/Snow High: 42 Low: 27
	<b>THURSDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 42 Low: 35
	<b>FRIDAY</b> Cloudy High: 40 Low: 36
	<b>SATURDAY</b> Partly Cloudy High: 48 Low: 39
	<b>SUNDAY</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 52 Low: 41
	<b>MONDAY</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 51 Low: 35
	<b>TUESDAY</b> Partly Cloudy High: 48 Low: 34

### Today's Regional Map



### In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 50% chance of rain and snow, high temperature of 42°, humidity of 61%. Northwest wind 5 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 78° set in 1991. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 27°. East wind 5 mph. The record low for tonight is 9° set in 1950.

### \*Last Week's Almanac

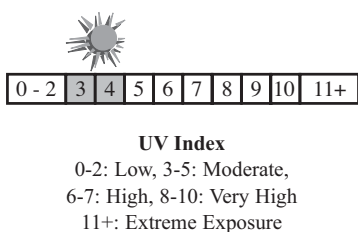
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Wednesday	44	20	43/24	0.00"
Thursday	47	20	43/24	0.00"
Friday	49	20	44/25	0.00"
Saturday	48	23	44/25	0.00"
Sunday	46	23	45/26	0.44"

\*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

### Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	7:05 a.m.	8:07 p.m.	8:10 a.m.	11:38 p.m.
Thursday	7:03 a.m.	8:08 p.m.	8:48 a.m.	Next Day
Friday	7:02 a.m.	8:09 p.m.	9:34 a.m.	12:36 a.m.
Saturday	7:00 a.m.	8:11 p.m.	10:28 a.m.	1:30 a.m.
Sunday	6:58 a.m.	8:12 p.m.	11:29 a.m.	2:18 a.m.
Monday	6:56 a.m.	8:13 p.m.	12:37 p.m.	3:00 a.m.
Tuesday	6:54 a.m.	8:14 p.m.	1:49 p.m.	3:36 a.m.

### Local UV Index



### National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see scattered showers today, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Thursday, scattered showers and thunderstorms Friday, with the highest temperature of 73° in East St. Louis, Ill. The Southeast will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 85° in Ft. Myers, Fla. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated rain today, scattered rain and snow Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 58° in Torrington, Wyo. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today and Thursday, isolated showers Friday, with the highest temperature of 90° in Yuma, Ariz.

### Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	7:03 a.m.	8:37 p.m.
Venus	6:00 a.m.	5:04 p.m.
Mars	6:44 a.m.	6:54 p.m.
Jupiter	7:13 a.m.	8:01 p.m.
Saturn	7:36 p.m.	7:22 a.m.
Uranus	6:39 a.m.	6:43 p.m.

### Weather History

**April 6, 1987** - Rain and melting snow caused flooding from New England to Ohio. Flooding in the Merrimack Valley of Massachusetts was the worst in 50 years, causing 42 million dollars in damage.

### Weather Trivia

How far is the sun from the Earth?

**Answer:** 93 million miles.

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### StarWatch By Gary Becker - Dancing with the Stars

Last Tuesday under transparent skies, I had my Moravian College students over to Bill Jacobs' Farm in Pleasant Valley, PA. Friends, Marcella Gustantino and Joe Zelinski, brought telescopes to help to reduce the viewing lines. None of us had used our "big" scopes since last fall, and we were somewhat like groundhogs becoming conscious from hibernation after a long, cold, winter—a little slow on the uptake, but thank goodness, we didn't have to cross any busy highway. We would have been all roadkill. Students started arriving about ten minutes before sundown, so I got them familiar with chasing down jet aircraft as they headed into the sunset, their short crimson contrails indicating dry conditions aloft. I pointed out the gray mask of the Earth's shadow rising in the east. Then Sirius the Dog Star was spotted by keen-eyed, Justin Miranda, no more than 15 minutes after sundown. I was impressed. A few minutes later, more and more luminaries began to battle their way into visibility as a turquoise sky faded to denim. In the west a few degrees above the tree line, Mercury was spotted with binoculars, then with the unaided eye, and then seen through my scope. It was only the second time I had viewed the most elusive of the naked eye worlds through a telescope. Cranky computer drives notwithstanding, that made the evening into a rousing success. For the next hour or so we picked out the Orion Nebula here, the Pleiades there and various other late winter charmers, as we telescopically cruised the ocean of stars. Junior, Kristin Popovice, used my bright green laser to find all of the constellations successfully, as well as down a few planes. I didn't pack up until nearly 11 p.m., but students had discovered that in the carriage house, Bill and John had prepared a feast fit for any college crowd. Someone reportedly said, "No Taco Bell tonight." Thanks to all for a great, great evening. [www.astronomy.org](http://www.astronomy.org)

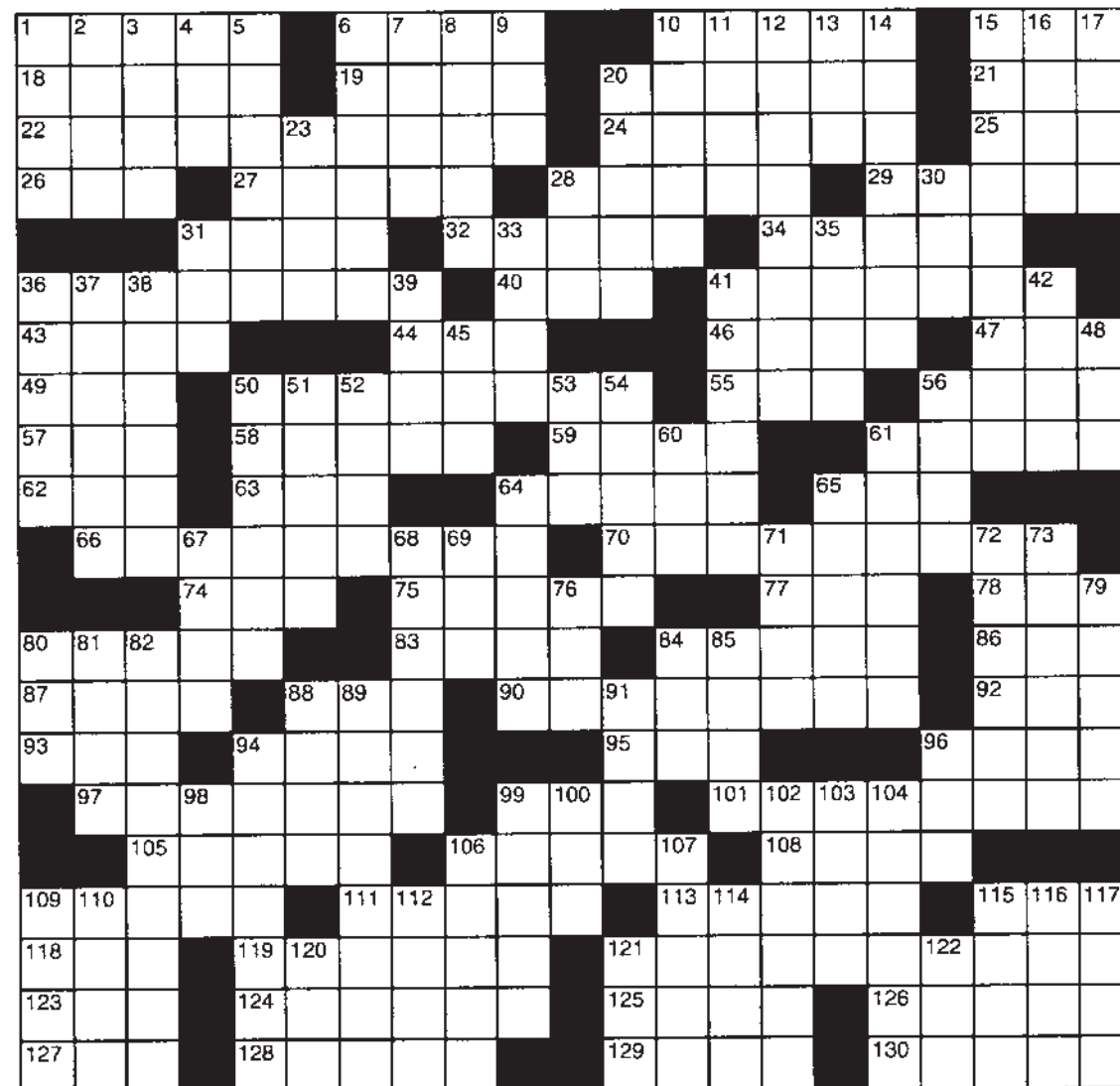
### TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- LITERATURE:** Who wrote the novel "Catch-22"?
- MUSIC:** For what crime did country singer Merle Haggard spend time in prison?
- CARTOONS:** What was the name of Space Ghost's chimp in television cartoons?
- GOVERNMENT:** What country did Haile Selassie rule for more than 30 years?
- MEDICINE:** Who is credited with discovering a vaccination against smallpox?
- MOVIES:** What is Luke Skywalker's relation to Princess Leia in the "Star Wars" movies?
- ANIMALS:** What characteristic is the whippet breed of dog known for?
- RELIGION:** Who were the French Huguenots and why were they persecuted?
- MUSIC:** What is the minimum number of musicians needed to make up a "big band"?
- LANGUAGE:** What does the Latin term "soma" refer to?

Answers: 1. Joseph Heller; 2. Attempted robbery; 3. Blip; 4. Ethiopia; 5. Edward Jenner; 6. Her brother; 7. Speed; 8. Protestants persecuted in Catholic-dominated France because of their beliefs; 9. Ten; 10. The body of an organism. (c) 2011 King Features Synd., Inc.

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| 15 Arafat's grp.        | 57 Bikini part               | 106 Austin or Smith     | 11 Eye problem                | 53 Hostelry                | 54 Sib's kid           | 96 Watching machines?      |
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| 20 Ancient Greek region | 62 Cul-de —                  | 111 Flourishes          | 14 Garden flowers             | 65 Former Japanese capital | 67 Pull sharply        | 100 "— Too Late" ('71 hit) |
| 21 CSA soldier          | 63 Solidify                  | 113 Sluggo's sweetie    | 15 Egged on                   | 68 Alaskan bear            | 69 Epoch               | 102 Fiddle (with)          |
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### STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• It was French novelist, essayist and critic Marcel Proust who made the following sage observation: "There is nothing like desire for preventing the things one says from bearing any resemblance to what one has in one's mind."

• The city of Denver holds the distinction of being the first major metropolitan area to allow women to vote in elections, back in 1893.

• Connectivity may finally be going too far. Way too far. Beyond death, even. It seems that someone has now invented the solar-powered eTomb, a headstone that stores information from the deceased's social networking sites. Visitors to the grave can use a laptop or a smartphone to download photos, blog posts and even videos via a Bluetooth connection.

• Famed screenwriter and director Woody Allen started his career in show business in the 1960s as a writer for the TV series "Candid Camera."

• In a traditional Moroccan wedding, the bride must be purified in a milk bath and have her hands and feet painted with henna before the ceremony.

• A man named Stephen Burns holds a rather odd world record: He managed to hitchhike through all of the contiguous 48 states in less time than anyone else — 26 days and 6 hours.

• You might be surprised to learn that the largest supplier of foreign oil to the United States isn't Saudi Arabia, Libya, Iraq or Kuwait. In fact, we buy more of our oil much closer to home: from Canada.

• Between 70 percent and 80 percent of all the world's fresh water is frozen, stored in Arctic and Antarctic glaciers.

• Not all black bears are black; individuals in some populations around the world can be brown, white, cinnamon or even blue.

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Thought for the Day: "I envy people who drink. At least they have something to blame everything on." — Oscar Levant

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### MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

• On April 19, 1897, John J. McDermott of New York won the first Boston Marathon with a time of 2:55:10. Fifteen runners started the race but only 10 made it to the finish line. The marathon's distance was changed in 1908 in accordance with Olympic standards to its current length of 26 miles, 385 yards.

• On April 21, 1918, in the skies over France, Manfred von Richthofen, the notorious German flying ace known as "The Red Baron," is killed by Allied fire when an Australian gunner shoots him through his chest. He was 25 years old. Von Richthofen had downed 80 enemy aircraft.

• On April 23, 1923, "Mambo King" Tito Puente is born in New York City. Bandleader and percussionist Puente helped popularize Latin dance music and jazz in America. During a career that spanned six decades, the dynamic showman recorded more than 100 albums and won five Grammy Awards.

• On April 22, 1937, John Joseph "Jack" Nicholson, who would become known as one of the greatest actors of his generation and famous for his role in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," is born in Neptune, N.J. In his first film, Nicholson played a troubled teenager in the low-budget 1958 horror flick, "The Cry-Baby Killer."

• On April 18, 1945, Pulitzer Prize-winning war correspondent Ernie Pyle is killed by Japanese machine-gun fire on Okinawa. Extremely popular, Pyle had been at the London Blitz of 1941 and saw action in North Africa, Italy, France and the Pacific. A monument to him exists to this day on Okinawa, describing Pyle simply as "a buddy."

• On April 24, 1976, the Pittsburgh Penguins beat the Washington Capitals, 3-2, in 139 minutes and 15 seconds of total game play, making it the fifth-longest match in the history of the National Hockey League. A regulation hockey game lasts 60 minutes.

• On April 20, 1980, the Castro regime announces that all Cubans wishing to emigrate to the U.S. are free to board boats at the port of Mariel, west of Havana, launching the Mariel Boatlift. The first of 125,000 Cuban refugees reached Florida the next day in about 1,700 boats.

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★**

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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## Cue for Cure 2011

**By Amy Stevens**  
*MDA Spokespatient*

The grand total of funds raised during the 14th annual Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) Cue for a Cure 2011 pool tournament was \$15,752.82.

The total amount raised over the past 14 years is \$266,268.13.

The following area establishments hosted the pool tournaments held in February and March:

- **Chiefs Bar & Grill, Alpena** -- event organizers: Brian Mayo and "Chief." Top fund raiser: Kelly Ratz. Winners: Yvonne and Aaron Kowalski. Runners up: Lisa Marky and Brian Mayo. Total raised: \$300.

- **Hilltop Saloon, Oscoda** -- event organizers: Vicki Hunt and Debbie Redwood. Top fund raiser: Mike Kovach \$100. Winners: Scott Schenburn and Mike Riedy. Runners up: Debbie Redwood and Mike Kovach. Total raised: \$692.

- **Dry Dock, Alpena** -- event organizer: Mona Hanner. Top fund raiser: Connie Medlin \$203. Winners: Crista Hanner and Tony Marzecola. Runners up: Barbara Welch and Randy Sylvester. Total raised: \$1,776.

- **Edelweiss Tavern, Oscoda** -- event organizers: Lori Luedtke, Shirley Culberson and Roni Eberhardt. Top fund raiser: Kelley Liechty \$327. Winners: Kelley Liechty and Nik Edie. Runners up: Joely Murray and Dan Cox. Total raised: \$2,622.82.

- **Oscoda Eagles** -- event organizers: Doug Stephenson, Carol Ott and Kat Baynes. Top fund raisers: Kat Baynes \$360 (in memory of her sister who had a form of MD) and Doug Stephenson \$200 (in honor of his grandson Gerald who has Duchenne muscular dystrophy). Winners: Chris and Tom Rudolph. Runners up: Lori Pulda and Wally Schultz. Dave Adams and Arnie Denson also took up a collection to have their heads shaved and became Cue Ball Heads for a Cure. Total raised: \$2,692.

- **Mikado Tavern** -- event organizers: Rita Sands and Yogi Yrueges. Top fund raisers: Steve Porkarski \$500 (sponsored by INTL Union-United Automobile Aero Space and Agricultural Implement Workers of America Local No. 3000 UAW); Rick Kaiser \$310; Yogi Yrugas \$136; Carrie Kaiser \$132; Jim Ostby \$130; and Rita Sands \$100. Winners: Carrie and Rick Kaiser. Runners up: Karen Bard and Jordan Vahlbusch. Jim Ostby also became a Cue Ball Head for a Cure allowing his head to be shaved to raise money at the event. Total raised: \$3,202.

- **Top Bar Winner - Glennie Tavern.** Event organizers: Laurie Chabot, Marc and Hobi Harger, Maggie Hunter and Pam and John Williams. Top fund raiser: Joyce Harmon raised \$800 by doing her annual "Polar Dip for Dystrophy" in the icy water of Vaughn Lake and Tammy Fall raised \$525 by organiz-

ing a casino bus trip from the Tavern along with her mom, Barb Yatzack. Winners: Laurie Chabot and Marc Harger. Runners up: Joyce and Ron Harmon. Total raised: \$3,500.

- **Playoffs held at Glennie Tavern** -- event organizers: Laurie Chabot and Marc and Hobi Harger. Top fund raisers over all: Joyce Harmon \$800; Tammy Fall \$525; Steve Porkarski \$500; Kat Baynes \$360; Kelly Liechty \$327; Rick Kaiser \$310; Connie Medlin \$203; and Doug Stephenson \$200.

A drawing between all of the top fund raisers was held for a \$200 gift card. Rick Kaiser won the drawing and donated the gift card back to MDA. It will be deligated to Summer Camp to purchase art supplies for the craft cabin.

- **Queen of the Cue:** Chris Rudolph representing the Oscoda Eagles.

- **King of the Cue:** Tom Rudolph representing the Oscoda Eagles.

- **Runners up:** Laurie Chabot and Marc Harger representing the Glennie Tav-

ern. Playoff total: \$968.

An awards presentation was held recognizing the main organizers, top fund raisers, winners, runners up, highlights and total raised from each event. Winners were presented with plaques, 14 Year Anniversary Cue T-shirts and other gifts from MDA.

Thank you to the pool players for participating in the 14th annual MDA Cue for a Cure 2011 tournaments. Thank you also to all who organized events. Thank you to area businesses who donated many items for the auctions, and to everyone who bid on them and to those who bought raffle tickets and to the many who donated their money back.

It is all of you doing all of the things that you do that make our events a success each year. It is all of you who are supporting our own area patients and who help to fund research going on here at universities in Michigan.


It is all of the participants and their involvement who give area patients dealing with

various diseases that are supported by MDA hope that treatments will be found and that hope gives a reason to keep fighting.

top ten

### Most-Visited Countries

1. France
2. United States
3. Spain
4. Italy
5. China
6. United Kingdom
7. Russia
8. Mexico
9. Canada
10. Germany



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## CLASSIFIEDS

### HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township special board meeting was held March 31 at the township hall. The special meeting, preposted and called by the supervisor, for the purpose of adopting the 2011-2012 budget and any other issues that need to be taken care of. Present board members: Stone, Jamieson, Johnston and Pyne. Absent Trustee Young.

Stone/Pyne: By Resolution No. 33111 to transfer \$2,000 from the 101-000-727 contingency fund to the 101-206-727 fire department fund to cover expenses for repairs. Roll call vote: Four ayes, zero nays and one absent. Motion carried.

Jamieson/Johnston: By Resolution No. 33111-A to adopt the 2011-2012 proposed township budget as presented at the 6:30 p.m. March 8 public hearing in the amount of \$362,655.27. Roll call vote: Four ayes, zero nays and one absent. Motion carried.

Other business discussed: The county's bill for tax collecting, fire department billing and the future of your township hall.

Meeting adjourned 11:56 a.m.  
Roger Jamieson,  
Township Clerk  
Published prior to board approval.

# 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](http://haynescommunitychurch.org)

**GREENBUSH COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH**

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

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**Family Heritage Baptist Church**

4260 M-72 Harrisville (2.5 miles west of the light)  
Pastor Ernest Ruemenapp (989) 724-6728 • [www.church72.org](http://www.church72.org)  
Sunday Worship Services 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.  
• Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Wed. 6:30 p.m. Patch the Pirate Club  
Wed. 7 p.m. Midweek Service (Bible Study & Prayer Service)

**Harrisville United Methodist Church**

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

**New Life Lutheran Church (ELCA)**

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

**Lincoln United Methodist Church**

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

**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)**

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

**First Baptist Church of Lincoln**

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

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

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

**ALCONA COUNTY CATHOLIC CHURCHES**

St. Anne, Harrisville Sunday 11 a.m.  
St. Raphael, Mikado, Saturday 4:30 p.m.  
St. Gabriel, Black River Saturday 6:30 p.m.  
Pastor: Fr. Robert Bissot • (989) 724-6713

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH OF GOD**

158 N. Barlow Road., Harrisville • (989) 736-6350  
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.  
Evening Service 6 p.m. • Family Bible Study 7 p.m. Wednesday

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### LEGAL NOTICE

#### Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty. Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Christine J. Schultz, married to Howard Schultz, original mortgagor(s), to Ameriquet Mortgage Company, mortgagee, dated March 17, 2005, and recorded on March 30, 2005 in Liber 414 on page 720, in Alcona County records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as trustee for Ameriquet Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R6 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred seventeen thousand six hundred six and 71/100 dollars (\$117,606.71), including interest at 5.06 percent per annum.

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of the northeast 1/4 of said section; thence south 89 degrees 34 minutes 12 seconds east 1,157.77 feet parallel with said record east and west 1/4 line to said record east line of the west 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of said section; thence south 01 degrees 22 minutes 30 seconds west 1,121.4 feet as calculated, previously recorded as south 01 degrees 21 minutes 46 seconds west 1,120.92 feet along said record east line of the west 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 to the recorded southeast corner of the west 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 on said record east and west 1/4 line of said section; thence north 89 degrees 34 minutes 12 seconds west, 1157.77 feet along said record east and west 1/4 line to the point of beginning No. 1. This all being a part of the southwest 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of Section 35; Town 25 North, Range 6 East, Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan. Together with and subject to an easement for ingress and egress as recorded in Liber 303, page 504 and 505, Alcona County recorded, described as follows: commencing at the intersection of Sawmill Road and the 66 foot wide access road running southerly along center line of existing road to south line of north 660 feet of Section 35 and Section 36 Town 25 North, Range 6 East, said line being the north line of an 108.2 parcel of land as surveyed by Alpha Land Surveyors in October 9, 1997. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: March 16, 2011 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File No. 284611F02 3-16, 3-23, 3-30, 4-6

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This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kelly Teehan, a single man, to CitiFinancial, Inc., mortgagee, dated September 15, 2006 and recorded September 20, 2006 in Liber 435, page 452, Alcona County records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-three thousand seven hundred twenty-seven and 26/100 dollars (\$53,727.26) including interest at 9 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in

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This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. 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. 20070002210 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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by said mortgagee to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-one thousand eight hundred seventy-five and 84/100 dollars (\$51,875.84), including interest at 6.375 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on April 20, 2011. Said premises are situated in township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and

said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville in Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on April 20, 2011. Said premises are located in the township of Haynes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The east half of the west half of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 7, Town 27 North, Range 9 East. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accor-

(\$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

by said mortgagee to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred sixty-nine thousand seven hundred fifty-five and 47/100 dollars (\$169,755.47), including interest at 6.125 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on April 13, 2011. Said premises are situated in township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 6 of

are described as: Lots 58, 59 and 60, Hunters Lake Heights, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 160 of Alcona County records. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: March 23, 2011 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1301 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File No. 367510F01 3-23, 3-30, 4-6, 4-13

dance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: March 23, 2011 Orans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 502-1400 File No. 293.0799 ASAP No. 3944079 3-23, 3-30, 4-6, 4-13

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 Timothy Hillemonds Warner Norcross & Judd LLP 900 Fifth Third Center 111 Lyon Street, N.W. Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2489 (616) 752-2000 5328977-1 3-30, 4-6, 4-13, 4-20

Charlot Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 3 of Plats, pages 11-12, Alcona County records. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: March 16, 2011 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File No. 365916F01 3-16, 3-23, 3-30, 4-6

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at 5.5 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville in Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on April 13, 2011. Said premises are located in the township of Millen, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Book 320 page 480 and being more particularly described as follows: West one half of west one half of north east one quarter, Section 16, Township 26 North, Range 7 East. The redemption period shall be

12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: March 16, 2011  
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 Attorneys for Servicer  
 P.O. Box 5041  
 Troy, MI 48007-5041  
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 File No. 280.5609  
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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 mort-

gagee 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. B060060-232508 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  
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