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Alcona Tigers prevail in tough battle with Posen

By Ron Yokom
Basketball Writer

A large, enthusiastic crowd came to the Alcona High School gym for the final basketball game before the holidays, between the Posen Vikings and the Alcona Tigers, and what a game it was.

Posen is always well coached, plays smart basketball and is very competitive. Last Monday night was no exception. Alcona survived a physical game and fought its way to an exciting 66-60 win.

The Tigers jumped out to an 8-4 lead on two field goals each by Bryan Layton and Jared Steiner. Then the Vikings went on a 9-0 run to take the lead 13-10. The first quarter ended with Posen leading 15-14.

Alcona battled back to tie the game at 20 early in the second quarter and finished the period with a 6-0 run to take a 30-22 lead to the locker room at halftime.

Layton had 12 first half points and Steiner scored 10. Alcona outscored Posen 16-7 in the second period by executing a good solid de-

fense that did not allow Posen many open looks. Even though Posen was smaller than Alcona they crashed the boards aggressively and that kept them close.

Posen came out of the locker room fired up and could not miss, going on a 13-0 surge that wiped out Alcona's eight-point lead and gave the Vikings a 35-30 lead. They made their first five shots -- including three three-pointers. They also went to a 1-3-1 zone defense that completely shut down the Tigers. They outscored Alcona 23-7 and took a 45-37 lead into the final period.

At this point it did not look

good for the Tigers. They could not make a shot, lost patience, and appeared sluggish on defense.

But, Alcona made some adjustments on offense while Posen stayed in the 1-3-1 zone. And Layton decided it was time to take over the offense. He started the final period with a three-pointer, and made three free throws. After Brock LaVergne put back an offensive rebound, Layton hit three consecutive three-pointers that gave Alcona a 54-52 lead.

After Posen tied the game Layton hit another jump shot to give the lead back to Alcona. The Vikings could not

regain the lead after that. The Tigers never had more than a five point lead but more than matched Posen basket for basket.

LaVergne scored seven of Alcona's final 11 points with put backs and free throws. Alcona outscored Posen 29-15 to take the victory and improve their record to 3-1.

It was a physical, hard fought game by both teams and well played. Alcona committed only 11 turnovers and Posen 10. Alcona had 28 rebounds to Posen's 23. Again the trio of Layton, LaVergne and Steiner scored the bulk of Alcona's points.

Layton had a career game with 29 points and six rebounds. LaVergne added 16 points and six rebounds. Steiner hit for 10 points with six assists. Aaron Ritchie added five points, Brandon Gibson had four and Andy Cammack had two points. Cammack did not play very much because of foul trouble. Gibson had a very good defensive game.

The 4-0 junior varsity team easily defeated Posen 58-11 in a game shortened by a running clock for the final quarter and a half. Brandon Smigelski led the JV Tigers with 11 points and Cody Franklin added eight.

Michigan students enjoy Mackinac experience

For Jeff Dykehouse, curator of natural history at Mackinac State Historic Parks, holding a mounted beaver in one hand and an animal skull in the other isn't strange -- it's just another day at the office.

The mount and skull are just two props he uses to help illustrate the cycle of nature during his high-energy presentation, "Water, Woods and Wildlife."

Throughout the fall and winter, Dykehouse travels to schools throughout northern Michigan with his interactive road show, augmenting teachers' curriculum to help children learn about the impact they can have on Michigan's natural environment.

"I try to get kids excited about this," said Dykehouse. "To many of them, natural history is not as exciting as playing video games. If I can just get them more excited, I think they'll want to learn more about natural history, and the more they learn about it the more they'll want to protect and preserve it. That's my ultimate goal."

With two large boxes full of props (including mounts,



Jeff Dykehouse explores the cycle of life with school children in his Water, Woods and Wildlife presentation. Photos courtesy of Michigan DNR.

animal skulls, birdcalls and posters), Dykehouse will explain the differences between carnivores, herbivores and omnivores as well as the roles of decomposers, producers and consumers in the food chain and the food cycle.

During the hour-long program, four volunteers each hang a photo of the sun, a plant, a deer or a coyote

around their necks to demonstrate the structure of a food chain. Students learn to identify the difference between the "swoosh" of a goose feather and the silence of an owl's.

Students also learn about the Great Lakes' watershed and the many ways that it interconnects with the animals of Michigan, compare

the size and depth of the Great Lakes, view a satellite photograph of the region, and experience the look and feel of mounts, pelts and skulls of the many animals that depend on the watershed for life.

"Many students don't realize how lucky we are to live in

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Obituaries

Anne C. Moore

Anne Catherine Moore, 88, died at home in Harrisville on Friday, Dec. 23, 2011 accompanied by family and friends.

She was born July 12, 1923, in Harrisville, the daughter of Hugh and Catherine (MacGillis) MacMaster.

She was raised on a family farm in Alcona County homesteaded in 1876 by her grandfather.

She attended Wilson School through eighth grade and graduated from Oscoda High School in 1944.

Her first employment was at Wurtsmith Air Force Base where she was a secretary at the base hospital. She later worked for the base commander as office manager.

She married Ralph Moore in April 1953 at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville.

They traveled overseas during Mr. Moore's service in the U.S. Air Force. They

settled in Columbus, Ohio, where she worked for the dean of the home economics department at Ohio State University.

In 1965, with her mom in failing health, they returned to Harrisville. In 1967, Mrs. Moore began her career as a deputy clerk in the Alcona County courthouse. Seven years later she was appointed Alcona County Clerk and held the position through 1992, when she retired having never lost an election.

Mrs. Moore is survived by four nephews, Hugh (Barbara) MacMaster of New Holland, Pa., Dr. John (Dr. Jaci Fitzgerald) MacMaster of Harrisville, Brian (Karen) MacMaster of Laingsburg, Mich. and Don (Dr. Tina Rossi) MacMaster of Alpena; and many greatnieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one brother, John MacMaster; and her husband,



Ralph on March 7, 2011.

A funeral Mass was held at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville on December 27, 2011.

Memorial contributions may be made to the youth group at St. Anne Catholic Church, Harrisville.

Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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Lewis L. Redmond

Lewis Lyle Redmond, 90, of Chula Vista, Calif., formerly of Curtisville, died on Saturday, Dec. 17, 2011, surrounded by his family in Chula Vista, Calif.

He was born in Curtisville on September 20, 1921 to Wesley and Bessie Redmond. He grew up on a farm in Curtisville.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Force in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

After the war he studied for the Methodist ministry, graduating from Albion College in 1950 and receiving his Masters of Divinity degree from the Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary of Northwestern University, in Evanston, Illinois in 1953.

He married Norma Waters on March 8, 1946 at Preston Methodist Episcopal Church in Detroit, Mich.

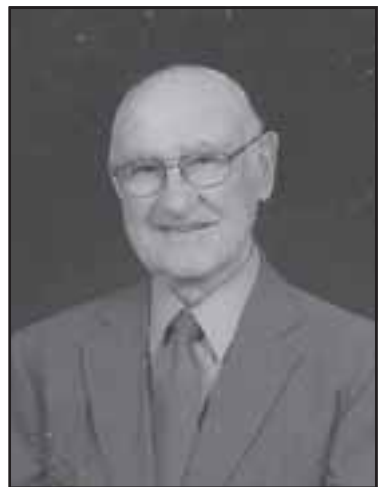
He retired from the active ministry in 1981 and spent

his retirement years with friends and family in Curtisville, Michigan Heights, Fla. and Chula Vista, Calif.

The Rev. Redmond is survived by his wife, Norma; five sons, James (Jane) Redmond of Rose City, Mich., Paul (Mandy) Redmond of Rocky Ripple, Ind., John (Irene) Thompson of Detroit, Mich., Joseph (Rosie) Barela of Flat Rock, Mich. and Richard (Mavis) Redmond of Chula Vista, Calif.; four daughters, Diane (fiancée John Seely) Redmond of Arlington, Va., Marcia (Mark) Sedgeman of St. Clair Shores, Mich., Margaret (Charles) Squires of Detroit, Mich. and Sidney (Frank) Boyce of Big Stone Gap, Va.; 15 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Robert, in 1976.

The funeral was held December 23 at Glennie United Methodist Church. Interment



was in Curtisville Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Glennie United Methodist Church, 5088 Bamfield Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737, or the Curtisville Baptist Church, 3169 Curtisville Road, South Branch, Mich. 48761.

Arrangements were handled by Buresh Funeral Home, Hale Chapel.

Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2000/2010

Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	Dec. 18	35		27	0.02	3.8
Dec. 19	40	29	0.00	3.0	24	SW
Dec. 20	34	27	0.00	2.5	24	N
Dec. 21	37	28	0.00	0.0	8	NNE
Dec. 22	37	24	0.01	1.9	18	W
Dec. 23	27	19	0.02	1.3	16	N
Dec. 24	33	25	0.00	4.2	22	SW

Precipitation Summary (Inches) 2011-2012

	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.05	1.5	0.39
December to Date	0.46	1.9	1.41
Year/Season to Date	33.06	1.9	27.98

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.)

Two computers available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for seniors over age 60 to use at the Lincoln Senior Center. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

The planning committee for Mikado Days 2012 will meet at 7 p.m. at the Mikado Civic Center, 2291 S. F-41. For information or to volunteer, call (989) 736-7721.

Come inside where it's warm and walk in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. No charge. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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Music with Roseanne Armstrong at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

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Sewing with Jennie Anderson from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Music with Roseanne Armstrong at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Rd. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

The Alcona 4-H Archery Club will be holding registration from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Youth of all abilities with an interest in archery are welcome to attend and register for the 12 week program. Enrollment fee is \$10 to join any 4-H club as well as \$2 per week for dues. For more information, call Les Thomas (989) 724-6478.

Digital download to your laptop instruction from 9:15 to 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call, (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

Bible study at 3 p.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, on the corner of US-23 and Medor Road north of Harrisville. For more information, call (989) 335-4054.

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warm and walk in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. No charge. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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Alcona retirees meet for lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

There will be an Epiphany celebration at 6 p.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, on the corner of US-23 and Medor Road, Harrisville.

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Two computers available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for seniors over age 60 to use at the Lincoln Senior Center. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Video exercising at 1 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Popcorn and a movie at 2:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

The academy award winning film "Gandhi" will be shown at 2 p.m. in the George N. Fletcher Alpena County Public Library conference room. This event is open to the public at no charge.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28

New laptop set up class from 9:15 to 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Call, (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m., meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. Call, (989) 739-4483 or (989) 278-9674 for more information.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

Spruce Lutheran Church will offer an emergency food pantry from 1 to 3 p.m. No qualifying ID required. Volunteers needed at the pantry, call Donna at (989) 727-2521.

The third annual and 112th Audubon Christmas bird count will be held in the Sturgeon Point and Harrisville circle at 10 a.m. at the Harrisville State Park contact station in the circle parking lot. For more information, call Frank (989) 724-3056.

MONDAY, JANUARY 2

Foot clinic with Connie Cosbett, R.N., at the Lincoln Senior Center from 1 to 5 p.m. Cost is \$25. Call for an appointment at (989) 736-8879.

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Local Notes

Lighting Contest Winners

The Barton City Improvement Association judged the annual lighting contest on December 21. The winners are: Roy Summers - Best Yard; Dick and Daisy Bradley - Best Theme; and Russell Rocket - Best House. Several displays received honorable mention: Marlene Pear, Sam Parker and Al Tischendorf. The community of Barton City appreciates all of the residents who helped install the holiday decorations in town.

Away at School

Nickalus Cleon Rau, of Harrisville, graduated from Ferris State University on December 17 with a bachelor's degree in social work. His senior year was highlighted by being elected president of the Ferris State University Social Work Association as well as being named to the dean's list for academic achievement. He is the son of Dennis and Carla Rau of Harrisville. He is a 2008 graduate of Alcona High School.

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 or (989) 735-5191 by 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

- Monday, Jan. 2—Chili cheese dog, oven fried potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, and fruit.

- Tuesday, Jan. 3—Sweet and sour chicken over rice, winter blend vegetables, orange fluff salad and fruit.

- Wednesday, Jan. 4—Beef roast, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruited Jell-O and fruit.

- Thursday, Jan. 5—Pork roast, garlic red potato, carrots, apple sauce, and fruit crisp.

- Friday, Jan. 6—Smothered chicken breast, buttered rotini, green beans, marinated carrots and fruit

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Sign Regulation Workshops

The new Michigan Sign Guidebook is the focus of five sign regulation workshops to be held on the following dates and locations (registration starts half an hour before the program starts):

- Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2012: Holiday Inn Express, Petoskey, Mich. (5-9 p.m.);

- Thursday, Jan. 12, 2012: Pittsfield Township Hall, Ann Arbor, Mich. (12:30 - 4:30 p.m.);

- Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012: DPS Community Room, Big Rapids, Mich. (5-9 p.m.);

- Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2012: M-TEC Center, Kalamazoo, Mich. (5-9 p.m.);

- Thursday, Jan. 19, 2012: Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth, Mich. (5-9 p.m.).

The programs are sponsored by Scenic Michigan (www.scenicmichigan.org) and delivered by the Planning and Zoning Center at MSU. Early registration is \$45. For a brochure and more information, visit www.pzcenter.msu.edu.

Ag Education Expo

The first Michigan Ag Commodities Education Expo will take place on January 26, 2012, at the Lansing Center in Lansing, Mich. With this program, Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) is bringing farmers and agriculture professionals with interests in grain, forage and food animal production together to learn more about: Future marketing conditions, changing weather and its influence on crop production, environmental regulations, sustainability, and managing oil and gas resources. Learn more at <http://bit.ly/MACEE>. Early registration must be by January 5, 2012.

Police Report

The Michigan State Police, Alpena post, is looking for help in an investigation in northern Alcona County.

According to a Crime Stoppers press release, "a hunting camp located in the 5300 block of Hubbard Lake Trail in Alcona County was discovered by its owner to have been burned to the ground and the building a total loss. The fire occurred sometime between August 5 and September 25."

Anyone with information about this fire is asked to call Crime Stoppers at (800) 422-JAIL and a tip number will be provided. If after calling Crime Stoppers the caller wishes to provide further information, he or she may contact the Michigan State Police Alpena Post at (989) 354-4101. The information will remain confidential and a caller may remain anonymous. Crime Stoppers may pay up to a \$1,000 reward for information that assists in the arrest of those responsible for this crime.



Carl Gehres of Harrisville shot this 250 pound 20-point buck at Allen Creek Ranch near Baldwin, Mich. on the last day of rifle season. It scored 211 2/8 on the Boone and Crocket scale. *Courtesy photo.*

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the middle of the Great Lakes and how valuable fresh water is," Dykehouse said. "In the future, we will all come to the conclusion that our most valuable natural resource is fresh water."

"Water, Woods and Wildlife" is one of two programs offered by Mackinac State Historic Parks (MSHP) in its 24th season of education outreach. The second program, "Historic Mackinac on Tour," focuses on early Michigan fur-trade history in the Straits of Mackinac and features presenters dressed as French voyageurs, British redcoats and other historic characters.

Not limited to just northern Michigan, the "Historic Mackinac on Tour" program reaches large numbers of students in Detroit, Lansing and Grand Rapids - bringing the Straits of Mackinac to the classroom with costumes, props, music, dancing and other interactive and educational elements.

"We make history come alive," said Jim Evans, Mackinac State Historic Parks (MSHP) program presenter. "It's a different way of teaching students than just using textbooks." Evans, who plays a British redcoat during presentations, is also the lead interpreter at Colonial Michilimackinac in Mackinaw City, Mich.

The hour-long "Historic Mackinac on Tour" program introduces students from across Michigan to Mackinac history through interactive and entertaining activities. Students learn about the fur trade by trading a bale of fur for a woolen blanket coat. A few brave student volunteers can try on authentic period clothing and then lead the class in the group paddle dance, where two students join hands and skip between rows of their peers while fiddle music plays. Other high-energy activities include fire starting with flint and steel and, if permitted, the firing of a musket outside.

"During this age, the kids are wide-eyed and full of wonder," said Dennis Havlena, program presenter and French fur trader. "The kids are thinking they'll get a history lecture, but we come in with a trunk full of fiddles, furs, bagpipes, clothing to dress up in, flint and steel to light fires, and we expose them to one thing after another. You can't find a wandering eye among them."

Havlena created the program in 1989 and has more than 31 years of experience with the parks, including many years as the lead interpreter at Fort Mackinac on Mackinac Island, Mich.

The musical time bridge between songs is also demonstrated during the program on a historic musical instrument commonly called the jaw harp. Havlena begins by playing a song from the mid-1700s called "The Rose Tree." By the mid-1800s, the tempo sped up and the song became known as "Turkey in the Straw." By 2008, the song had eventually evolved into a song well-known by many



Mackinac State Historic Parks interpreter Jim Evans poses in colonial-area costume with two school children.

children and adults today, "Do Your Ears Hang Low?"

"It's the same song as 'The Rose Tree,'" Havlena said. "It's the same melody. I present the musical time bridge to make the connection between past and present. I relate something they know well to something they don't recognize, and that connection is made."

Nearly 200,000 students from across Michigan will have participated in MSHP's

education outreach programs by April 2012. Recognizing the financial strain many school districts are facing, the programs are partially funded by Mackinac Associates, a nonprofit friends group that supports MSHP's programs.

For more information about Mackinac State Historic Parks and its education outreach programs, visit www.mackinacparks.com or call (231) 436-4100.

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We thank all of you, our friends and neighbors, for your kindness and support at the time of the loss of our dear aunt, Anne Moore.

A special thanks goes out to the many caregivers who gave Anne such skillful and tender care over the years of her last illness.

*Reverend Robert Bissot,
Paster of St. Anne Church*

Reverend Martha Hartman, Hospice Chaplain

*Veronica Brown • Gwen Fink
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Thanks forever to Dr. Jaci Fitzgerald, who lived as a daughter to Anne, caring for her with a joyful love that any mother would cherish.

The MacMaster Family

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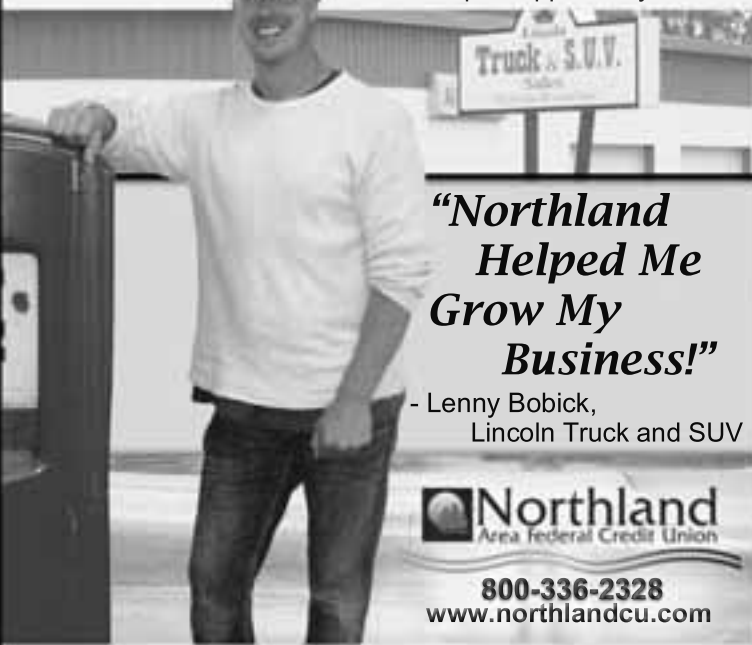
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Grade	Openings
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2	No Availability
3	No Availability
4	No Availability
5	No Availability
6	No Availability
7	No Availability
8	No Availability
9	No Availability
10	No Availability
11	No Availability
12	No Availability

MISSION STATEMENT
The mission of Alcona Community Schools in partnership with our community, is to educate and empower each student to become a caring, responsible, competent world citizen.

There are no available seats for the 2011-2012 2nd semester at Alcona Community Schools. No applications will be available until later summer of 2012 when Fall Schools of Choice window will open. If you have any questions, please refer them to the District offices of Alcona Community Schools during normal hours at 989-736-6212.

12-21 & 12-28

Christmas birding in Alcona County

By Mary Weber
Special to the Review

What a delight this year as Christmas Eve in Alcona County included scenery taken right out of a winter holiday movie set. Lovely sparkling white flakes of snow lightly adorned every tree in the forest and patches of white glistened on the fields.

As I looked out the window last Saturday watching a male cardinal gently perch on our snow covered feeder, it occurred to me why so many artists include cardinals in

wintry scenes that have adorned Christmas cards for centuries. His vivid red feathers against the white background were breathtakingly beautiful.

I love watching birds anytime of the year; each season brings something new and exciting fluttering by our windows. Winter can offer an advantage to the backyard birder that may not be available to them at other times of the year. While it might not be the most delightful time to see goldfinch, who exchanged their bright yellow for a drab greenish brown months ago, it can be the perfect time to see birds that are usually hidden by trees full of leaves, or birds, such as the cardinal, that stand out boldly against a snow covered background.

Bird watching has probably existed since the inception of man himself and it still thrills and excites people of all ages to this day.

Before the 20th century, many birds were routinely hunted throughout the year. A holiday tradition, then known as the Christmas Side Hunt, would send teams out on Christmas day with their guns and whichever team brought back the largest pile of feathers and fur won.

Alcona's Backyard

Bird watchers and scientists became concerned about the declining bird populations, so on Christmas Day 1900, an officer in the newly formed Audubon Society, ornithologist Frank Chapman, proposed a new holiday – a Christmas Bird Census. Twenty-five Christmas bird counts were held that day ranging from Ontario to California. Just 27 dedicated birders tallied around 90 species on all the counts combined.

Today thousands throughout the Americas take part in the annual count that now runs from mid December through the first week of January. This year marks the 112th Audubon Christmas Bird Count.

Generations of all ages and all levels of bird watching experience sport field guides and binoculars and forage together to contribute to conservation as well as experience the beauty of nature up close and personal.

The information compiled from the bird count data is used by Audubon and other organizations to assess the health of bird populations and help guide conservation action.

This year will mark the third Audubon Christmas Bird Count in the Sturgeon Point and Harrisville circle area. It will be held Saturday, Dec. 31 at the Harrisville State Park contact station in the circle parking lot at 10 a.m. For more information on this bird count, contact Frank Apsey at (989) 724-3056.

Despite the weather, birds on the shore of Lake Huron are plentiful and a delight to see. Why look at a scene on a card, when you may have the opportunity to see the real thing in person?

(Mary Weber, born and raised in the suburbs of Detroit, moved to Alcona County in 2005 with her husband, Willy, when he retired.)

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The Garden Bug

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NOTICE OF BID

The Village of Lincoln is accepting bids for snow removal along sidewalks within the Village. The removal process will encompass a total of five blocks and run from January 3, 2012 to April 15, 2012. Sidewalks included will be: East and west sides of Second Street from Main Street to Traverse Bay State Road and the north and south side of Traverse Bay State Road from Second Street to Church Street.

Requirements include: Coordinating with the Village Maintenance Department for removal of snow to the Village streets. Said coordination may include removing snow at specific times in conjunction with the removal of snow from the Village Streets. The snow on the sidewalks shall be removed only after there has been an accumulation of three or more inches of snow. If a blade or blower is used, it must have a plastic runner on the bottom. References must be shown upon request and bidder must present insurance/bond information. Sealed bids will be accepted through January 2nd, 2012 and will be opened at the regular meeting of the Village Council on Tuesday January 3rd, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., at the Village Hall, 117 W. Fiske Street, Lincoln,. The Village reserves the right to reject any and all bids for any reason.

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Alcona VFW Post 6466 honors the winners of the 2011-2012 Voice of Democracy contest. (From left) Alcona High School English teacher Dan O'Connor, first place winner Brittany Joyce, second place winner Kendra Cole, third place winner Missy Hayes, VFW Post 6466 commander Ron Skiba and Voice of Democracy chairman Tom Zurcher. The theme for this year's Voice of Democracy contest is "Does my generation have a role in America's future?" The first place winner will compete in the district finals held on January 7, 2012 in Houghton Lake Heights, Mich. at VFW Post 4034. *Courtesy photo.*

Bowling

Early Bloomers

December 20

Marigolds	222	162
Buttercups	209.5	174.5
Tigerlilys	203	181
Rosebuds	201.5	182.5
Bluebells	193	191
Mums	183.5	200.5
Daffodils	179.5	204.5
Violets	160	224
High game and series: Tammy Hurt Mendyka, 211 and 555.		
High team game and series: Tigerlilys, 468 and 1,349.		

Wednesday Nite Women's

December 21

Other Team	140	100
Stoney Acres	130.5	109.5
Alcona Tool	125	115
Back Alley	120	120
Alcona Abstr.	116.5	123.5
Cole's Appl.	113.5	126.5
Ark Plumbing	112.5	127.5
JB's Auto	102	138
High game: Ruth Travis, 211.		
High series: Jenny Buchner, 564.		
High handicap game: Kathy Smith, 252 and Ronnie Miller, 252.		
High handicap series: Sherry Klukowski, 672.		

Huron

December 20

Gary Oil	26	159.5
Rob's Repair	4	139.5
Back Alley	26	130
Mancino's	15	128
Hart Tire	15	126
B & D	18	98.5
Carpet One	12	92
Big Joe's	4	86.5
High game: Tom Sharboneau, 234.		
High series: Roger Klukowski Jr., 682.		
High handicap game: Nate Barden, 280.		
High handicap series: Roger Klukowski Jr., 712.		

He's & She's

December 16

Gamblers	171	69
Ballbangers	156	84
Two and Too	149	91
Team Joey's	125	115
Bowler Up	115	125
Blue Jay	86.5	153.5
Handicapped	85	143
An Attitude	68.5	171.5

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Alcona Lodge No. 292 installed its 2012 officers on December 10. (Front row, from left): Gary Malone, Dick Bailey, Norm Buckler, David Shores, Joe Olah, Jerry Brown, David Redman, (back row) Kevin Friddle, Eric Wagner, Mark Lewis, Mike Kerr and Ben Planck. (Not pictured) Bob Merkle, Gary Cattin and David Bastion. *Courtesy photo.*

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Reaching our goals

Senior News Line
By Matilda Charles

Where do you want to be a year from now? Are there goals you'd like to accomplish in 2012 but don't feel they're possible? Far too many of us perceive there are limits that hold us back as we get older. Some of those limits are surmountable, however, with a little analyzing and planning.

Start by writing down your goals for 2012. Be specific. Then look at what might be holding you back. Explore the ways you can make it happen.

Do you like museums and theater but can't afford the fees? Call and ask if there are discounts that aren't advertised, senior discounts or "pay what you can" matinees.

Do you want to read more books this year? If your vision is not what it was, make an eye appointment. Look for those page-size magnifying glasses. Can't get to the library very often? Call to ask if it has a book van or will mail books. Or barter with a friend that drives, and include lunch out.

Need to make home re-

pairs or paint your living room but don't want to be up on a ladder anymore? Hire someone to help with the stipulation that you'll do part of the work.

Want to volunteer but don't know how to start? Call the senior center or the humane society and tell them you have a free morning every week. They'll put you to work!

Are your goals more along the lines of health and fitness? Consult your doctor and ask for advice. Perhaps he can recommend a local seniors exercise program.

Reaching our goals is possible! Sometimes we only have to ask questions to find the answers.

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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Bowling Scores

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Men's high game and series: Jimmy Armstrong, 247 and 691.
 Men's high handicap game: Tom Giglio, 256.
 Men's high handicap series: Jimmy Armstrong, 691.
 Women's high game: Sue Weichel, 213.
 Women's high series: Jeannie Berney, 578.
 Women's high handicap game: Sue Weichel, 253.
 Women's high handicap series: Jeannie Berney, 719.

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Balls On Ya	25	127
Baymoor	21	126
L.L.W. Club	12	110.5
Top O'Mich.	18	134
Phil's Barber	9	133
Cole's Appl.	5	111
Ghost Buster	11	52

High game and series: Jimmy Armstrong, 300 and 824.
 High handicap game and series: Ray Medore, 325 and 844.

Pool League

Alcona Women's December 22

Mikado Legion	80
Mikado Tavern	62
Back Alley	54
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On Thursday, Jan. 12 and Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012 you can call toll free (888) 919-2345 anytime between 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. eastern standard time, and a NAPFA advisor will be standing by to answer your financial and retirement questions. Or, if you prefer, you can participate in an online discussion on these same dates through Kiplinger's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/KiplingerPersonalFinance.

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Alcona County Sheriff's Report

For the Week of December 19-25, 2011

53 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 3 Arrests.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	8	Property Damage	10
General Assistance	2	False Alarm	5
Burglary	2	Domestic	1
Dog/Animal	3	Operate While Intoxicated	1
911 Hang Up	1	Larceny	1
Well Being Check	1	Miscellaneous	2
Suspicious Events	3	Suspicious Vehicle	1
Medical	1	Patrol Check	4
Trespassing	1	Threats/Harrasment	2
Warrants	3	Assault and Battery	1
Open Door	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	6	Caledonia	4	Curtis	8
Greenbush	3	Gustin	4	Harrisville	3
Hawes	8	Haynes	5	Mikado	2
Millen	0	Mitchell	5		
Harrisville City	4	Village of Lincoln	1		

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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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 Sunday school 10 a.m. Wednesday 6 p.m. Patch the Pirate Club, children's ministry. Wednesday 6 p.m. midweek service (preaching and prayer service).



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

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



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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



Spruce Presbyterian Church

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

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH



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 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class at 11 a.m.
 Pastor Robert L. Mikkelson • (989) 727-2496

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158 N. Barlow Road., Harrisville • (989) 736-6350
 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

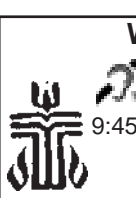


Our Savior Lutheran Church

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

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



Westminster Presbyterian Church U.S.A.

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Michigan state parks capture top national award

Michigan state parks and recreation areas have won the 2011 National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Gold Medal for the top state park system in the nation. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) was noti-

fied recently by the American Academy for Park and Recreation Administration and NRPA.

Michigan was named one of four finalists in May, and beat North Carolina, Florida and Missouri for the top honor.

"This award is a credit to the people of Michigan," said Michigan Governor Rick Snyder, who recently appointed a blue-ribbon panel to guide the parks system into the future.

"For more than 90 years, Michiganders have realized that these unique areas are an integral part of the cultural enhancement, economic enrichment and overall quality of life that we value. Our parks are what we make of them and the people of this state clearly prize these treasures," Snyder said. "I commend the DNR for its out-

standing stewardship of these resources and look forward to working with all stakeholders so that we have a parks system that serves our state and its visitors for generations to come."

The Gold Medal Award honors communities throughout the United States that demonstrate excellence in long-range planning, resource management, and agency recognition. Each agency is judged on its ability to address the needs of those it serves through the collective energies of citizens, staff, and elected officials.

"We are very proud to receive this award, and I want to recognize the employees of the Parks and Recreation Division who have worked hard to make sure our 99 state parks and recreation areas remain excellent places for our citizens and visitors to experience Michigan's abundant and amazing natural resources," said DNR Director Rodney Stokes. "This is the result of teamwork, talent and vision that is aimed at protecting our special places, and also making sure that visitors have an enjoyable, high quality experience."

In its winning application, the DNR focused on innovation, such as the Recreation Passport, which is the new funding model for state parks and outdoor recreation in Michigan. The \$10 optional fee that Michigan residents can pay when renewing their vehicle registration at the Secretary of State gives them annual access to all Michigan state parks and boating access sites and also supports state forest recreation programs. A portion of the funding also supports a grant program for local parks.

"This achievement is indicative of the tremendous staff who works in the Parks and Recreation Division, who strive for excellent customer service every day to provide a positive experience for our customers," said DNR Parks and Recreation Chief Ron Olson. "This is the result of teamwork, talent and vision, all aimed at protecting our special places and making sure that visitors have an enjoyable, high-quality experience."

Michigan is home to 99 state parks and recreation areas, offering visitors more than 13,000 campsites, trails, access to inland lakes, rivers and the Great Lakes.

For more information on state parks in Michigan, go to www.michigan.gov/stateparks.

NOTICE
There will be a special meeting of the Alcona County Board of Road Commissioners on Saturday, January 7, 2012, beginning at 8:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office at 301 N. Lake Street, Lincoln, Michigan, for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the Managing Director position.

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Seven Day Forecast

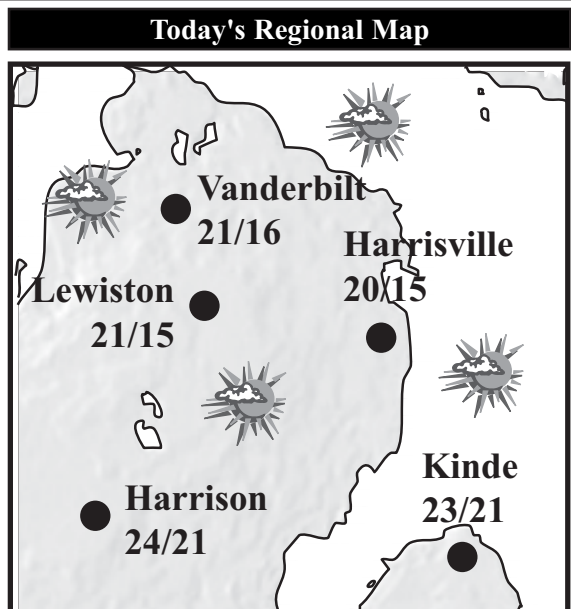
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THURSDAY
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FRIDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 34 Low: 28

SATURDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 34 Low: 29

SUNDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 37 Low: 28



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 20°, humidity of 62%. Northwest wind 10 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 56° set in 1982. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 30% chance of snow, overnight low of 15°. South wind 5 to 10 mph. The record low for tonight is -9° set in 1967.

***Last Week's Almanac**

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	40	26	30/16	0.00"
Tuesday	32	24	30/16	0.00"
Wednesday	36	22	30/15	0.01"
Thursday	34	21	29/15	0.06"
Friday	24	18	29/15	0.05"
Saturday	32	20	29/14	0.00"
Sunday	36	29	29/14	0.00"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

First 1/1 (Waxing Crescent)

Full 1/9 (Full Moon)

Last 1/16 (Waning Crescent)

New 1/23 (New Moon)

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	8:09 a.m.	5:00 p.m.	10:24 a.m.	9:47 p.m.
Thursday	8:09 a.m.	5:01 p.m.	10:49 a.m.	10:51 p.m.
Friday	8:10 a.m.	5:02 p.m.	11:13 a.m.	11:53 p.m.
Saturday	8:10 a.m.	5:03 p.m.	11:36 a.m.	Next Day
Sunday	8:10 a.m.	5:04 p.m.	11:59 a.m.	12:54 a.m.
Monday	8:10 a.m.	5:04 p.m.	12:25 p.m.	1:55 a.m.
Tuesday	8:10 a.m.	5:05 p.m.	12:55 p.m.	2:56 a.m.

Local UV Index

0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated snow today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 49° in Salisbury, Md. The Southeast will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 79° in Marathon Key, Fla. The Northwest will see partly cloudy to cloudy skies with scattered rain and snow today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 62° in Colville, Wash. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 76° in Ramona, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

Planet	Rise	Set
Mercury	6:30 a.m.	3:37 p.m.
Venus	10:16 a.m.	7:39 p.m.
Mars	10:59 p.m.	12:02 p.m.
Jupiter	1:15 p.m.	2:48 a.m.
Saturn	2:26 a.m.	1:23 p.m.
Uranus	12:08 p.m.	12:14 a.m.

Weather History

Dec. 28, 1987 - A winter storm produced heavy snow in the upper Mississippi Valley and the upper Great Lakes region. Up to twenty inches of snow buried southern Minnesota, and 20 to 40 mph winds produced snow drifts six feet high and reduced visibilities to near zero.

Weather Trivia

Is there a difference between a frost and a hard freeze?

Answer: A hard freeze is when the temperature is 26 degrees or less for four hours. It does not need to be this cold for frost to form.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Cold Quadrantids Await

The one page article in Sky and Telescope magazine began with "Have you ever seen a single Quadrantid meteor? I smiled because I had seen a whole bunch of them back in the mid-1970s. My single Quadrantid observing experience involved taking a group of students to Pulpit Rock, my local astronomy club's dark sky observing site west of Allentown, PA. The evening started cold and windy, but clear. Then it got partly cloudy; and then it snowed for a while. Afterwards it got even colder. One of my students forgot his gloves. He was the lucky one because he got banished to the car. Those were the days when observing meant staying out the entire night; that's 15 hours in early January. You may have already guessed that my stalwart group and I did not last for more than a couple hours—four to be exact. But we did see Quadrantid meteors flash in between scudding low clouds and more during a few clear patches. Except for the big chill that comes along with winter star watching, this year is idea for Quadrantid viewing. The shower peaks between 2-3 a.m., EST, January 4th, and the moon sets by 3 a.m. The Quadrantid shower has a very short duration of maximum activity, so by 5 a.m. things should be pretty much over. Be outside by 1:30 a.m. Face NE and observe near the zenith, usually the darkest part of the sky. If shooting stars seem to be fanning away from a location below and to the left of the Big Dipper's handle, you will be seeing Quadrantid meteors. Make sure head, hands, and feet are well insulated against the cold. Long johns are a must and so is a sleeping bag. Consider purchasing disposable charcoal hand and feet warmers from a local hardware store for added comfort from the cold. Remember, even if you see nothing, the best part of Quadrantid watching is the long, hot shower that awaits your reentry into the house at the end of the night. www.astronomy.org

Super Crossword

Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

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TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Which youth group's slogan is "Learn by doing"?
- TELEVISION:** Who was the German commandant of Stalag 13 in TV's "Hogan's Heroes"?
- U.S. GOVERNMENT:** Which state did Harry Byrd represent in the U.S. Senate for 32 years?
- INVENTORS:** Who was the inventor of the first practical process of photography?
- MYTHOLOGY:** Who was the Greek goddess Persephone?
- HISTORY:** What did Jack Ruby, who killed JFK assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, do for a living?
- SPORTS:** When was the Stanley Cup first awarded?
- THEATER:** Tennessee Williams won a Pulitzer Prize for which one of his plays in 1948?
- GEOGRAPHY:** The city of Cartagena, Spain, lies next to which body of water?
- EXPLORERS:** What was the nationality of polar explorer Roald Amundsen?

Answers: 1. 4-H; 2. Col. Wilhelm Klink; 3. Virginia; 4. Louis Daguerre; 5. Queen of the underworld; 6. Ruby was a Dallas nightclub owner; 7. 1893; 8. "A Streetcar Named Desire"; 9. Mediterranean Sea; 10. Norwegian (c) 2011 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword | WITNESS

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| ACROSS | 56 Noah's eldest | 93 Pickable | 8 Novelist Seton | 44 Mother Judd | 84 Mind — matter |
| 1 Cheryl of "Charlie's Angels" | 57 Cornmeal concoction | 94 Part 5 of remark | 9 "Tobacco Road" character | 45 Jerkin | 85 Actor McDowall |
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| 9 "Sister —" ('92 film) | 62 Surround | 100 Dweeb | 11 Try out | 47 Movie piglet | 90 Heifer or hen |
| 12 Rodeo ropes | 63 West ender? | 101 Empower | 12 Drink like a dachshund | 49 Boxer Tyson | 91 Good speller? |
| 18 "America's Most Wanted" info | 64 Greene of "Bonanza" | 102 Dernier — | 13 '92 Disney film | 53 Taciturn | 92 Cal. page |
| 20 Panache | 65 Author LeShan | 103 Bear's advice | 14 Audiophile's equipment | 54 Teatime treat | 95 Like |
| 21 Chase away gray | 66 Picturesque | 105 Puppy bark | 15 Ward of "Sisters" | 56 Where the gulls are | 96 mother-of-pearl, often |
| 22 Changes | 68 — shui | 107 Role for Liz | 16 French airport | 57 Quaker colonist | 98 Lama kin |
| 23 Start of a remark by Gene Perret | 69 Switch-board abbr. | 111 Stout | 17 Govt. agency | 59 As a result | 99 Starting at |
| 26 Rice dish | 70 Irish island group | 115 Reach | 19 Printer's stroke | 60 Link | 103 Neighbor of Niger |
| 27 Tangle | 71 Asian island | 117 End of remark | 24 Robert of "Rhapsody in Blue" | 61 Banned pesticide | 104 Christmas-tree topper |
| 28 Quahog, e.g. | 73 Joanne of "Red River" | 121 Hispanic | 25 Fireplace fragment | 62 Cordial | 106 Singer James |
| 29 Consumed a knish | 74 Cavalry weapon | 122 Cover the cake | 30 Practice piece | 66 "The Thief of Bagdad" star | 108 Mascagni opera |
| 31 Cart | 76 Spare part? | 123 The — Brothers | 33 Vintage | 67 Minos' realm | 109 Plumbing problem |
| 32 Altar oath | 79 French dynast | 124 Lofty spaces | 35 Manipulate | 68 Manumit | 110 "Cope Book" aunt |
| 34 Hair ball? | 80 Part 4 of remark | 125 Exchanged | 37 Bookkeeping entry | 69 Misjudge | 112 Heed |
| 36 "The — Is High" ('80 hit) | 83 — of passage | 126 Getz's instrument | 38 Dad-to-be, often | 71 Felllike fabric | 113 Punta del — |
| 38 Hazard | 84 University ordeal | 127 Sammy or Stubby | 39 Like Machu Picchu | 72 Eye-related | 114 Blood components |
| 42 Part 2 of remark | 86 Family vehicle | 128 No sweat | 40 Rock hound? | 73 Singer Shannon | 115 "— Coming" ('69 song) |
| 47 Bete noire | 87 A hole near the sole | | 41 Find out | 74 Ginger cookie | 116 Cockpit fig. |
| 48 Reserved | 88 Sten relative | | 42 Designer Gernreich | 75 One of the Yokums | 117 Head motion |
| 50 Mideast gulf | 89 Profess | | 43 Cowardly Lion Bert | 76 Antique | 118 John Ritter's dad |
| 51 Supp. | 90 Walked off with | | | 77 Like a lummo | 119 Language suffix |
| 52 Way in | | | | 78 — the bullet | 120 Weldon or Wray |
| 55 Lend a hand | | | | 79 Muck | |
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MOMENTS IN TIME
The History Channel
 • On Jan. 9, 1493, Christopher Columbus, sailing near the Dominican Republic, sees three "mermaids" and describes them as "not half as beautiful as they are painted." They were in reality manatees. Mythical mermaids have existed in seafaring cultures since the time of the ancient Greeks.
 • On Jan. 14, 1639, in Hartford, Conn., the first constitution in the American colonies, the "Fundamental Orders," is adopted. The Fundamental Orders declared that "the foundation of authority is in the free consent of the people."
 • On Jan. 10, 1901, a drilling derrick at Spindletop Hill near Beaumont, Texas, produces an enormous gusher of crude oil, signaling the advent of the American oil industry. The geyser flowed at an initial rate of approximately 100,000 barrels a day and took nine days to cap.
 • On Jan. 15, 1919, two million gallons of fiery hot molasses floods the streets of Boston, killing 21 people and a dozen horses. The molasses burst from a 58-foot-high tank in the heart of the city. An 8-foot-high wave of molasses swept away freight cars, knocked over the local firehouse and pushed over the support beams for the elevated train line.
 • On Jan. 13, 1939, Arthur "Doc" Barker is shot and killed while trying to escape from Alcatraz Prison in San Francisco Bay. Barker, of the notorious "Bloody Barkers" gang, was spotted on the rock-strewn shore of the island after climbing over the walls and tying pieces of wood together into a makeshift raft.
 • On Jan. 11, 1973, the owners of America's 24 major-league baseball teams vote to allow teams in the American League to use a "designated pinch-hitter" that could bat for the pitcher, while still allowing the pitcher to stay in the game.
 • On Jan. 12, 1984, a panel overseeing the restoration of the Great Pyramids in Egypt abandons modern construction techniques in favor of the method employed by the ancient Egyptians. Restorers stopped using mortar and adopted the system of interlocking blocks practiced by the original pyramid builders.
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STRANGE BUT TRUE
 by Samantha Weaver
 • It was American essayist Logan Pearsall Smith who made the following sage observation: It is the wretchedness of being rich that you have to live with rich people.
 • The word "avocado" is derived from a South American Indian word that means "testicle."
 • When the miniskirt was introduced to the world in the 1960s, the reaction was swift and often harsh. Women who wore them in the Malagasy Republic were sentenced to 10 days in jail. Congolese police arrested 300 women for wearing the new style, and Egyptian law branded the garment as indecent. In Caracas, Venezuela, the clergy got involved; churches admonished women to give up their minis or "be condemned to hell." Perhaps the seeming overreaction wasn't entirely unjustified, considering the effect the miniskirt had in some places. It was reported that two women wearing minis caused a two-hour traffic jam in downtown Cairo, and a 63-year-old man in Rio De Janeiro was sentenced to three days in jail after biting the legs of the miniskirt-clad woman seated next to him on a bus.
 • The first animated color TV commercial was broadcast in 1949, and it was created by none other than venerable children's book author Dr. Seuss. The ad was for the Ford Motor Company.
 • Historians say that Abraham Lincoln had a shrill, high-pitched voice rather than the deep and sonorous tones we usually hear when the 16th president is portrayed in film and television.
 • Those who study such things say that Americans' favorite T-shirt color is white, followed by blue and black.

 Thought for the Day: "If you have an important point, don't try to be subtle or clever. Use a pile driver. Hit the point once. Then come back and hit it again. Then hit it a third time — a tremendous whack."
 — Winston Churchill
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Weekly SUDOKU
 by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★ ★ ★

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GREENBUSH TWP. MINUTES

Greenbush Township Supervisor Ed Roddy called the meeting to order on Tuesday, Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. Six guests were present who joined in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call taken. Present: Supervisor Ed Roddy, clerk Art Winter, treasurer Pat Dailey, trustee Sally Olin and trustee Gary Abraham. Motion Olin/Dailey: To approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion Olin/Abraham: To accept the November minutes as written. Motion carried. Dave Dailey, first responder and fire fighter, addressed the board in reference to adding a public ADD to the Greenbush Township Hall. Some discussion. Motion Abraham/Olin: To approve the financial report and place on file for audit. Motion carried. The treasurer stated that she will hold office hours to pay taxes on Friday, Dec. 30 at her home at 3843 S. US-23 Greenbush, Mich. 48738. Any questions, contact Pat at (989) 739-5088. Motion Olin/Dailey: To pay November bills as presented - check numbers 14294-14325 - grand total: \$18,887.29; fire - \$1,823.27; remainder - \$17,063.92 being general fund; roads - \$17,554.64. Roll call vote: All ayes. Carried. Miscellaneous reports: Carolyn Brummund, county commissioner, brought the board up to speed on what is happening at the county. She stated veterans are in need of an individual on the A.C.V.A.C. Board which meets once a month. If interested, contact the county clerk or the veterans counselor. Some discussion. Dave Dailey, for chief Franks, stated five first responder calls for the month of November and no fire calls. Some discussion. Zoning administrator Major stated no permits and one complaint for the month of November. Some

discussion. Hall rentals - supervisor Roddy stated one rental this month. Assessor Schwickert gave a brief summary of what is happening at her level of assessing. Supervisor Roddy had correspondence that he shared with the board. One letter from the lawyer who is doing the work for us on the rental property in R-1. Some discussion. Pending business: Roads - new county road engineer as of March 2012. New business: Budget workshop to be held at the township fire hall on Wednesday, January 18 starting at 8 p.m. Election 2012: the whole board will be running again for four years. Resolution No. 11.01 regarding July and December board of review to change the days and times: Greenbush Township, Alcona County, Resolution No. 11.01; Regarding July and December board of review meetings - whereas, Greenbush Township finds it necessary to change the dates of the July and December board of review meetings to make it convenient for the assessor to attend these meetings. whereas, Public Act (PA) 122 of 2008, the state Legislature authorizes the township board, by resolution, to schedule the July and December boards of review meetings any day during the week commencing with the third Monday of July and commencing with them second Monday in December, to accommodate attendance at these meetings by the township assessor. Whereas, this resolution shall remain in effect until voided by another forthcoming township board. Now therefore, be it resolved, that the township of Greenbush does hereby authorize that the Wednesday following the third Monday of July and the Wednesday following the second Monday in December will be scheduled meeting days for those

Board of Review meetings. The foregoing resolution offered by board member Olin; second offered by board member Dailey. Upon roll call voted aye: Winter, Olin, Abraham, Dailey and Roddy. Nay: None. The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted. Greenbush Township Tax Abatement criteria was passed out and the supervisor recommended that everybody on the board read through the package, note their questions and bring them back to the board next month. Some discussion. Public comments: Cella Havercroft had questions pertaining to the water in front of her house at the south end of Timberlakes. She is getting little, if no satisfaction, from the road commission. Supervisor Roddy stated he would contact the road commission. Some discussion. Clerk Winter to contact furnace man to find out if it is necessary to split the zone in the main area. Clerk will follow up and return to the board. Some discussion. Greenbush Township residents: With a desire to keep the township running smooth. We (Greenbush Township) are in need of people to serve on the zoning board of appeals, planning commission and GRAC. If interested, please contact Art Winter, clerk, at (989) 724-6771 or a letter of intent to: Greenbush Township, c/o Art Winter, 2779 S. US-23, Greenbush, Mich. 48738; or any member of the Greenbush Township Board. Motion Abraham/Olin: To adjourn at 8:13 p.m. Art Winter Greenbush Township Clerk Note: Published prior to board approval. Next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2012 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall. Next regular scheduled planning commission meeting is Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 7 p.m. at the township hall.

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 Joann Blow, an unmarried woman A/K/A Joann S. Blow, original mortgagor(s), to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., mortgagee, dated April 23, 2004, and recorded on April 29, 2004 in Liber 399 on page 1,472, in Alcona County records, Michigan,

and assigned by said mortgagee to Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger 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 sixty-six thousand four hundred seventy-four and 33/100 dollars (\$66,474.33), including interest at three percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on January 4, 2012. Said premises are situated in township of Gustin, Alcona

County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 1, 2, 7 and 8, Block 9 and the north 132 feet of Block 16 of the village of Killmaster, a subdivision recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 13, Alcona County records. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: December 7, 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. 385914F01 12-7, 12-14, 12-21, 12-28

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LEGAL NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given that the United States of America, acting through an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will sell the following real property: Legal description: That part of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 35, T25N, R6E, Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan described as: commencing at the SW corner of Lot 16 of Gray's Supervisor Plat, a recorded plat as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 178; thence south 200 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing south 595 feet; thence east 388.014 feet; thence north 595 feet; thence west 388.014 feet to Point of Beginning.

This property is woodlands, and is land locked.

The property will be offered for sale by sealed bid. Terms for the sale are contained in Form FSA-2592, Invitation, Bid and Acceptance Sale of Real Property by the United States.

The successful bidder will be required to deposit 10 percent of their bid in the form of a cashier's check, certified check, postal or bank money order, or bank draft payable to Farm Service Agency, plus any other conditions relating to acceptance. Along with the general public this property is being offered for sale to all farmers or ranchers who are prevailing claimants in the civil action Pigford vs. Vilsack. Prevailing claimants may

exercise their right to priority consideration to purchase inventory property under the consent decree between the time of the advertisement and COB on the day the bids are due if they notify FSA, in writing, of their intent. A prevailing claimant can exercise priority consideration by writing or filing at the local FSA office.

This property is sold in its "as-is" condition. FSA sells all inventory properties by quitclaim deed and recommends that any buyer obtain an owners title insurance policy.

Please direct all inquiries to Betty Garrett, farm loan manager, at (989) 356-3596. All bids will be remitted on Form FSA - 2592 Invitation, Bid, and Acceptance Sale of Real Property by the United States including a 10 percent deposit. All bids will be accepted at the Farm Service Agency, 1900 W. M-32, Alpena, MI 49707 until close of business on January 13, 2012. The government reserves the right to cancel the sale at any time during the sale process and also reserves the right to reject any or all application or bids.

FSA credit assistance for financing the purchase of this property is currently not available.

The USDA Farm Service Agency is an equal opportunity employer. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue S.W. Washington D.C., 20250-9410, or call (800)795-3272 (voice) or (202) 720-6382 (TDD). 12-21, 12-28

Order for Service By Publication Posting and Notice of Action

State of Michigan,
Judicial District,
23 Judicial Circuit

James Scott, individually, and
James Scott, as next friend of Mariah
Scott, a minor v. Shain Karsen, Aaron
Lee Fowler, Wade Oliver, Haley
Oliver, QBE Insurance Company, The
Assigned Claims Facility, Property and
Casualty Insurance Company of
Hartford

Case No. 11-1795 NO
Skupin & Lucas, P.C.
Attorney for Plaintiffs

By: Charles G. Skupin (29282)
155 W. Congress, Ste. 350
Detroit, MI 48226
(313) 961-0425

TO: Shain Karsen

Plaintiff, James Scott, individually, and
James Scott, as next friend of, Mariah
Scott, a minor in this court, to recover for
personal injuries arising out of an auto
accident occurring on October 24, 2010.
Upon consideration of the verified motion
of plaintiff, and the affidavit in support
thereof attesting to the fact that the
defendant in this action cannot be personally
served with a summons and a copy of the
complaint herein, and it ap-

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. is attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at (248) 539-7400 if you are in active military duty. Initial foreclosure notice is required by Michigan Public Act of 2009.

Notice is hereby provided to Kevin Coulson and Tamara L. Coulson, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter borrower) regarding the property known as 3985 Curtisville Road, South Branch, MI 48761 that the mortgage is in default. The borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer through its designated agent, Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. (designated agent), 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48335, (248) 539-7400 (tel.), (248) 539-7401 (Fax), e-mail: designatedagent@sspcclegal.com. Kevin Coulson and Tamara L. Coulson also has/have the right to contact the

Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) at its website www.michigan.gov/mshda or by calling MSHDA at (866) 946-7432 (tel.). If borrower(s) requests a meeting, no foreclosure proceeding will be commenced until the expiration of 90 days from the date notice was mailed to the borrower(s) pursuant to Section 3205(a) of HB 4454, Public Act 30 of 2009. If designated agent and borrower(s) agree to modify the mortgage, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the borrower(s) abide by the terms of the modified mortgage. Borrower(s) have the right to contact an attorney or the State Bar of Michigan Lawyer Referral Service at (800) 968-0738 (tel.).

Publish date: December 28, 2011
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48335
GMAC.009137
12-28

Foreclosure Notice (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 Cynthia Bauer and Paul R. Bauer, wife and husband, of Alcona County, Michigan, mortgagor to National City Mortgage Services Co. dated the 29th day of January, 2003, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 29th day of January, 2003, in Liber 376, page 605 of Alcona records; which said mortgage was assigned to PNC Bank, national association successor by merger to National City Mortgage, thru mesne assignments. On which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for

principal of \$42,891.02 (forty-two thousand eight hundred ninety-one and 02/100) plus accrued interest at 3.50 percent (three point five zero) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 11th day of January, 2012, 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 Greenbush, in the county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Situated in the township of Greenbush, county of Alcona and state of Michigan: Lot 608 of Huron-Cedar Lakes Subdivision No. 5, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, pages 155-7 Alcona County records. Commonly known as: 4651 S. Evergreen Drive. Tax Parcel No.: 041-148-000-608-00.

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

Dated: December 14, 2011
By: Foreclosing Attorneys
Attorney for Plaintiff
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive
Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48084
WWR No. 10086366
12-14, 12-21, 12-28, 1-4, 2012

Order for Service By Publication Posting and Notice of Action

State of Michigan,
Judicial District,
23 Judicial Circuit

James Scott, individually, and
James Scott, as next friend of
Mariah Scott, a minor v.
Shain Karsen, Aaron Lee Fowler,
Wade Oliver, Haley Oliver, QBE
Insurance Company, the Assigned
Claims Facility, Property and Casualty
Insurance Company of Hartford
Case No. 11-1795 NO
Skupin & Lucas, P.C.
Attorney for Plaintiffs
by Charles G. Skupin (29282)
155 W. Congress, Ste. 350

Detroit, MI 48226
(313) 961-0425

To: Aaron Lee Fowler

Plaintiff, James Scott individually and
James Scott as next friend of Mariah
Scott, a minor in this court, to recover for
personal injuries arising out of an auto
accident occurring on October 24, 2010.
Upon consideration of the verified motion
of plaintiff, and the affidavit in support
thereof attesting to the fact that the
defendant in this action cannot be personally
served with a summons and a copy of the
complaint herein, and it appearing that
defendant, Aaron Lee Fowler, has a last known
address of 808 S. McConnell Road, Harrisville,
MI 48740, and plaintiff having attempted
service; and it appearing that personal

service of the summons and complaint in
this action cannot be made in a manner
reasonable calculated to give defendant
notice of the proceedings and an opportunity
to be heard:

It is hereby ordered that a copy of this
order, summons and complaint be sent by
first-class United States mail and by
posting a copy of the above pleadings at
defendant's usual place of abode or business
address and/or 808 S. McConnell
Road, Harrisville, MI 48740.

It is further ordered that notice of this
action shall be published in a newspaper
in Alcona County once a week for three
(3) consecutive weeks.

Date: December 28, 2011
Judge: /s/ Ronald M. Bergeron
12-26, 1-4, 1-11

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 Timothy P. Lee, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., mortgagee, dated June 12, 2007, and recorded on June 27, 2007 in Liber 443 on page 463, and modified by agreement dated January 6, 2009, and recorded on November

15, 2010 in Liber 474 on page 979, and assigned by said mortgagee to Central Mortgage Company as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred twenty-seven thousand five hundred twenty-one and 87/100 dollars (\$127,521.87), including interest at four 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 venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on January 4, 2012.

Said premises are situated in township

of Mikado, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The south 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the south 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Township 25 North, Range 8 East.

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

Dated: December 7, 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. 358231F02
12-7, 12-14, 12-21, 12-28

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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 Sherri K. O'Dell, fka Sherri K. Cotey and William O'Dell, wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., mortgagee, dated May 17, 2006, and recorded on May 25, 2006 in Liber 431 on page 374 in instrument 200600002017, and assigned by said mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association as trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association successor by merger to LaSalle Bank NA as trustee for Washington Mutual mortgage pass-through certificates WMALT series 2006-6 trust 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 eighty-eight thousand nine hundred twelve and 76/100 dollars (\$88,912.76), including interest at 6.875 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 venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on January 4, 2012.

Said premises are situated in township of Gustin, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: That part of the south-east 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of Section 2, Town 26 North, Range 8 East, lying southerly of Traverse Bay State Road (Trask Lake Road), described as follows: Parcel A - commencing at the east 1/4 corner of Section 2, Town 26 North, Range 8 East; thence north 02 degrees 31 minutes 51 seconds east along the east line of said section and a portion of the centerline of F-41 Highway, 453.00 feet; thence north 84 degrees 35 minutes 17 seconds west along an existing

fence line 285.80 feet; thence south 87 degrees 57 minutes 25 seconds west 459.43 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing south 87 degrees 57 minutes 25 seconds west 617.38 feet; thence north 02 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds west along the east 1/8 line of said Section 926.00 feet; thence south 81 degrees 44 minutes 19 seconds east along the centerline of Trask Lake Road 627.73 feet; thence south 02 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds east 813.79 feet to the point of beginning; except county road.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 7, 2011
For more information, please call: (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
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