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## Harmonizing tradition began 50 years ago

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

Little did Russ Seely and John Smith know while they were packing for a camping trip "up north" their families were about to start a tradition that would entertain Alcona County residents and visitors for 50 years.

The two men didn't even know each other when they pulled into a restaurant parking lot on their way to northern Michigan for a much needed rest away from the Detroit, Mich. area where they both worked and lived.

They probably would never have said a word to each other

if Seely hadn't noticed a sticker on the back of Smith's trailer. The bumper sticker said S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. -- which was the acronym for the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America -- a name chosen in 1939 by the founder of the

society who wanted to have the longest, most absurd acronym possible.

Seely was a barbershopper from the Grosse Pointe Chapter and Smith was from the Wayne Chapter. One or the other were on their way to the Harrisville State Park to camp and convinced the other to come along.

As the story is remembered, that weekend the two men and their wives tried to make a quartet, but it didn't work. They decided, instead, on having another camping trip and bring other barbershoppers with them.

Smith presented the idea to his brother-in-law, Tom Pollard, who sang lead with the Aire Males. The Aire Males thought a family camping trip would be fun and definitely wanted to be there. Seely, a lead in the 4-Fits encouraged his quartet and their families to join the trip to Harrisville as well.

A great time was had by all and another trip was planned for the next year.

In 1961 Seely insisted tenor John Wearing quit his barbershop quartet to join

the 4-Fits. Of course, that meant he would take part in the annual Harrisville trip.

"Those guys were just so much fun, I just had to join up with them," the 87-year-old Wearing said. "I'm the last living (member) of the 4-Fits and I'm really looking forward to coming up to Harrisville this year to see some of the other 'shoppers' and Sweet Adelines (the feminine equal to male barbershop quartets) as well as some of the old VFW gang that always put on such good barbecues, if there are any of them still hanging around."

"We always had a good time," Wearing continued, "I could tell you so many stories of crazy things we did... There was one night I was almost asleep in my camper and I heard the other 4-Fits at my screen window saying 'Johnny, Johnny, can Johnny come out and play?' I told them I was sleeping, but they wouldn't let up, so I put on my boots and, still wearing my nightshirt, I grabbed my derby hat. Someone gave me

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The Barbershop quartet The 4 Fits perform in Harrisville in 1962 which was the beginning of a tradition that is celebrating its 50th year this weekend. (From left) John Wearing, Russ Seely, Ray McAlpin and Marv Burke. Courtesy photo from Matthew Seely.



Alcona Tiger Josh Mead (20) makes the first touchdown of the game against Cheboygan in the season opener Friday night. The Tigers took down the Chiefs 14-0 with Mead making both touchdowns. Photo by Pat Brussel.

## Deputies investigate accident and shooting

By Cheryl Peterson  
Editor

The Alcona County Sheriff's Department is investigating two incidents that occurred last week -- a fatal accident and an accidental shooting.

On Wednesday, Aug. 22 at approximately 4:50 a.m. deputies were dispatched to locate a missing motorist. At 5:30 a.m. the vehicle was located on Bean Hill Road approximately three quarters of a mile north of Fowler Road,

20 yards into the woods.

The driver, identified as Marvin Dean Barton Jr., 61, of Barton City, was still in the vehicle. He was pronounced dead at the scene by Medical Examiner Scene Investigator Linda Karpp.

According to Sgt. Scott Stephenson, a preliminary investigation shows that Barton's vehicle was traveling north on Bean Hill Road when it failed to negotiate a curve, leaving the roadway and hitting several trees. The

time of the incident has been estimated at 9 p.m. on August 21 and it appears Barton died around that time.

Stephenson said the incident remains under investigation. Alcohol and/or drugs are not believed to be a factor. An autopsy to determine the cause of death will be conducted at the Saginaw County forensics lab.

On Saturday, Aug. 25 at about 7 p.m. deputies re-

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## Weekend Events

### Friday, August 31

The Greenbush Golf Course will host a singfest featuring barbershoppers and Sweet Adelines beginning at 7 p.m. Attendees should bring their own lawn chairs or blankets. A cash bar, pulled pork, sloppy Joes, and nachos will be available for purchase.

### Saturday, September 1

Harmony Weekend Breakfast will be available from 7 to 11 a.m. at Maria Hall (behind St. Anne Church). Cost is \$7 for adults, \$3 for children age 10 and under.

Harmony Weekend Arts and Craft Show with 300 plus booths will be held at the corner of US-23 and M-72 in Harrisville from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

There will be "Music on the Hill" at corner of US-23 and M-72 (on the hill near the County Building) featuring Bill Miller and Spencer Dahl and other performers starting at 3 p.m.

A barbershop and Sweet Adeline concert will be held at 7 p.m. under the pavilion at the Harrisville Harbor. Attendees should bring a lawn chair to enjoy "A Celebration of 50 Years in Harmony" featuring award winning barbershop quartets including the 2003 International Champion quartet, "Power Play," 2010 International Senior Champions and 2008/2009 Pioneer District Champions, "Resisting-a-Rest" as well as a college barbershop quartet, "Dominant Prep" with lead, Aaron Pollard, grandson of the late Tom Pollard who sang with the Aire Males in the first Barbershop Harmony show 50 years ago.

### Sunday, Sept. 3

Harmony Weekend Arts and Craft Show with 300 plus booths will be held at the corner of US-23 and M-72 in Harrisville from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

An "Old Fashion Parade" will proceed down Main Street at 1 p.m.

## Sports Writer Needed

The Alcona County Review is looking for a person to write stories about the Alcona High School varsity football team. Must be able to attend home football games and gather stats and information about away games and then write stories for publication. Must have own transportation and be able to meet weekly deadline. Knowledge of the game imperative. Previous writing experience is helpful, but not required. Please call Cheryl Peterson at (989) 724-6384 for more information.

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## Obituaries

### William A. Schwickert

William A. Schwickert, 87, of Harrisville died Thursday, August 23, 2012 at home.

He was born June 29, 1925 to William Jerome and Magdaline (Kircher) Schwickert in Brooklyn, N.Y. where he was raised.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

On June 30, 1945, he married Lilith Fernsemer in Detroit, Mich. They were long-time Detroit, Mich. area residents, moving to Harrisville in 1971.

Mr. Schwickert was a member of the St. Anne Catholic Church of Harrisville and the Knights of Columbus Alcona Council 4235.

He owned and operated Orion Mobil Radio Communication before moving to Harrisville and opened Northeast Radio Engineers, which he operated until retiring.

Mr. Schwickert is survived by his wife, Lilith; four daughters, Joanne (Michael) Kitchen of Grand Rapids, Mich., Louise Brisbois of Raleigh, N.C., Mary Schwickert of Cary, N.C. and Therese (Dennis) Davis of Goodrich, Mich.; one son, William John Schwickert of Greenbush; 16 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and one sister, Magdaline Shuster of Southbury, Conn.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Nancy Kitchen on March 29, 1998; and one brother, Russell Kitchen in 2009.

A funeral service was held Monday, Aug. 27 at St. Anne Catholic Church, Harrisville. The Rev. Bob Bissot officiated. Burial was in St. Anne Cemetery.

Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

### Mildred A. Tibor

Mildred A. Tibor, 86, of Lincoln died on Sunday, Aug. 26, 2012 in Pinckney, Mich.

She was born December 18, 1925 in Barton City to Ross and Amelia (Olstrum) Donaldson. She graduated from Harrisville High School.

She was a homemaker and life-long resident of Lincoln. Mrs. Tibor was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church where she taught catechism. She also enjoyed gardening.

Mrs. Tibor is survived by one granddaughter, Melissa Pintel of Indiana; two sisters, Zella Gonya of Lincoln and Margaret (Jack) Lenz of Florida; and three brothers, Les (Mildred) Donaldson of Lincoln, Joe (Glenda) Donaldson of Barton City and Bernard (Nora) Donaldson of Pinckney, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jacob in 1977; and one daughter, Katherine.

A funeral will be held at 1 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 4 at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Visitation will begin at 11 a.m. until the time of service. Interment is in St. Anne Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Oscoda Chapel of the Buresh Funeral Home.

### Edward J. Barkley

Edward J. Barkley, 48, of National City, Mich., formerly of Alcona County, died on Sunday, Aug. 19, 2012 at home.

He was born November 20, 1963 in Dearborn Heights, Mich. to Robert J. and Carolyn (Northway) Barkley.

He graduated from Alcona High School in 1982 and received an associate degree from Alpena Community College.

Mr. Barkley worked as a mechanic for Carron Company for Ford Motor Company in Detroit, Mich. He later owned and operated his own business, E&J Homes in Lincoln.

He enjoyed spending time with his little buddy, Gizmo, and hunting, however, his passion was racing in bump and run events.

Mr. Barkley is survived by two sons, Nicholas (Amber) Barkley and Anthony (Cassie) Barkley; two daughters, Ashley (Andrew) Poirier and Amanda L. Barkley; three



grandchildren; his father, Robert J. Barkley; three brothers, Robert (Joy) Barkley, Matthew (Carrie) Barkley and Gary (Shelia) McClure; three sisters, Kathleen (Greg) Dee, Betty (Tim) Barrons and Debbie (Tony) Arcicovich; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother; and grandparents.

A funeral service was held Friday, Aug. 24 at the Buresh Funeral Home in Tawas City. Interment was in Pioneer Cemetery, Grant Township, Mich. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
Aug. 19	72	53	0.00	2.8	21	NE
Aug. 20	73	49	0.00	2.7	19	NE
Aug. 21	75	51	0.00	2.6	15	S
Aug. 22	86	55	0.00	3.0	17	SW
Aug. 23	81	57	0.00	3.7	15	SSW
Aug. 24	80	63	0.00	4.7	21	SSW
Aug. 25	80	64	0.00	4.1	16	SSW

Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	2012	2011	Normal
Weekly Total	0.00	1.02	0.77
August to Date	2.61	3.30	2.84
Year/Season to Date	15.93	23.13	18.75

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, AUGUST 29

Alcona County needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St., from 2 to 4 p.m. All items will be donated to local organizations. Bring your knitting needles, looms, yarn and patterns. Beginning crafters are welcome. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Vacation Bible School at Lott Baptist Church, 4257 State Rd. (M-65), Glennie from 6 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, call (989) 735-3771.

Drop in craft and Wii from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St.

Nook set-up and download class from 9:15 to 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St. To reserve a space, call (989) 724-6796.

GM Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees of Northeast Michigan will hold their monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, 1000 US-23 North, Alpena. Reservations and payment due in advance. For more information, call Chuck Griffin (989) 727-3350, Frank Baranski (989) 595-2789 or Don Cattleberry (989) 354-5504.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m. and meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. For more information, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 736-6045.

Community Walking Club for everyone meets at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St., at 8:30 a.m.

Storytime and craft for children at the Lincoln branch of the Alcona County Library, 330 Traverse Bay Rd., from 1 to 2 p.m. For more information, call (989) 736-3388.

Family movie matinee at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St., at 2 p.m. Enjoy a newly released DVD and theater-style popcorn. Call, (989) 724-6796 for details.

Eagle Ridge Golf Club, Glennie and Tom Wargo are hosting a golf clinic at 5 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person. Pro-

ceeds go to the Our Kids Organization. For more information, call (989) 735-3500.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

Popcorn and a movie at 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St., Call, (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Special "Ants and Friends" storytime picnic from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St. Everyone is invited!

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the fairgrounds in Lincoln (across from Kris Mart). For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

For Harmony Weekend events, see page 1.

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

The annual Black River Bridge Walk will begin at noon south of the bridge on Lake Shore Road, just south of Black River Road. There will be plenty of parking. A co-ed ballgame will be held at the township park at 1 p.m.

There will be a dedication of a new sign celebrating the history of railroads and logging near Mud Lake (now Jewel Lake) at 1 p.m. at the Millen Township Park in Barton City. The new sign, commissioned by the Alcona Historical Society, has a map of the railroad lines during that time and logging photographs. The public is invited to attend.

For Harmony Weekend events, see page 1.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Weight Loss Support group will meet at the Lincoln United Methodist Church, 101 E. Main St. at 4 p.m. Visitors are welcome and there is no membership fee. For more information, call (989) 736-8645 or (989) 736-8338.

Music and sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St. in the dining room.

Early Bloomers bowling league will begin their new season at 9:30 a.m. at Village Lanes, Harrisville with an organizational meeting.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Spruce Lutheran Emergency Food Pantry, 1246 E. Spruce Rd., will be open from 1 to 3 p.m. Clients must be present to receive food and bring identification. For more information, call (989) 471-5013.

Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will hold its membership meeting at 11 a.m. at the VFW Hall, 2900 Connon, Alpena. Lunch will be served. For reservations, call (989) 356-4959 or (989) 727-3553. Bring a can of food for the needy.

Artist reception for photographer Leona Webb from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St. Refreshments provided by Friends of the Library. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Sewing with Jennie Anderson from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Alcona County needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St., from 2 to 4 p.m. All items will be donated to local organizations. Bring your knitting needles, looms, yarn and patterns. Beginning crafters are welcome. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Music and sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township hall, 3029 Campbell Rd. Call, (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Digital download instruction for your laptop or desktop from 9:15 to 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St. Call, (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.

Friends of the Alcona County Library will meet at 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch, 312 W. Main St.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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## BID NOTICE

The Lincoln Downtown Development Authority is accepting bid for a new skid-steer loader. The loader specifications include the following items; diesel engine, auxiliary hydraulics, backup alarm, horn, lights front and rear, operator cab with heat and suspension seat, bucket, pallet fork frame with 48" forks, 48" snowblower, and controls to operate snowblower from cab. The Lincoln Downtown Development Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Bids will be accepted until Monday, September 10, 2012 and will be opened at the regular Lincoln Downtown Development Authority meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at 5:30 pm at the Lincoln Village Hall. The Lincoln Village Hall is located at 117 W. Fiske Street.

Any questions may be directed to Lincoln Downtown Development Authority President David James at 989-736-8427.

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## Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

Mitchell Township may be considered a small community but they are a giant when it comes to emergency response.

Thank you to the team that responded to the 911 call for Ray Brimm. We appreciate your fast response and professionalism. The entire Alcona County 911 and EMT teams are a great asset to our community. A big thank you to you all.

Ray and Carla Brimm,  
Mitchell Township

large men's clothing, children and baby clothes and linens (sheets, blankets, towels). Donations may be taken anytime to the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. All donations are greatly needed and appreciated.

### It's Bug Day

The Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library will celebrate the end of summer with an "Ants and Friends" storytime and family picnic on Friday, Aug. 31. Storytime begins at 10:30 a.m. with a story, bug walk and bug craft. A free picnic lunch (no bugs) for all library visitors will be served between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. (Call 989) 724-6796 for more information.

### Historic Sign Dedication

The public is invited to the dedication of a new sign celebrating the history of railroads and logging near Mud

Lake (now Jewell Lake) at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 2 at the Millen Township Park in Barton City. This historic site honors the brief but intense "long log era" of the lumbering industry in Alcona County. Mud Lake Village was the center of a great logging boom around 1880 - 1910. From this area - now known as Barton City - logs were cut, banked and transported by railroad to Black River on Lake Huron, then rafted to lower Great Lakes cities. This new sign, commissioned by the Alcona Historical Society and sponsored by the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan, has a map of the railroad lines during that time and logging photographs. This project also is supported by Millen Township and the Barton City Improvement Association. For more information, call (989) 724-7902.

### New Arrival

Taylor Ann Laube is the new daughter of Luke and Kimberly (VanHurk) Laube of Lincoln. She was born on Sunday, Aug. 19, 2012 at Tawas St. Joseph Hospital. She weighed seven pounds, five ounces and was 20 inches long. She is the granddaughter of Lori and Skip Wilkins of Oscoda, John and Cindy VanHurk of Lincoln and Randy and Cheryl Laube of Mikado. She is the great-granddaughter of R. B. and Sonja Clark of Lincoln and Mary Laube of Spruce.

### Away at School

Brandy Skjold, the daughter of James and Marilyn Pleasants and granddaughter of Arden Basselman, all of Barton City, earned a doctoral degree in science education from Western Michigan University (WMU) in August. She lives in Kalamazoo, Mich. with husband, Brian,

and their children. She works for the Mallinson Institute for Science Education at WMU as a faculty specialist.

### Photography Show

A photography show, "My Home Town," by former resident Leona Webb will be on display at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from Tuesday, Sept. 4 through Friday, Sept. 28. Webb's photography pays tribute to her early childhood in Alcona County, with visual images and memories of places past. The community is invited to a reception in her honor on Wednesday, Sept. 5 from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., hosted by the Friends of the Library. For more information, call (989) 724-6796 or access her website, [www.leonawebb-photography.com](http://www.leonawebb-photography.com).

### Helping Children

The Food Bank of Eastern Michigan Backpack Program has come to Alcona Elementary School with the help of Marty and Gayle Starliper of Greenbush. The goal of the Backpack Program is to provide children at risk of hunger with easy access to nutritious and non-perishable food items on weekends. Each weekend a backpack containing two breakfasts, lunches, dinners and snacks are sent home with children in need.

Volunteers and funding are needed for this program. It costs \$100 to feed one child for the entire school year. The program will help 24 children this year, and as funding comes available more children will be added. "We need help with funding, and people to help fill the backpacks. We also need donations such as peanut butter and boxed cereal to help out with extended weekends like Christmas break," Marty Starliper said. "Together with angels (you being the angels) we hope to make this a very successful program." For more information, questions or concerns, contact Marty at (989) 724-9333 or the website: [outdoorone@hotmail.com](mailto:outdoorone@hotmail.com). Make checks payable to "Food Bank of Eastern Michigan."

### 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 is meal is asked to reserve a place by calling (989) 736-8879 by 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

- Monday, Sept. 3—All sites and services closed.
- Tuesday, Sept. 4—Bourbon chicken, baked potato, cauliflower, orange pineapple fluff salad, pudding and fruit.
- Wednesday, Sept. 5—Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, peas, apple raisin salad and peaches.
- Thursday, Sept. 6—Boiled dinner with smoked sausage, cabbage, baby carrots and red potatoes, fruited Jell-O and fruit.
- Friday, Sept. 7—Fish

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**7733 Cedar Lane, Greenbush** - Cedar Lake. Two bedroom, 1½ baths. 12-0026 **\$159,900**  
**3565 W. Cedar Lake Rd., Greenbush** - Cedar Lake. Four bedroom, 3 baths, 2,200 sf. 12-0027 **\$279,000**  
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**4904 Aaron Dr., Oscoda** - Lakewood Shores. Three bedroom, 2 bath. 1,730 sf. 12-0048 **\$129,900**  
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**4489 W. Cedar Lake Rd., Greenbush** - Cedar Lake. 2.48 acres. Three bedroom, 1½ baths. 12-0054 **\$189,900**  
**7566 N. US-23, Oscoda** - Lake Huron. Four bedroom, 3 baths, 2 story, 2,000 sf. 12-0056 **\$299,500**  
**4562 N. Lakeshore Dr., Black River** - 185' on Lake Huron. 1.12 acres. Three bedroom, 2 baths. 12-0057 **\$279,000**  
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**1941 Northland Dr., Oscoda** - Access to AuSable River. Two bedroom, 1½ baths. Remodeled 2010. 12-0096 **\$69,900**  
**2535 Roe Rd., Spruce** - Four acres. Three bedroom, 2 bath. Full finished walkout basement. 12-0098 **\$53,500**  
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After a recent Moonlight Golf Scramble at Lost Lake Woods, two local couples decided to share their good times with Alcona County Commission on Aging (ACCOA). Greg and Marlene Rogers together with Bob and Cheryl Bates put together the golf scramble. After all expenses were paid they presented a \$400 check to the ACCOA. Bob and Cheryl Bates (left) and ACCOA Board President Rolland Lynch (center) look on as Greg Rogers presents ACCOA Executive Director Suzan Krey with the donation. *Courtesy photo.*

## Harmonizing Continued from page 1

a cigar and we all headed for Cuyler's bar. When we got there the whole parking lot was filled with motorcycles, but we decided to go in any way. Me, with just my derby, nightshirt and boots, and the other 4-Fits (fully dressed) donning their derbies and cigars walked in just as two burly bikers were heading out. When they saw us the one said to the other, 'Wait I gotta see this,' and they turned around and went back in. We sang for the bikers and had a lot of fun."

In just a few years the annual camping trip had grown large enough to put on a show at the Harrisville Harbor.

A historical publication, "The First Fifty Years" printed by the Grosse Point Chapter of barbershoppers, documents Pollard's tales of how the first Harrisville shows were "colder than a well digger, with winds whipping off the lake" and how he was glad he was singing in an old fashioned World War I Army uniform complete with a coat that went all the way down to the floor. That was part of the costume or "gimmick" the Aire Males touted in their quartet. Wearing remembered the 4-Fits wore shorts and straw hats and were freezing while they sang.

In 1962, Russ Seely encouraged Ed McCarthy, a fellow Barbershopper, to bring a flat bed trailer and the concert was performed from the back of the trailer, parked in the VFW parking lot on Lake Street. That was the first real concert planned and performed, which began the 50 year tradition.

As the quartets continued the Harrisville tradition other shoppers and Sweet Adelines heard about the fun they were having. Before they knew it the annual event was drawing record number crowds and camp sites at the Harrisville State Park were sold out. A few years later, another barbershopper, Ray McAlpin, an architect, designed a domed band shell which was used until the late 1970s when the concert moved to the current Harbor Park pavilion.

Matthew Seely, son of the late Russ Seely, will be representing his father in this year's parade along with Grand Marshals John Wearing and Gloria Pollard, the

wife of the late Tom Pollard of the Air Males and sister of the late John Smith. Gloria will be escorted by distinguished guest, her son, Craig Pollard.

Matthew Seely is excited about the reunion with all the old gang. "Most of the barbershoppers had young families in the '60s and they always made sure we (kids) had a great time." Seely said. "There were field games and teen days at the state park. They even had a haunted walk where an adult would tell stories at night, with just the light of a lantern, about Indian ghosts that haunted the woods around the park and then they would walk with us through the woods...a couple of the dads would jump out from behind trees and scare us. It really was a lot of good family fun.

"They always had a children's talent show and a parade and, of course, a barbershop concert. The VFW would do an ox roast barbecue after the concert. The attendance in the '60s must have been well into the thousands," Seely said.

The art fair portion of the Harmony festivities didn't begin until the early 1970s when it changed its scheduled time to Labor Day weekend to coincide with the already popular barbershoppers Harmony Reunion.

From there the art fair took off, considering when it began in 1968 it only had six exhibitors. "Now the art fair is really the bigger draw to Harrisville for Labor Day Weekend, but I don't know if they could have attained that without the captive audience the Barbershoppers first brought in," Seely said.

Craig Pollard is happy the barbershop tradition continues on and is quite proud that his son's college barbershop quartet, Dominant Prep, will be performing at the concert on Saturday. "Harrisville has one of the nicest state parks and we have a lot of good memories of corn roasts, fish fries and singing around the campfire," Pollard said.

Linda Liddacoat, who has helped organize Harmony Weekend for the last 10 years, will also be honored as a distinguished guest in the parade. "Harrisville hosts one of the few parks that has camp sites right on one of the

Great Lakes. The City of Harrisville and all the people up there are friendly and good to us. We plan on continuing the tradition as long as we are alive and kicking," Liddacoat said.

The historic weekend combining art and music is one of the largest festivals of its kind in Michigan attracting nearly 25,000 visitors during Labor Day weekend. For a listing of weekend events, see the box on page one.

## Deputies

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sponded to a residence in Mikado to the report of a gunshot victim.

According to Stephenson, an initial investigation found that Eric Buttler, 57, of Monroe, Mich. accidentally shot his son, Jordan Buttler, 24, of Monroe, Mich. while putting a Ruger .22 caliber handgun in a gun case after the two had been target shooting. The discharge hit Jordan Buttler in the right hip.

Both men told deputies they thought the gun was unloaded. Jordan Butler was transported to Tawas St. Joseph Hospital by Alcona County EMS. The shooting remains under investigation.

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**Local Notes**

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 (Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

**Christian Music Concert**

Randy and Marli Brown will perform at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 Second Street, Harrisville at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 7. Randy Brown has a bachelor of music degree in piano performance and composition and has performed with a Christian band for the last 24 years. Marli Brown grew up in Michigan and sang in high school and throughout college. She graduated from William Tyndale Bible College with a Bachelor of Arts degree. They have performed together for more than 20 years. They were married in 1988 and have two children. They live wherever their motor home is parked. The public is invited to attend the concert and make sundaes after the concert. The Browns will also put on a concert at Hope St. John's Parrish, 223 E. Mill Street, Oscoda from 10 a.m. to noon. A salad luncheon will follow in the parish hall. A free will offering will be taken at both performances.

**Forester Comes To District**

The Alcona Conservation District wants to help (non-industrial) private forest landowners to better understand the potential productivity of their forest resource and opportunities for technical and financial assistance for forest planning and management. The organization plans to help connect private forest landowners whose forested property lies within Alcona or Iosco counties with the resources they need to make the property more beautiful, productive and have healthier habitat for wildlife and recreational enjoyment. Beginning in October, a full-time forester will join the office on 320 S. State Street, Harrisville. Anyone who is curious about timber production, who has tax questions, or wants to find the possibilities for their forested land is encouraged to call (989) 724-5272 or visit [www.alconaconservation.org](http://www.alconaconservation.org) or e-mail [janet.reins@macd.org](mailto:janet.reins@macd.org).

**Archery Program Begins**

The "Centershot" archery program will begin Saturday, Sept. 15 with registration from 9:45 to noon. This eight-week archery program for kids and teenagers of all ages includes training in safe, fast-paced Olympic style archery, novelty shoots, shooting tournaments with prizes and important Biblical life lessons. The program is sponsored in conjunction with Hubbard Lake Bible Church and St. Paul Lutheran Church. The archery program will be held at Hubbard Lake Bible Church, 13508 Hubbard Lake Road (one mile south of Nicholson Hill Road). Pre-registration is encouraged (but not necessary) and can be done by contacting Hubbard Lake Bible Church at (989) 727-3443 or St. Paul Lutheran Hubbard Lake Church at (989) 727-2496.

**Outstanding Dairy Award**

Jason and Katie Dellar of Harrisville recently represented Michigan Milk Producers Association's (MMPA) District 12 in the annual Outstanding Young Dairy Cooperators (OYDC) Program held August 16-17. The couple was selected to participate in the program ear-



Cindi Bauer  
 Lakes Region Donor Recruitment person of the year.

This award is based upon many factors including achieving accuracy for goals of blood programs to meet the identified needs of hospitals, high customer satisfaction, and blood donor loyalty. "This award is truly a tribute to the commitment of the communities in the eight counties of northern Michigan," Bauer said. "I would like to thank each person who has donated recently, and invite each person who has not become a blood donor yet to explore this opportunity by talking to a current blood donor or calling 800-Red Cross or going to [www.Redcrossblood.org](http://www.Redcrossblood.org)."

**New Appointment**

Greenbush resident Dr. Donald L. Newport has been appointed to the Commission on Services to the Aging. The 15-member board advises the governor and legislature on the coordination and administration of state programs and changes to federal and state programs related to aging priorities. "I am confident that the varied backgrounds and years of extensive experiences these outstanding individuals bring will effectively support the continued mission and service of the commission," said Michigan Governor Rick Snyder.



Jason and Katie Dellar  
 lier this year by fellow dairy farmers in their district. The Dellars milk 55 cows and farm 200 acres, hoping to expand through internal growth. Katie also serves as an MMPA Dairy Communicator. The State OYDC Conference, held at MMPA headquarters in Novi, Mich., provides participants with information about milk marketing activities, cooperatives, milk testing procedures and other current events within the dairy industry. The program has been held annually the past 62 years. "The OYDC program identifies outstanding young leaders in our organization and provides an opportunity for them to gain a greater understanding of milk marketing activities and MMPA," said Ken Nobis, MMPA president.

**Red Cross Award**

For the third year in a row, Cindi Bauer was honored by the American Red Cross for her efforts in making sure that there is always a safe and adequate blood supply for family, friends, and neighbors in the community and across the nation. On July 30 in Sawmill, Ohio, Bauer was recognized as the Ohio-Michigan Division, Great



Dr. Donald Newport (right) with Gov. Rick Snyder.

# SENIOR LIFESTYLES

## Simplified computer software that can help seniors get online

Dear Savvy Senior,  
Do you know of any computer software that's designed for seniors that I can download on an old computer that I have? I would like to set my grandmother up with a senior-friendly system for e-mail and Internet access, but I don't want to spend a lot of money.

Searching Grandson

Dear Searching,  
There are actually a number of companies and services today that offer simplified computer software that's designed specifically for seniors who have little or no computer experience.

These software packages can transform most Microsoft Windows personal computers (PCs) - some work with Macs and tablets too - into a much simpler computer experience that provides seniors easy access to most functions like sending and receiving email, browsing the Internet, making video calls, looking at photos, playing

games and more. Here are some top options to check out.

Since it's completely free, a good place to start is at Eldy, an Italian nonprofit organization that provides simplified computer software in 25 different languages including English. Available to download at [www.eldy.eu](http://www.eldy.eu), this software works on PCs that use Windows and Linux systems, Macs and Android tablets.

Once installed, Eldy converts the computer's desktop into a simple six-button menu that has large text, color contrasts and simplified instructions (no confusing icons) that makes it easy to see, understand and operate.

The six-button menu puts seniors literally one-click-of-the-mouse away from simplified versions of email, the Web, Skype for video calls, chat groups, a simple word processing program and more.

It's also worth noting that

Eldy software works on touch-screen computers too, and they also offer online tech-support.

If, however, you don't mind spending a little money, there are also a number of companies that offer software similar to Eldy, but provide a few extra enticing features. One of the best deals is offered through SeeYouLink ([see-youlink.com](http://see-youlink.com)) which has a three-month free trial and charges only \$4.95 per month after that.

SeeYouLink's web-based software will transform any mouse-operated or touch-screen Windows-based PC, into a simplified big-button operating system with large fonts and color contrasts. This will give your grandmother easy access to a host of functions that she can select from like e-mail, Web browsing, video calling, brain-fitness games, movies, Facebook, a calendar that sends reminders and much more.

In addition, this service

also provides a "remote access" feature that will give you and other family members the ability to access your grandmother's computer system from literally any computer anywhere in the world, so you can help her set things up, show her websites, scheduled appointments, or guide her through any other questions or problems she might have. And, when you or your grandmother needs help, SeeYouLink offers free tech-support both online and over the phone.

In addition to SeeYouLink, some other companies worth a look that offer similar services include InTouchLink ([intouchlink.com](http://intouchlink.com)), which can be used on a PC, Mac or iPad and costs \$13.75 per month or \$150 per year. Pointer Ware ([pointerware.com](http://pointerware.com)), which works on Windows PCs and costs a one-time fee of \$149, or you can subscribe monthly for \$8 per month. And BigScreenLive ([big-screenlive.com](http://big-screenlive.com)), that operates on Windows PCs and

Savvy Senior

runs \$9.95 per month for an annual membership.

If you find that you would rather purchase your grandmother a new computer that's designed for seniors and is ready to go right out of the box, you have options here too.

Two of the most popular are the Telikin ([telikin.com](http://telikin.com), 800-230-3881) which costs between \$699 and \$999 - this same computer is also sold as the "WOW" computer through firstSTREET. And MyGait ([mygait.com](http://mygait.com), 866-469-4248), which runs \$799 or \$899 plus a \$20 monthly service fee.

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



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Derby racers speed down Traverse Bay Road. Photo by Mary Weber.



Soap Box Derby winners (from left) Brendon Hudgins, Katie Edwards, Alyssa Binkowski, Robby Mills, Hayden Johnson and Jacob Robbins. Courtesy photo by Mary Phillips.



Cars, tractors and motorcycles made up for over 90 entries in the Lincoln Lion's Car Show held in downtown Lincoln Saturday (above); including the 1926 Ford TT four-cycle truck with a grain box (below) owned by Mike McConnell. Photos by Mary Weber.



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## Varsity soccer opens with two wins, one loss

**By Jared Steiner**  
*Sports Writer*

Expectations are high for Alcona varsity soccer this year. It is a young squad which plans to make a strong playoff push under the direction of second year coaches Tim Munro and Dave DuBuque.

Last season, the team made a trip to the district championship game and this season sports talent should prove enjoyable to follow.

The team consists of four seniors -- co-captain Jared Steiner, co-captain Aaron Ritchie, co-captain Jordan McCoy and Andy Cammack. Juniors are Benjamin DuBuque, Carson Jamieson, Schuyler Bates and Ryley Mancine. Sophomores are Jason Steiner, Brandon Smigelski, Trenton LaVergne, Ryan Schultz, Morgan Stewart and Nick Lamentia. The Freshman players include Cody Collins, Jesse Collins, Jeffrey Schram, Issac DuBuque and Mitchell Havercroft.

The Tigers opened up season play by traveling to Saginaw, Mich. to play Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy. Carson Jamieson scored during Alcona's first possession less than 30 seconds into the game -- the first of a barrage of goals by seven different players on the Tigers squad. Alcona came away with a 7-0 victory in a game which they dominated.

In the second game of the season the Tigers traveled across the state to play

Kalkaska and came up victorious with a 8-0 mercy win. Alcona was led by two goals each from Jared Steiner and Carson Jamieson.

The third game came as a test against rival Alpena. In the first half of the game it was well contested with Alpena scoring first on a penalty kick, but the Tigers responded with a goal from Jason Steiner off an assist from Trenton LaVergne.

At half time the game was tied 1-1 after a strong defensive performance by the Tigers. But Alpena came out

firing in the second half and scored two quick goals and controlled the rest of the game eventually winning 5-1.

Alcona had a few chances to make it a game, but couldn't find the back of the net as conditioning and inexperience hurt the Tigers in the second half. Alcona will look for revenge when they travel up to Alpena later in the season.

The Tigers next game will be played Thursday, Sept. 6 at Standish-Sterling High School.

## Preparations in final stages as 2012-13 school year nears

**By Dan O'Connor**  
*Guest Columnist*

As the new K-12 assistant principal and athletic director, I wanted to take the time to tell everyone how excited I am to begin this new position.

One aspect that I wanted to implement was a periodic article that will appear in this publication that will help inform the community of school news. I will highlight key activities that are occurring in the school every few weeks. If you have any questions contact the school for clarification.

### Faculty Working Hard

The teachers have been in the school all summer as we continue to implement Standards Based Learning. They worked to create documents that identified the most critical standards in each course per grade level.

Once identified, each assignment will be linked to standards which will appear online for students and parents to clearly identify achievement on the most critical course topics. This is a much improved way to report and offer a chance to clearly understand their strengths and weaknesses which will hopefully, help them understand how to improve on specific topics.

### Open House

Alcona Elementary will hold an open house on Sept. 5 from 5:15-6:15 p.m. There will be a principals' meet and greet in the gymnasium for the first 15 minutes and then an open walk through for the remaining 45 minutes. Teachers will be in their classrooms to answer any questions you have.

Alcona Middle/High School will hold an open house on September 5 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Each parent will have schedules available to pick up as they walk into the office door. There will be a 15 minute principals' meet and greet in the auditorium and there will be an opportunity to go through a mock bell schedule of their child's school day. Teachers will be in the building to give a quick summary of the class and provide a syllabus.

### New Website

Alcona Community Schools is proud to unveil its new school website. It is packed with information on

## Principal's Corner

enrollment, handbooks, school data, athletic information and schedules, and much more. Be sure to check it out. It is a work in progress, but be sure to check it frequently for updated events and information.

### Family Nights

There will be a Family Night once a month from September through May. Each night has a different theme and will be used to communicate information on specific topics and provide supplemental materials. Food will be provided before each event. Check the district calendar on the school website for more information on specific events. The first will be Wednesday, Sept. 26 at 5:30 p.m. The topic will be a discussion on Standards Based Learning and the key components.

### Accolades

Both Alcona Community Schools buildings were named in the top 40 percent of schools in the state of Michigan for the second straight year. They out achieved all bordering school districts in the elementary and high school categories. The Michigan Department of Education ranks each school from 1-100, 100 being the highest. Alcona Elementary ranked 63 percent and Alcona Middle/High came in at 74 percent.

In the spring Alcona High School was also named to the Best Schools in America by US News and World Report. They received a bronze medal for the second time in five years. This places them in the top 30 percent of schools across the country.

### MHSAA TV

A group of ambitious Alcona High School students are going to produce selected athletic events that will be available online after the game has completed. They will be uploaded to the Web and found at [mhsaa.tv/Alcona](http://mhsaa.tv/Alcona)

Be sure to check the website for a schedule of upcoming events.



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# Calendar of Events

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formation, call (989) 736-8022 or (989) 736-6045.

Alcona retirees meet for a potluck lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Free Zumba dance class at noon in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St., newcomers welcome. Call, (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Community Walking Club for everyone meets at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St., at 8:30 a.m.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**  
Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 N. Second St., Harrisville is hosting a free concert at 6:30 p.m. featuring Randy and Marli Brown. Invite your neighbors for an evening of music followed by ice cream sundaes.

Popcorn and a movie at 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St.

A speaker from the Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program will be at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St. at 4 p.m. to assist with Medicare registration. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

All-you-can-eat fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Mikado American Legion, 2205 N. Alger St. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children ages six to 12, five and under free.

Storytime and craft for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St., from 10:15 to 11 a.m. For more information, call (989) 7724-6796.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

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.

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the fairgrounds in Lincoln (across from Kris Mart). For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

Free movie matinee "Horton Hears a Who" at 12:30 p.m. at the Curtis Township Library, 4884 Bamfield Rd., Glennie. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (989) 735-2601.

Quirky Quilters Quilt Guild will host "A Harvest of Quilts" from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Cedar Lake Elementary School on Cedar Lake Rd., Oscoda. Cost is \$4 for adults, students under age 12 admitted free.

My Brother's Hope will be open from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 N. State

St. (US-23). Lunch will be served. For more information, call Susan Armstrong (989) 724-6365.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

Nationally known Americana roots musicians Suzanne and Jim will headline the closing concert of the Alcona Arts Retreat at 1 p.m. at the lakeside pavilion at Lost Lake Woods Club, north of Lincoln. The public is welcome at this event supported by free will donations. Grilled lunch items will be available at ordinary prices. Visit [www.InspirationAlcona.org](http://www.InspirationAlcona.org) for directions.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

Senior commodities will be distributed from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

A speaker from the Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program will be at the Curtis Township hall, 4932 F-30, Glennie at 4 p.m. to assist with Medicare registration. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Get Crafty for Adults at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 W. Main St. from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The project for September is pressed flower bookmarks. There is a \$3 charge for supplies. Call, (989) 724-6796 to register.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

Weight Loss Support group will meet at the Lincoln United Methodist Church, 101 E. Main St. at 4 p.m. Visitors are welcome and there is no membership fee. For more information, call (989) 736-8645 or (989) 736-8338.

Music and sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St. in the dining room.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**

The Alcona County Chamber of Commerce will meet at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library.

Alcona County needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St., from 2 to 4 p.m. All items will be donated to local organizations. Bring your knitting needles, looms, yarn and patterns. Beginning crafters are welcome. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

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3. Cry Me a River
4. And I Love Her
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6. Imagine
7. Summertime
8. Blackbird
9. Over the Rainbow
10. The Look of Love

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## Organization Notes

### VFW Post No. 6754 Ladies Auxiliary

The August meeting was held with 11 members present. The highlight of the meeting was the initiation of Marcia Simmons after which she was warmly welcomed into the auxiliary.

The minutes and the treasurer's report were given. Motions were made to increase the bi-monthly donation to \$20 for the purchase of cookies, et cetera for the Alpena VA Clinic and to purchase 10 tickets at a cost of \$20.

The Audit Report was read and accepted. President Kathy Vichunas advised the membership that the District 11 meeting will be held in Kawkawlin, Mich. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 4.

### River Aux Sables Chapter DAR

River Aux Sables Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution wish to inform the public that Friday, Sept. 17 begins the national celebration of Constitution Week.

The weeklong commemoration of America's most important document is one of our country's least known official observances. Our Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties and freedom, and to ensure those unalienable rights to every American.

In 1955, the Daughters of the American Revolution petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The Resolution was signed into Public Law No. 915 on August 2, 1956 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The

aims of the celebration are to

- Emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution, preserving it for posterity;

- To inform the people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life;

- Encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.

The United States of America functions as a Republic under the Constitution, which is the oldest document still in active use that outlines the self-government of a people. This landmark idea that men had the inalienable right as individuals to be free and live their lives under their own governance was the impetus of the American Revolution.

Today, the Constitution stands as an icon of freedom for people around the world. Learn what your Constitution does and does not say. You may find that it is very different from what people commonly believe the Constitutional Amendments do state as to what their rights really are.

## Miss Iosco program hosts orientation meetings

The Miss Iosco Scholarship Pageant is hosting orientation meetings for any girls interested in participating in the 2012 Miss Iosco Scholarship Pageant.

Orientation meetings will be held on Sunday, Sept. 16 at 1 p.m. in the Oscoda High School commons and at 4 p.m. at the Victorian Cafe in Hale. These meetings will be orientation for Princess ages eight to 12) Teenagers (ages 13-17) and Miss (ages 17-24).

Girls who live, work, or attend school in Iosco County are eligible for these pageants. All three reigning queens will wear their crown for Miss Iosco for one year.

This year will be the first Princess Pageant. This pageant is designed for girls ages eight-12 and is a way to introduce them to the Miss America Organization. These girls will have the opportunity to showcase their talent and learn the layout of the stage. The Princess Pageant will be held October 20 at Oscoda High School in the Maryanne Bartels Auditorium at 2 p.m.

The Miss Outstanding Teen and Miss Iosco Scholarship pageants will be Saturday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. at Oscoda High School in the Maryanne Bartels Auditorium.

This will be the second pageant for Miss Outstanding Teen. These young women (ages 13-17) will compete in talent, evening wear, lifestyle and fitness in active wear and an onstage question category. This is also part of the Miss America Organization.








For the Miss Iosco Pageant young women (ages 17-24) will also compete in talent, evening wear, lifestyle and fitness in swim wear and an onstage question category. This is also part of the Miss America Organization.

The orientations will provide the girls with more information about rehearsals, requirements and dress. For more information, contact the executive directors Sarah or Colleen at [missiosco-county@gmail.com](mailto:missiosco-county@gmail.com). Check out the pageant requirements at <http://missioscocounty.webs.com>.

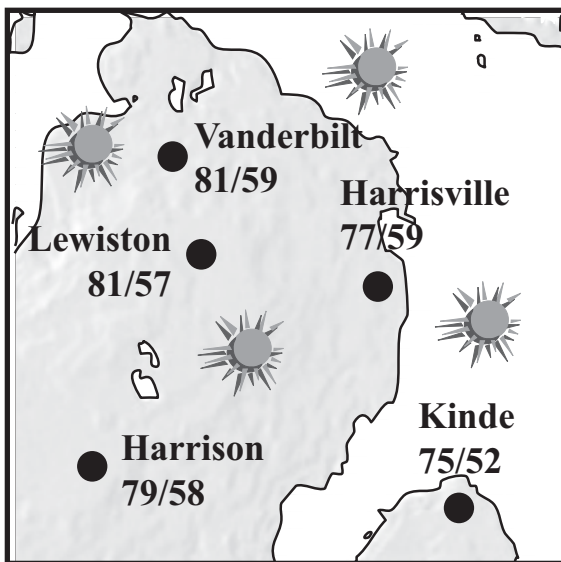
## Alcona Review Weather Report

Aug. 29, 2012

### Seven Day Forecast

	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Sunny High: 77 Low: 59
	<b>THURSDAY</b> Sunny High: 79 Low: 68
	<b>FRIDAY</b> Sunny High: 85 Low: 65
	<b>SATURDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 78 Low: 64
	<b>SUNDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 76 Low: 61
	<b>MONDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 75 Low: 59
	<b>TUESDAY</b> Sunny High: 79 Low: 58

### Today's Regional Map



### In-Depth Local Forecast



Today we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 77°, humidity of 73%. South wind 5 mph. The record high temperature for today is 95° set in 1953. Expect mostly clear skies tonight with an overnight low of 59°. Southwest wind 5 mph. The record low for tonight is 30° set in 1982. Thursday, skies will be sunny with a high temperature of 79°, humidity of 69%.

### \*Last Week's Almanac

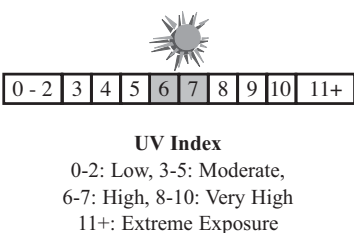
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	73	44	75/52	0.00"
Tuesday	77	46	75/52	0.00"
Wednesday	84	50	75/52	0.00"
Thursday	84	50	75/52	0.00"
Friday	89	65	74/52	0.00"
Saturday	91	58	74/51	0.00"
Sunday	90	61	74/51	0.15"

\*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

### Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
Full 8/31	Wednesday	6:52 a.m.	8:15 p.m.	6:55 p.m.	4:45 a.m.	
	Thursday	6:53 a.m.	8:13 p.m.	7:25 p.m.	5:55 a.m.	
	Friday	6:55 a.m.	8:11 p.m.	7:52 p.m.	7:03 a.m.	
	Saturday	6:56 a.m.	8:09 p.m.	8:18 p.m.	8:09 a.m.	
	Sunday	6:57 a.m.	8:07 p.m.	8:44 p.m.	9:14 a.m.	
Last 9/8	Monday	6:58 a.m.	8:06 p.m.	9:11 p.m.	10:18 a.m.	
	Tuesday	6:59 a.m.	8:04 p.m.	9:41 p.m.	11:20 a.m.	

### Local UV Index



### National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated showers and thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 91° in Carbondale, Ill. The Southeast will see heavy rain today and Thursday as Isaac moves through the region, scattered thunderstorms Friday, with the highest temperature of 93° in Winter Haven, Fla. The Northwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 104° in Sheridan, Wyo. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 109° in Bullhead City, Ariz.

### Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	5:48 a.m.	7:56 p.m.
Venus	3:06 a.m.	5:58 p.m.
Mars	11:57 a.m.	10:14 p.m.
Jupiter	12:18 a.m.	3:29 p.m.
Saturn	11:08 a.m.	10:10 p.m.
Uranus	9:16 p.m.	9:43 a.m.

### Weather History

**Aug. 29, 1965** - A national record for the month of August was established when 2.5 inches of snow fell atop Mount Washington, N.H. Temperatures in New England dipped to 39 degrees at Nantucket, Mass. and to 25 degrees in Vermont.

### Weather Trivia

How are tornadoes formed?

**Answer:** When thunderstorm clouds produce rapidly rotating winds.

[www.WhatsOurWeather.com](http://www.WhatsOurWeather.com)

### StarWatch By Gary Becker - Blue Moon Shining on Me

While listening to an Elvis Presley CD, my attention was riveted to one of his songs, "Blue Moon." Richard Rodgers's, another famous song writer, also wrote about the blue moon. Both Presley's and Rodger's renditions of the blue moon were negative. In the Presley song, Elvis is pining about lost or future loves while Rodgers is writing about the "bad in every man." But there is an astronomical definition of a blue moon which carries no emotional stigma. Here the blue moon is the second full moon of a month, a condition that occurs once every two or three years and twice in a single year when a blue moon falls in January, and then again in March. Since the moon requires 29-1/2 days to complete its phase cycle, no blue moon could ever happen in February, since even in a leap year, there are only 29 days. Yet it wasn't always that way. The origin of our modern concept of a blue moon really occurred as an error made in a 1946 issue of "Sky and Telescope" magazine. Data garnered from the "Maine Farmers' Almanac—1937" was interpreted incorrectly and became our modern concept of the blue moon. In a normal year there are 12 full moons, but every couple of years, an extra full moon must occur. The "Maine Farmers' Almanac" divided the year into four lunar seasons with each full moon having a name. The first full moon of year was called the Moon after Yule, followed by the Wolf Moon, and then the Lenten Moon. A fourth full moon added into the mix would cause the full moon names to become out of synch with the seasons. To correct for this error, the third full moon in the sequence became known as the blue moon, thus keeping the run of full moon names always in step with the seasons. The first full moon in August occurred late on the first. A second full moon, a blue moon, happens late on Friday, August 31. [www.astronomy.org](http://www.astronomy.org)

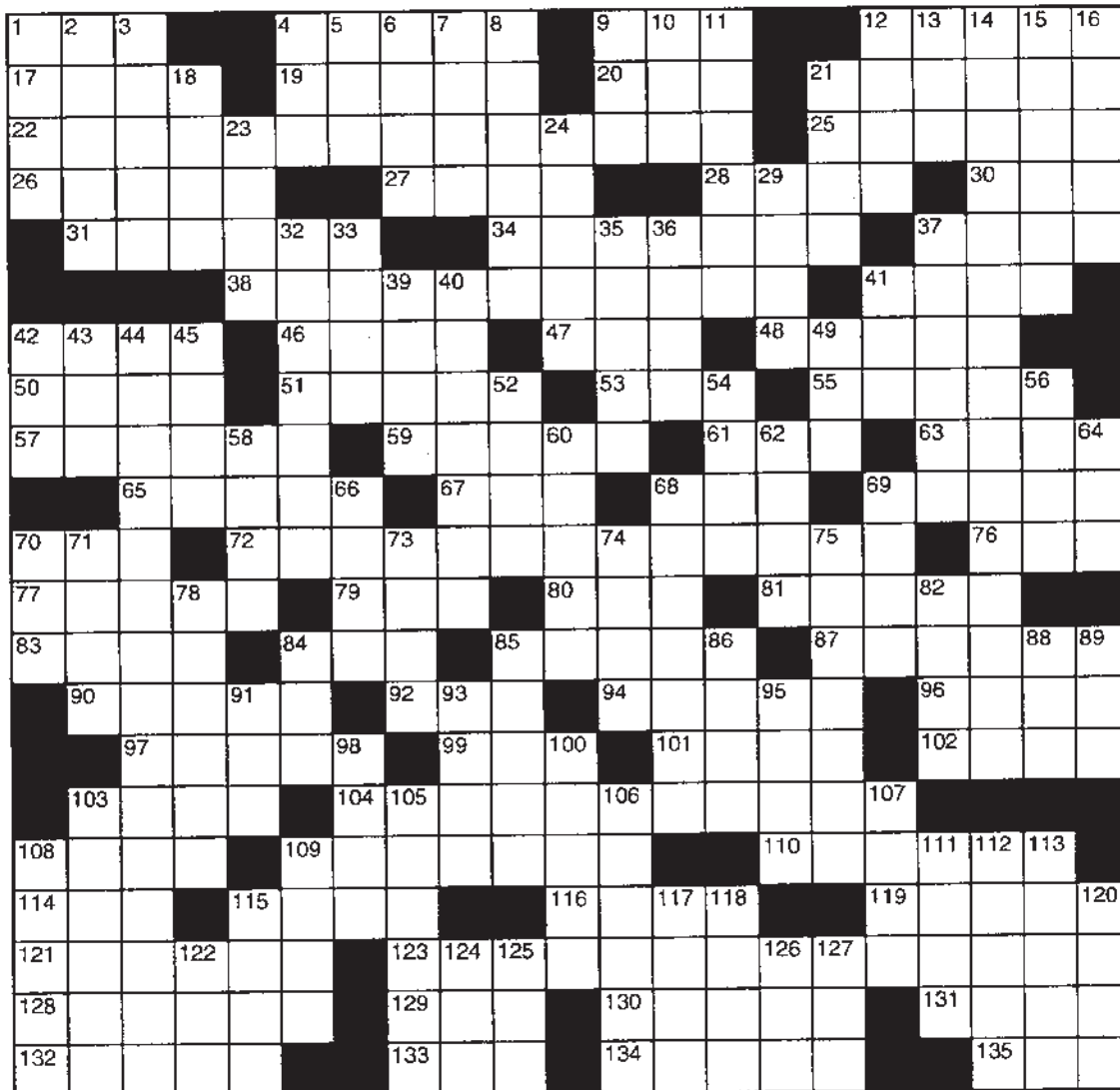
**TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez**

- MATH:** What is the Arabic equivalent of the Roman numerals MLXVI?
- CHEMISTRY:** What is the chemical symbol for copper?
- TELEVISION:** What was the name of the company that employed the title characters in "Laverne and Shirley"?
- MUSIC:** What rock band composed the soundtrack to the 1984 movie "Dune"?
- ENTERTAINERS:** What was comedian/actor Bob Hope's theme song?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the nickname for Georgetown University's sports teams?
- LITERATURE:** Who wrote the novel "Brideshead Revisited"?
- MEDICAL TERMS:** What is a common name for bruxism?
- GEOGRAPHY:** What modern country encompasses most of the area once known as Asia Minor?
- MEASUREMENTS:** What is a quintal equivalent to?

Answers 1. 1066; 2. CU; 3. Sholtz Brewery; 4. Toto; 5. "Thanks for the Memory"; 6. Hoyas; 7. Evelyn Waugh; 8. Teeth grinding; 9. Turkey; 10. 100 kilograms or pounds. (c) 2012 King Features Synd., Inc.

**Super Crossword WELL-ROUNDED**

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| <b>ACROSS</b>                     | <b>59</b> Parasite                   | <b>101</b> Football's Van                | <b>3</b> Type                           | <b>40</b> Babe in the woods                | <b>88</b> Member of the mil.                 |
| <b>1</b> Existed                  | <b>61</b> Casserole cover            | <b>102</b> Like kids at Christmas        | <b>4</b> Except                         | <b>41</b> Theater sign                     | <b>89</b> Joke                               |
| <b>4</b> Obscure                  | <b>63</b> Place of origin            | <b>103</b> Drescher of "The Nanny"       | <b>5</b> Monty's milieu                 | <b>42</b> Arthur of "Maude"                | <b>91</b> Tons of time                       |
| <b>9</b> Apply lightly            | <b>65</b> Pack peppers               | <b>104</b> Hollywood award               | <b>6</b> What the shoe does             | <b>43</b> Griffon greeting                 | <b>93</b> Hard on the eyes                   |
| <b>12</b> Fashionably nostalgic   | <b>67</b> New Deal agcy.             | <b>108</b> Banister                      | <b>7</b> — Rios, Jamaica                | <b>44</b> Minnie Driver film               | <b>95</b> Author Hubbard                     |
| <b>17</b> Choir member            | <b>68</b> Reggae's Marley            | <b>109</b> Cheeseboard choice            | <b>8</b> Ancient tongue                 | <b>45</b> Successor                        | <b>98</b> Brute                              |
| <b>19</b> City on the Mohawk      | <b>69</b> "Roots" Emmy winner        | <b>110</b> Jet of yore                   | <b>9</b> Couple                         | <b>49</b> Bizarre                          | <b>100</b> Pied-a-—                          |
| <b>20</b> Actor Tognazzi          | <b>70</b> Blanc or Brooks            | <b>114</b> Fury                          | <b>10</b> Past                          | <b>52</b> Rosemary or basil                | <b>103</b> Breakfast food                    |
| <b>21</b> Shrivel up              | <b>72</b> The Cyrkle hit             | <b>115</b> Encounter                     | <b>11</b> Tiny tree                     | <b>54</b> Hunk of gunk                     | <b>105</b> Get the better of                 |
| <b>22</b> Joe Harnell hit         | <b>76</b> Narcs' org.                | <b>116</b> "— Lama Ding Dong" ('61 tune) | <b>12</b> Indian export                 | <b>56</b> Hook's henchman                  | <b>106</b> Kevin of "SNL"                    |
| <b>25</b> In distress             | <b>77</b> Sheepish sound             | <b>119</b> Dropped the ball              | <b>13</b> Archaic ending                | <b>58</b> Transport                        | <b>107</b> Part of EMT                       |
| <b>26</b> Actress Shire           | <b>79</b> Sandra of "A Summer Place" | <b>121</b> "Blue Velvet" singer          | <b>14</b> Gary Lewis & the Playboys hit | <b>60</b> Plot                             | <b>108</b> Shipbuilding need                 |
| <b>27</b> Individual performances | <b>80</b> Neighbor of Tenn.          | <b>123</b> Merv Griffin creation         | <b>15</b> Let                           | <b>62</b> Bridge support                   | <b>109</b> Passed-on item                    |
| <b>28</b> Asta's father           | <b>81</b> Tracking tool              | <b>128</b> Salad veggie                  | <b>16</b> Phantom instrument            | <b>64</b> Bikini part                      | <b>111</b> Fleming and Linkletter            |
| <b>30</b> Police hdqrs.           | <b>83</b> Singer Tori                | <b>129</b> "— Man" ('67 hit)             | <b>18</b> Skip                          | <b>66</b> Whirlpool                        | <b>112</b> Consequences alternative          |
| <b>31</b> Profited                | <b>84</b> Spud bud                   | <b>130</b> Senator Hatch                 | <b>21</b> Beaver's dad                  | <b>68</b> Like mountain air                | <b>113</b> Skater Sonja                      |
| <b>34</b> NATO member             | <b>85</b> Vote in                    | <b>131</b> Mix                           | <b>23</b> "I could — horse!"            | <b>69</b> With 117 Down, Italian statesman | <b>115</b> Budge                             |
| <b>37</b> Churchill's successor   | <b>87</b> Dull                       | <b>132</b> Cafe vessel                   | <b>24</b> Biblical book                 | <b>70</b> Exec's deg.                      | <b>117</b> See 69 Down                       |
| <b>38</b> Jason Biggs film        | <b>90</b> Time and again             | <b>133</b> Craggy hill                   | <b>29</b> "Mockingbird" singer          | <b>71</b> Actor Lincoln                    | <b>118</b> Fluffy coif                       |
| <b>41</b> Coasted                 | <b>92</b> It may be fake             | <b>134</b> Peter of Herman's Hermits     | <b>32</b> Attempt to equal              | <b>73</b> Shorten a sail                   | <b>120</b> Bruce of "Coming Home"            |
| <b>42</b> Fugue composer          | <b>94</b> Stringed instrument        | <b>135</b> Lady lobster                  | <b>33</b> Oscar — Renta                 | <b>74</b> Hgt.                             | <b>122</b> "Whether — nobler in the mind..." |
| <b>46</b> — Bator                 | <b>96</b> Machu Picchu native        | <b>DOWN</b>                              | <b>35</b> Tennyson's Arden              | <b>75</b> '59 Ritchie Valens hit           | <b>124</b> Medical grp.                      |
| <b>47</b> Grab all the goodies    | <b>97</b> Tolkien character          | <b>1</b> Float on the breeze             | <b>36</b> Green org.                    | <b>78</b> Starry                           | <b>125</b> Corn portion                      |
| <b>48</b> Anthony Quinn role      | <b>99</b> Attained                   | <b>2</b> Jones of "Show Boat"            | <b>37</b> Wades through a crowd         | <b>82</b> Peerce piece                     | <b>126</b> Perch part                        |
| <b>50</b> Pennsylvania port       |                                      |  | <b>39</b> Julia of "Havana"             | <b>84</b> Remnant                          | <b>127</b> Waugh's "The Loved —"             |
| <b>51</b> Crack up                |                                      |  |   | <b>85</b> Carve a canyon                   |  |
| <b>53</b> Taxi                    |                                      |  |   | <b>86</b> Implement                        |  |
| <b>55</b> Condemns                |                                      |  |   |  |  |
| <b>57</b> Where to find a fennec  |                                      |  |   |  |  |



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**STRANGE BUT TRUE by Samantha Weaver**

• It was William E. Vaughan who made the following sage observation: "To err is human, but to really foul things up you need a computer."

• Those who study such things say that your brain can store 100 times as much information as a typical desktop computer.

• In 1930, United Airlines began using the aviation industry's first stewardesses. To qualify for the position, applicants had to be registered nurses.

• George Washington, Dolley Madison, Thomas Jefferson and Alexander Hamilton helped to found this country, but that wasn't all they had in common; they were also all big fans of eating ice cream.

• If you ever hear an orangutan belch, you'd better watch out. That's a warning sign that you're encroaching on his territory.

• When Andrew Jackson was running for president in 1828, an opponent called him a jackass. Instead of being offended, Jackson embraced the epithet, using the image of a donkey in campaign materials to represent his stubborn refusal to knuckle under to big business. Later, Thomas Nash, a political cartoonist in New York, started using the donkey to represent the Democratic Party as a whole.

• If you're a well-traveled person, you might have noticed that the average woman in Scandinavia is taller than the average man in Asia.

• Only 12 people have walked on the surface of the moon.

• The framework for the Statue of Liberty was built by Gustave Eiffel, who later became famous for building Paris' iconic tower.

• If you're stopping at a fast-food restaurant for lunch today, you might want to consider the following: It takes a whopping 1,500 gallons of water to produce an average fast-food meal.

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Thought for the Day: "The more information you get, the less fantasy you have." — Andy Warhol

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**MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel**

• On Sept. 13, 1814, Francis Scott Key pens a poem, which is later set to the music of a popular English drinking tune called "To Anacreon in Heaven." In 1931 the song becomes America's national anthem, "The Star-Spangled Banner."

• On Sept. 10, 1897, a 25-year-old London taxi driver named George Smith becomes the first person ever arrested for drunk driving. A true breath test didn't come along until 1931 with a device called the Drunkometer. It involved a blow-up balloon and a tube filled with a purple fluid (potassium permanganate and sulfuric acid). Alcohol on a person's breath changed the color of the fluid from purple to yellow; the quicker the change, the drunker the person.

• On Sept. 14, 1927, dancer Isadora Duncan is strangled in Nice, France, when the enormous silk scarf she is wearing gets tangled in the rear hubcaps of her open car. The scarf wound around the axle, tightening around Duncan's neck and dragging her from the car.

• On Sept. 16, 1940, the first peacetime draft in the history of the United States is imposed. Registration of men between the ages of 21 and 36 began exactly one month later. There were some 20 million eligible young men — 50 percent were rejected in the first year for health reasons or illiteracy.

• On Sept. 12, 1953, Massachusetts Sen. John F. Kennedy, the future 35th president of the United States, marries Jacqueline Bouvier in Newport, R.I. Seven years later, the couple would become the youngest president and first lady in American history.

• On Sept. 15, 1978, boxer Muhammad Ali defeats Leon Spinks at the Louisiana Superdome in New Orleans to win the world heavyweight boxing title for the third time in his career, the first fighter ever to do so. Ali left the sport permanently in 1981.

• On Sept. 11, 1985, Cincinnati Reds player-manager Pete Rose gets the 4,192nd hit of his career, breaking Ty Cobb's major league record for career hits. Rose was a folk hero in Cincinnati, a home-grown talent known as "Charlie Hustle" for his relentless work ethic.

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**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★**

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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### SALES

Our Savior Lutheran Church yard sale, with a variety of different items, Friday, August 31 and Saturday, September 1; 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., 3639 M-65 in Glennie.

Moving sale excellent condition household furniture, recliner, coffee and end tables, oak entertainment center, television, pictures, bedding, 16 foot Cobia boat with Mercury motor, trailer and downriggers and much more, 2231 Hubbard Lake Road, Lincoln between Ritchie and Miller Roads, August 30 and 31, September 1 and 2; 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Garage sale 5145 LaFave Road, Black River, Friday, August 31, Saturday, September 1 and Sunday, September 2, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Such stuff sale Thursday, August 30 through Saturday, September 1, 4095 South London, Mikado. Table saw, radial arm saw, some antiques, household and more, starts 8 a.m.

Garage Sale August 31 and September 1, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., assorted beads and miscellaneous items, 2816 East M-72.

Brownlee Lake Association garage sale, all proceeds go to the preservation of Brownlee Lake, 1142 North Sleeper Drive, Lincoln, corner of F-41 (Barlow Road) and north Sleeper, Friday and Saturday, August 31 and September 1, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Garage sale 1925 Lake Shore Drive, Harrisville, Friday, August 31 through Sunday, September 2, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Some antiques, exercise equipment, fire pit and barn items.

Huge four family yard sale, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lots of new items, Halloween costumes and accessories, everything priced to sell, 2034 West Trask Lake Road, Barton City.

27<sup>th</sup> annual multi-family sale, 874 M-72 one mile west of Hubbard Lake Road, Friday, Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Adult plus size and size two boy's clothing, household items, toys, fishing, dishes and lots of miscellaneous.

### TROUT FISHING

Cedarbrook Trout Farm open for public fishing seven days a week, 12-6 p.m. No license required, bait and equipment furnished. Two and a half miles north of Harrisville and one half mile north on Lakeshore Drive.

### FOR RENT

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Are you ready for our annual pre-Labor Day Weekend garage sale on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 29, 30, 31, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.? Hurry over to 101 Huron, Harrisville, near the bank, because it has started! Treasures galore-clothing, toys, holiday items, craft items, tools, glassware, books and much more. This is probably our biggest sale so you don't want to miss it! Hope to see you there.

**HARRISVILLE ESTATE SALE**  
 578 S. US-23, Fri., Aug. 31 & Sat., Sept. 1, 9-3 p.m. Furn., household items, many tools, skeet shooting equip., linens, gun cases, electric hospital bed, over the bed hospital tray, electric vibrating lift chair, kitchen set & much more.

### BINGO

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

Mikado Goodfellows Bingo every Monday 6:30 p.m. at Mikado Civic Center. Winner take all game and cookie jar. All proceeds to charity.

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

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

Bingo-Every Saturday at the Barton City Eagles from 5:30 to 11 p.m.

On August 7<sup>th</sup>, the voters of Alcona County said NO to the tax for the HUNT government interdiction unit.

On August 17<sup>th</sup>, the County Commissioners voted 3 to 2 to put the tax proposal back on the ballot for November.

At the same meeting, the Commissioners set aside a proposal from 75 petitioners for funding a local officer to work in the schools and with at-risk youth and others throughout the county on preventing drug and alcohol abuse, and other duties.

Instead of working together for real solutions that teach our children how to make right choices, the County Commission pushed the HUNT tax back at the voters after we already said NO.

We teach our children that NO means NO.  
 Now we must teach our County Commission the same.

## The people have spoken NO means NO

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Mikado Home Health Care needs reliable CNAs for 12 hour shifts, (989) 736-3202.

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Home health care agency seeking dependable home health aides in Greenbush, Harrisville, Lincoln and surrounding areas. Hours vary and are flexible. Please apply by faxing resume to (989) 354-0442, in person at 1691 M-32, Alpena, or online at CompassionateCareMi.com.

Need help removing brush, Barton City-Lincoln area, teenagers okay, (810) 650-2019.

Part time help wanted: Experienced waitress/server must be 18, reliable, upbeat, motivated and able to work independently. Interest applicants should apply to Lakewood Shores POA Beach Club, 7701 East Cedar Lake Drive, Oscoda.

Alcona Health Center is currently accepting applications for a contingent dental assistant. The position requires the applicant to work in the Oscoda Services clinic and sometimes in the Alpena Services clinic. Dental experience is preferred. Submit handwritten letter of interest along with your resume to: Alcona Health Center, Attention Lea, 177 North Barlow Road, Lincoln, Mich. 48742. Deadline to apply is September 6, 2012. Equal opportunity employer.

Fabrication Welder: Now accepting applications for two full-time positions. Experience required. Will be tested. Electrical, hydraulics and mechanical ability useful. Excellent benefits after 90 day eligibility. Submit resume by September 21, 2012 to W & S Dredge Manufacturer, 4957 Main Street, Greenbush, Mich. 48738 or e-mail to rmkoenig@wsdredge.com.

Experienced cook/kitchen supervisor days, nights, weekends and some holidays. Looking for experience cooking breakfast, lunch and dinners, ordering, inventory, supervising kitchen staff and cash register operations. Please send resume with handwritten cover letter to: Lakewood Shores Beach Club, Attention Executive Director, 7701 East Cedar Lake Drive, Oscoda, Mich. 48750.

Counselor: Outpatient substance abuse/mental health counselor wanted to work out of our Alpena office, covering Harrisville and Tawas areas. Full time, excellent benefits, MSW/MA with license required, as well as substance abuse counseling experience. Send resume and cover letter to Catholic Human Services, 154 Ripley, Alpena, Mich. 49707.

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fka The Bank of New York as trustee for the benefit of the certificate holders of the CWABS Inc., asset backed certificates, series 2004-2 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred forty-eight thousand nine hundred thirty-six and 02/100 dollars (\$148,936.02). 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 September 12, 2012. Said premises are situated in township of Mikado, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The east 1/2 of the northwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 6, Township 25 North, Range 8 East. The redemption period shall be six

Fordney Road, Hemlock, Mich. 48626, mortgagee. Said mortgage given by the mortgagor and recorded on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2006 in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, Michigan in Liber 429, pages 118-120 inclusive and on which mortgage there is a claimed to be due and owing on the date of this notice the sum of two thousand thirty four and 07/100 (\$2,034.07) plus interest, costs and attorney fees incurred from July 1, 2011 as provided by said mortgage note.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises or some part of them at a public venue at the west entrance to the

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.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: August 15, 2012  
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. 088687F02  
8-15, 8-22, 8-29, 9-5

Alcona County courthouse in Harrisville, Mich. at 10 a.m. on October 3, 2012. Said premises are described as follows to wit: Lots 27 and 28 of Hubbard View Estates, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 2 of Plats, page 65, Alcona County records.

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

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2012.  
For more information, please call.  
David H. Cook  
Attorney for Mortgagee  
5466 M-72, P.O. Box 585  
Harrisville, MI 48740  
(989) 724-5155  
8-15, 8-22, 8-29, 9-5

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012 at 10 a.m. o'clock local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Mich. (that being the building where the circuit court for the county of Alcona is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 5.32 percent per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the city of Spruce, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

The W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 6, T28N, R8E. During the six months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale. Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: August 22, 2012  
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-4, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-4 mortgagee  
Fabrizio & Brook, P.C.  
Attorney for Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-4, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-4  
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mises, 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 September 26, 2012. Said premises are located in the township of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Township of Harrisville, county of Alcona, state of Michigan. The west 1/2 of Lot 4 and entire Lot 5, Assessor's Plat of Dorr's Rolling Acres, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, page 84 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.

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 the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: August 29, 2012  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 326.9289  
8-29, 9-5, 9-12, 9-19

#### State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 12-5096 DE

Estate of Robert F. Dickinson  
Date of birth: July 15, 1920  
To all creditors:  
Notice to creditors: The decedent, Robert F. Dickinson, who lived at 4295 Cotontail Trail, Lincoln, Mich. died November 29, 2011. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Diane J. Klumpp, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at P.O. Box 328, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.  
Date: August 22, 2012  
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Harrisville, MI 48740  
(989) 724-5155  
Diane J. Klumpp  
1566 Palace Way, Unit 25  
Lake Havasu City, Ariz. 86403

#### HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

A Harrisville Township Board special meeting was held Friday, Aug. 24 at noon at the township hall. The full board was present at the special, pre-posted meeting called by the supervisor to discuss the rejection of the millage for the township hall and decide the renewal of the road millage on the November election.

After a short discussion motion Pyne/Johnston: To accept the decision of the voters and not put the request on the November ballot. Motion carried unanimously. Motion Jamieson/Pyne: To stop the leaks in the hall roof, not to exceed \$1,000. This will get us through until spring when a decision will be made as to what to do. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussed roads needing attention: Clark, South Everett, South Colville and South Poor Farm Roads, et cetera. Do we want to ask for a renewal of the road millage on the November ballot for two or four years? Motion Jamieson/Pyne: To ask the township residents for a renewal of the road millage for four years, with the change of the wording from repairs and maintenance to upgrading, tar and chip, et cetera, so as not to limit the board's discussions. Roll call vote: Two ayes, three nays - motion failed.  
Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Roger D. Jamieson,  
Township Clerk  
Published prior to board approval.

#### GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP MINUTES

Greenbush Township Supervisor Ed Roddy called the meeting to order on Wednesday, Aug 8 at 7 p.m., at the township hall. Eight guests were present who joined in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Roll call was taken. Present: Supervisor Roddy, clerk Art Winter, treasurer Pat Dailey and trustee Sally Olin. Absent: Trustee Gary Abraham. Motion Dailey/Olin: To approve the agenda as written. All ayes; motion carried. Motion Dailey/Olin: To accept the July minutes as written. Roll call vote; motion carried. Under public comments, supervisor Roddy recognized Jess Campbell, Alcona County Road Commission manager, who talked to us concerning Yukon/Wilcox roads at \$33,000; Wissmiller Road at \$16,500; and Kennedy Road at \$12,708.75. All these roads are to have gravel applied and reworked. Timberlake roads were discussed and there will be no

work done on them this year. Some discussion. Matthew Marsh questioned if there has been any progress on his mother's property on Lake Street. After much discussion, pictures being drawn and more discussion it was decided to get with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and road commission and see what can be done. Motion Winter/Olin: To approve the financial report and place on file for audit; motion carried. Motion Olin/Roddy: To pay July bills as presented - check numbers 14547-14585: grand total \$15,424.62; fire \$1,623.56; remainder \$13,801.06 being general fund. Roll call vote: All ayes; Abraham absent; carried. Miscellaneous reports: Carolyn Brummund, county commissioner, brought board up to speed on what is happening at county level and further

items of interest at county level. Fire Chief Franks reported eight first responder calls and two fire calls for the month of July. The chicken barbecue was a huge success. Some discussion. Zoning administrator Major was not present at township meeting. Hall rentals: Supervisor Roddy stated no rentals coming up this month. Assessor Schwickert not present at this meeting. G.R.A.C. stated everything is going good at this time. Some discussion. Planning commission will be revising the Master Plan and redoing some of the ordinances. Correspondence: Supervisor Roddy had correspondence that he shared with the board pertaining to flood management. Clerk Winter had a letter concerning the water at the township hall. Pending business: Motion Daily/Olin: To authorize the road commission to proceed with the road work necessary on Yukon/Wilcox

roads in the amount of \$33,573.00; all ayes; Abraham absent. Motion Olin/Dailey: To authorize the road commission to proceed with the road work necessary on Wissmiller Road in the amount of \$16,739.50; all ayes; Abraham absent. Motion Dailey/Olin: to authorize the road commission to proceed with the road work necessary on Kennedy Road in the amount of \$12,708.75; all ayes; Abraham absent. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m. at the call of the supervisor.  
Art Winter  
Greenbush Township Clerk  
Published prior to board approval. Next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 4 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall. Next regular scheduled planning commission meeting is Thursday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall.

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## Alcona County Fair closes with record livestock market sale

**By Mary Weber**  
Staff Writer

Five days of orchestrated events and good weather made for a successful Alcona County Fair last week.

Fair goers were treated to a variety of displays, carnival rides, horsemanship, farm animal viewing and an array of shows and contests.

The Alcona Junior Livestock Club Market Sale enjoyed record-breaking support from the public with direct auction sales of over \$62,000 with an additional \$1,700 in re-sold offerings. "Our sales have typically brought about \$30,000 to \$40,000," said Candy Fulsher, market club advisor.

In spite of weeks of drought, hot weather and high feed prices the livestock club brought 111 lots to the market sale, according to 4-H leader Jaci Fitzgerald. Topping the sale were six finished steers selling for \$2.70 to \$4 per pound. Turkeys were the most numerous with 30, followed closely by a line-

up of 25 swine.

Over one hundred bidders registered for the auction. "The Livestock Club is really grateful for the support of our buyers and we were glad to see many new individuals and businesses attend the sale this year. We owe a great deal to Ivan Sumerix and his auction crew of volunteers. They always get the best prices possible, working hard on behalf of the Market Club members," said Jenny McGuire, market club president.

The draft horse pull was a crowd pleaser with horses pulling sleds in excess of 5,000 pounds. Fine horsemanship was also exhibited during the youth horse show; youth speed show, open horse show and open horse speed show.

Fair patrons were treated to exhibits and demonstrations including a Perkins & Company Shingle Mill owned and operated by Michigan Cedar Products. Sawyer Ron Mochty was pleased with the attention the shingle mill generated at the fair. "The people

here are very interested and friendly, it's been one of the best fairs I've attended," Mochty said.

Great Lakes Timber Show's Curt Hiser echoed Mochty's comments, "The people here have been very receptive and we've had some wonderful audiences. We have a lot of fun putting on the shows and when the crowd enjoys it like they have here it makes it all the more fun. The weather has been beautiful," Hiser said.

"I can tell you one thing," said drenched log roller, Robert Freeman, "the well water here is really cold, really, really cold."

"I wouldn't know about that," said Freeman's competitor, log roller, Jason Hiser who only had wet feet.

Cirque Amongus was a favorite for the kids who practiced with the professionals and participated in the shows. A 14 foot unicycle ridden by circus professional, Sem Abrahams, scared and delighted the crowd as he climbed atop the cycle via a



Cirque Amongus professionals show off their unicycle and juggling skills. Photo by Mary Weber.



Great Lakes Timber Show performers (from left) Robert Freeman and Jason Hiser demonstrate log rolling while Curt Hiser explains and critiques their technique. Photo by Mary Weber.

ladder and holding on to the top peak of the Campbell building stage.

Abrahams has amused audiences for the past 27 years and has taught circus skills to thousands through his Unicycle Sportschool in Holland, Mich. He has also held workshops in North America, Europe, South America and Asia. Abrahams showed off his expertise by riding the unicycle while juggling.

The good weather continued throughout the well attended truck and tractor pull. The crowd favorite was Jim Pyne making his third annual pull with his little Farmall B tractor at not-so-lightening speeds in excess of one mile per hour.

The fair ended with a bang up finish at the Bump and Run. Bari MacNeill of Alpena was in charge of the race and dropped the flag for the run wearing his kilt. "It's quite comfortable," MacNeill said

about his kilt.

"I used to drive in the bump and run. The drivers do get bounced around, but you are fastened in and the cars all have roll cages. The worst injury I've ever seen was a guy who had his hand out the window when his car rolled. He broke his hand," MacNeill said.

To the delight of the crowd there were several roll overs in Saturday night's race. It looked like all drivers were able to walk away without injury, however many of the banged up cars had to be towed off the race track.

The large fair board raffle first place winner was Dick George of Harrisville who won a "Grill Zone" five burner gas grill with utensils, a six foot picnic table, cooler with meat package, picnic basket with supplies, and two cases of pop.

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# Thompsons are Farm Family of the Year

Billie and Bill Thompson of Harrisville were chosen as the 2012 Farm Family of the Year of the Alcona County Fair.

Many know them as the owners of White Barn Gardens located on M-72 between Lincoln and Harrisville. Their organically grown vegetable gardens are aptly named for the large white barn the Thompsons had moved to the property in 1991.

"We wanted to re-use a structure rather than build new, so we had this barn moved to Harrisville from Hubbard Lake. It needed a lot of work. There were a lot of people in the community who wondered why we were putting a bunker in the middle of a field when we moved it there," Billie said, referring to the barn's unique shape.

Billie grew up on a farm in Mikado. "I was born at the end of Main Street in Harrisville and was quite a nice surprise for my parents. My sister was already 18 years old when I was born," she said.

Bill lived and worked for the City of Ann Arbor, Mich. until his retirement in 2001. He is on the Alcona County Board of Commissioners and volunteers for Recycle Inc. and is the key master for the weekly ARA Farm Market.

Billie is a master gardener who volunteers time with the Alcona schools community garden. "It's very rewarding to work with the kids and help the teachers at the garden. There have been some children in the school who have never had a fresh tomato and didn't realize how much better they taste when they are just picked. I love helping kids grow fresh vegetables."

The couple has two children and seven grandchildren.



Billie and Bill Thompson of Harrisville are the 2012 Alcona County Fair Farm Family of the Year. Photo by Mary Weber.



Carole Campbell is awarded the Homemaker of the Year for this year's Alcona County Fair. Campbell is the mother of five children and has seven grandchildren. She didn't know why she was awarded with such an honor. Her friend, Carolyn

Brummund, explained why she was chosen. "Carole is a great mom and was always involved with 4-H. She's a good friend. She is a wonderful caring and sharing person and enjoys helping families in the area," Brummund said. Carole was married to the late Jim Campbell who died in 1995. Photo by Mary Weber.

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## Fair

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As it ended, fair board president Doug Travis said it was a great fair. "I didn't hear anything negative about the fair this year. The weather was with us, no rain until Sunday night which was needed, and, well after the fair ended on Saturday.

"Everyone really seemed to have a good time. Logger's day was a huge success and we hope to continue that and turn it into something even bigger over the next few years," Travis said.

# Good, close harmony

**By Kathryn Fritz Kniep**  
Columnist

*"If you're a low-down bass, come on and find your place, and a tenor will be welcome never fear,*

*If you're a baritone, don't sit around alone, and a lead is what we need right over here (Riiiiight ooover here)."*

- W.A. Wyatt

It seems to happen more and more often lately. Someone will say, "You know, it's been 50 years since such-and-such happened."

My reaction is always the same. "Nooo. That can't be right. I was... well wait a minute... that was the year that... (sigh) You're right. It was 1962. That would be 50 years ago."

I find it hard to believe that so many major milestones in my life occurred half a century ago.

Which brings us to Harmony Weekend in Harrisville, also known as Labor Day. (And despite what the banners on Main Street say, I have never heard anyone refer to it as the Harmony Festival). We're celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> year and I know for certain that's right. I was there at the first one, held in the VFW parking lot on Lake Street.

In a eulogy of Russ Seeley, lead singer for the 4-Fits quartet that I wrote in 2008, I said, "In late 1959, Seely's son Matt remembers, he and his quartet came to Alpena to do a barbershop quartet show. There he and Tom Polard of the Westland area met local resident John Smith who encouraged him to bring his family to the Harrisville State Park. He did, bringing with him the members of his quartet and their families as well. The following year, more groups came and within three years, the annual camping trip had grown to enough performers to put on a concert."

"In 1962, Seely encouraged Ed McCarthy, a fellow barbershopper, to bring a flatbed trailer 'up north' and the first Harmony Weekend concert was performed from the back of the trailer. A few years later, another barbershopper, Ray McAlpin, an architect, designed the domed band shell which was placed in the VFW parking lot and used until the late 1970s, when the concert moved to the current harbor park pavilion."

A couple of years ago, I had the privilege to interview the late Otis Goodwin, longtime Harrisville resident and former mayor. He told me that one day Kenny Noyes, who owned the Shell Station and the Dairy Dome on the corner of Church and State streets and, who I believe was mayor at the time, stopped by and said, "What would you think of having some barbershop quartets sing on Labor Day?" Things must have been easier to get done then, because that same Labor Day - in 1962 -- the first concert was held. By virtue of an article in the newspaper, some signs in store windows and excited

word of mouth, a goodly crowd was there.

The barbershoppers in question came, that first year, from all over Michigan. J. Russell (Rip) Hughes, the prosecuting attorney, emceed. By way of introduction, he explained to us that he'd been chosen for that job because he could make his voice carry out into the crowd without a microphone.

Mr. Hughes had been a paper boy and in his youth was sometimes drafted to call the fights in Detroit, Mich. He illustrated this ability by standing on the stage, turning in circles and shouting, "Ladies and Gentlemen...In this corner, weighing 258 pounds..." We had to admit, you could certainly hear him.

After that, some other grown-ups talked for a while and then the music began. That's such a simple phrase to mark the beginning of an era - "And then the music began."

First up was a chorus - the Wayne Wonderland Chorus, if I remember correctly. They sang "God Bless America" and the impact of 50 or so male voices was impressive. But we'd heard choruses before.

We weren't so sure about barbershoppers. But now, the first of the quartets - The 4-Fits eventually internationally known -- took the stage. They wore, I remember, red blazers and straw boater hats.

One of the men blew on a little pitch pipe, they opened their mouths and sang the song that begins this column, "The Chordbuster's March." And an entire town fell in love with the power and glory of four-part harmony. Within a year, half the kids in Harrisville knew the lyrics to that song; if not how to make the chords come together.

That first concert lasted about two hours, I'd say. Even in those pre-libber days, there were Sweet Adeline groups there. People tapped their feet and clapped their hands and there's no other word - the joy in that audience was palpable. It was, as I said, the beginning of an era.

Five years later, according to the Michigan Pioneer District's History, "The City of Harrisville declared itself the 'Barbershop Capital of Michigan' and displayed banners in the streets welcoming Barbershoppers for the weekend. It was truly an outstanding event."

It was indeed. Styrofoam boats and SPEBSQSA T-shirts had become the uniforms of choice for the holiday. Every single person in town knew that SPEBSQSA stood for "Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of barbershop Quartet Singing in America" and that the groups raised funds for logaoedics, the study and treatment of speech defects in children. "We sing," the barbershoppers said, "that they may speak."

In 1968, six of local artist Bruce Hartman's students held the first Harmony Weekend art show on the top of the harbor hill. A few years

## Puttin' On The Fritz

later, Bruce, who also painted the banners referred to above, turned the show over to the Harrisville Lady Lions and ultimately, it was coordinated by the Harrisville Arts Council. Bruce and his wife Joan, led the group for many, many years. At its high point, the art show featured 500-plus artists and craftspeople and the combined art and music brought crowds of 50,000 people to town.

Despite that growth, it has remained as it began - a simple event comprised of art and music and people who think our little town is a place of good hearts and gentle people. As indeed, we are.

In 1962 I was a soprano then as I sang along. These days, I'm a baritone. It may be hard to believe it's been 50 years, but I'm proud to say I was there on that day in 1962. Back when the music began.

*(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 30 years. She has published fiction, nonfiction and poetry in several venues. She and her husband, Art, live in Harrisville. The couple has one daughter, Katrina - "the Princess," two dogs, Lady and Henry, and granddog, Bastian, all of whom are frequent victims of her column.)*



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All interested parties are invited to attend or send written comments to the Curtis Township Zoning Administrator, P.O. Box 90, Glennie, Michigan 48737. The regular meeting of the Curtis Township Planning Commission will follow the Open Hearing  
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# Craftmakers' Cabin celebrates 30<sup>th</sup> year

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

A 75-year-old log cabin built to be used as an information bureau is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> year as an Alcona County crafter's oasis.

The building, located in Harrisville on the corner of US-23 and M-72, was built in 1937 as part of President Roosevelt's Work Progress Administration (WPA) project to put hungry people back to work during the Depression era.

According to an informational flier, the cabin was engineered by G.W. Scot who lived in Hubbard Lake and it took a long time to construct. As with most public works projects at the time, fun was poked at everyone over the length of time it took to complete the building. The men Scot employed were referred to as the 'Woodpeckers Association' and Scot was known as 'log-a-day Scot.'

The majority of the timber used was from the area. Lynn Procnier said at one time there was a full basement but it filled with water, so it had to be partially filled with sand. Now only a crawl space remains.

In 1982, under Becky Counsellor's direction, and with the support of the Michigan State University Extension, a craft cooperative was formed by local artists and craft people. It was renamed The Craftmakers' Cabin.

Both members and consignors have contributed their talents and wares to make the cabin a unique place to shop, as well as a place to dispense information about Alcona County. In 2004 the cabin became an Alcona County Designated Historical Site.

Sandi Quin has been working with The Craftmakers' Cabin since 1993 and re-



The cabin, located on the corner of US-23 and M-72 in Harrisville, was built in 1937 as a result of a public works program. A craft cooperative was formed in 1982, and the Craftmakers' Cabin was developed. Photo by Mary Weber.

membered years ago when it was open in the winter. Now the cabin is open Memorial Day through Labor Day, six days a week (closed Monday) and open on weekends in the fall and spring. "When we used to open in the winter, Santa and Mrs. Santa would ride up to the cabin in a wagon drawn by Clydesdales and we would give out cookies," Quin said, "A lot of happy memories were made here."

The cabin is a large draw for visitors. Quin explained that it doesn't feel like just another gift shop. "Even men like coming in to look at the unique architecture of the building, especially the stairway. The men always like to walk up the stairway and have suggested the crafters put in a men's department," she said.

"Everything in the gift shop

is handmade locally and we don't copy someone else's idea unless we ask the other person if it is okay. If they agree, we have to sell it at about the same cost of their item. It's a nice group of people here. Membership consignors work nine days a season," she said.

Ruby Dotson has worked at the cabin for about 14 years. "I live alone so getting out and communicating with the visitors at the cabin is wonderful. I've met people from Russia, Germany, Canada and Cuba.

"The Harrisville Art Fair on Labor Day weekend and the Fourth of July art fair are our biggest draws. Women come in looking for bargains and we do have really good prices for our handmade goods," Dotson said.

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# Alcona graduate climbs in Bernese Alps

On July 3 and 4, former Alcona County resident Ross Arseneau Jr. journeyed high into the Bernese Alps in Switzerland for a climbing adventure.

Arseneau, 49, of West Bloomfield, Mich. is the son of Ross and Erica Arseneau of Harrisville. He is a 1980 graduate of Alcona High School.

He met his Swiss guide, Freddy Grossniklaus, at 9 a.m. on July 3 in the Jungfrau train station.

In the following excerpt Arseneau shares his adventure.

*The night of July 3 was spent in the Mönchsloch-hütte at just under 12,000 feet. The morning of July 4 began with 2 a.m. breakfast and a 3:30 a.m. departure for the Jungfrau, which is a tributary of the Aletsch Glacier.*

*The hike descended to an altitude of 10,900 feet when the slopes of the Jungfrau were first reached after 4:30 a.m. The climbing over the next two hours consisted of steep mixed snow and rock to the Rottalsattel (Rottal Saddle) at 12,750 feet.*

*We stopped to enjoy the rising sun on a clear summer*

deaths after summiting the Eiger via the Mittellegi Ridge. The accident occurred less than 50 meters from the summit and it appeared that the two men lost their footing and fell almost 3,000 feet down the west face.

After hearing the report, Arseneau recalled a comment that his guide made during the trip, "there are no great guides - there are only good guides that live to be 'old' guides."

His guide, has climbed in the Swiss Alps for more than 35 years and has been a Swiss Certified Mountain Guide for



The trio of the Eiger, Monch, and Jungfrau of the Bernese Alps in Switzerland. Courtesy photos by Ross Arseneau Jr.

*At 11,333 feet, the Jungfraujoch is the highest altitude railway station in Europe. This underground station and track was completed in 1912 and it travels up through the Eiger.*

*We geared up and headed out onto the upper reaches of the Aletsch Glacier toward the southeast ridge of the Mönch, which was hidden in the clouds. The alpine climb began on easy rock and as the rock steepened it improved in quality.*

*About halfway up the southeast ridge the route switched from rock to snow, with occasional rock out-croppings. After approximately two hours we arrived at the east end of a long traverse along the airy summit ridge. The summit of the Mönch, at 13,474 feet, was still covered with clouds as we arrived on the summit at noon.*

*During the next half hour the clouds did clear a bit for some picture opportunities.*

*morning and were soon joined by two other alpine climbers, Eric and Hans. From here, the climb to the summit included a steep snow and ice slope which led to the exposed rock of the summit ridge and, finally, the lofty summit of the Jungfrau just after 7:30 a.m. The summit of the Jungfrau has an altitude of 13,642 feet.*

On July 5, Arseneau intended to climb the third and most famous of the Bernese Alps trio, the Eiger. However, weather conditions during the previous week included frequent and heavy snowfall on the upper reaches of the Eiger, which has a preference of being climbed snow free along the Mittellegi Ridge. As a result, Arseneau's guide advised against the attempt on the Eiger. Arseneau heeded the warning.

One day after he aborted the climb, Arseneau heard the news that on July 5, two Spanish climbers fell to their

20 years.

During his stay in Switzerland, Arseneau also played the role of guide for his wife and four friends from the Sohn family of Farmington Hills, Mich. The group climbed a via ferrata -- or iron road -- from Murren to Gimmelwald. The adventure lasted nearly six hours for the group and included traversing a cliff face 2,000 feet above the valley floor on metal rebar steps and ladders, walking a 150 foot metal tight-rope suspended over 1,000 feet over a river at the base of a waterfall (there were two additional wires for safety lines and handholds), and crossing a 250 foot swinging bridge.

Ross Arseneau and Masha Sohn also completed the via ferrata to the summit of the Rotstock, which is a summit in the shadow of the north face of the Eiger.



Ross Arseneau Jr. on the summit of Jungfrau.



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**The Alcona Volleyball Program would like to give a special thanks to all of our volunteers and sponsors:**

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More than 160 people participate in first "Run with the Rise of the Sun" 5K run/walk hosted by the Alcona High School volleyball program on August 18. Top three male finishers were: Alex Fauer, 16:28; Zachary Thomas, 16:41; and Nicholas Brooks, 16:52. Top female finishers were: Christina Micale, 19:18; Lauren Burnett, 19:52; and Emily Gibbings, 20:08. The group plans to make the 5K run/walk an annual event. Proceeds will be used to support the program. *Courtesy photo.*



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# Conservation efforts lead to revival of rare Kirtland's warbler

Listening to birds singing in the forest just after dawn on a late spring day in northern Michigan. It might sound like a relaxing morning stroll, but for some members of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Wildlife Division staff, it's part of an important effort to conserve a rare and endangered bird species.

As part of a recovery plan aimed at increasing the Kirtland's warbler population, the Wildlife Division coordinates a monitoring program that includes counting singing males during a two-week period in June. Keeping tabs on the breeding population helps the Kirtland's Warbler Recovery Team - a cooperative venture of the DNR, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish & Wildlife

Service, Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, and various other private citizens and organizations - evaluate how the species is responding to management practices and environmental changes.

What's so special about this little songbird?

"The Kirtland's warbler is one of 13 federally endangered species that occur in Michigan and one of two endangered bird species," said Keith Kintigh, the DNR's northern Lower Peninsula wildlife supervisor. "With a population of about 4,000, it is among the rarest birds in North America, sharing this list with such species as the California condor and the whooping crane."

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A singing male Kirtland's warbler. Biologists ensure that a certain amount of dead trees remain standing from previous fires, because the snags are an important part of the bird's habitat matrix. Photos courtesy of Michigan DNR.



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The birds nest in just a few counties in Michigan's northern Lower and Upper peninsulas, a few sites in Wisconsin and Ontario, and nowhere else on Earth.

"Nearly 30 percent of the population is in one township, and over 75 percent of the population is in portions of only three counties," Kintigh said.

The unique bird brings in tourism and helps boost local economies, with bird-watchers from around the world flocking to northern Michigan in the spring and summer for Kirtland's warbler viewing tours.

Michigan's first known Kirtland's warbler nest was spotted in Oscoda County in 1903 and, until 1996, all

nests were found within 60 miles of this site. Since then, a small number of nests have been found each year in the Upper Peninsula, and nesting also has occurred in Wisconsin and the province of Ontario.

One of more than 200 neotropical migratory species that nest in North America and winter in the tropics, Kirtland's warblers spend eight months of the year in the Bahamas. Male Kirtland's warblers arrive back in Michigan between May 3 and May 20, a few days ahead of the females. The males establish and defend territories and then court the females when they arrive. Males defend their territories with loud and persistent singing.

First conducted in 1951 and carried out annually since 1971, the Kirtland's warbler census is a count of singing males.

"We go through areas of habitat that the warblers typically occupy and listen for their songs so we can locate, count and map territorial males," said Bruce Barlow, a DNR wildlife biologist who has done Kirtland's warbler surveys for the past eight years in Clare, Ogemaw and Crawford counties. "They usually sing at least once during any five-minute period between sunrise and 11 a.m. in good weather."

Preliminary analysis of the 2012 census data shows that Kirtland's warbler populations are increasing. Another

key aspect of the Kirtland's Warbler Recovery Plan is the development and maintenance of suitable nesting habitat on a sustained basis.

The birds nest only in young jack pine forests with a special type of sandy soil known as Graylingsand. They prefer jack pine stands over 200 acres in size with numerous small openings. They nest on the ground under the living branches of the small trees that are five to 20 years old. When the trees reach about 20 years old, Kirtland's warbler leave the area to other bird species such as Nashville warbler and hermit thrush.

"Biologists refer to the Kirtland's warbler as a 'habitat specialist,' meaning the

species has very narrow preferences for habitat," Kintigh said. "It nests only in the type of jack pine-dominated forest that was historically only created by wildfire."

The young jack pine (that the Kirtland's warbler depends on) grow after fire removes older trees and rejuvenates the forest. Heat from fire opens jack pine cones to release seeds and prepares the ground for the germination of the seeds. In the past, naturally occurring wildfires that swept through the region helped maintain the jack pine barrens, but the advent of modern fire protection and suppression efforts led to a drastic decline of available

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**By Ted Kooser**

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There are people who believe that the afterlife exists in how we are remembered by the living, that we are rewarded or punished in the memories of people who knew us. Writing is a means of keeping memories fresh and vivid, and in this poem Judson Mitcham, a Georgia poet, gives his father a nudge toward immortality.

**Writing**

*But prayer was not enough, after all, for my father. His last two brothers died five weeks apart. He couldn't get to sleep, had no appetite, sat staring. Though he prayed, he could find no peace until he tried to write about his brothers, tell a story for each one: Perry's long travail with the steamfitters' union, which he worked for; and Harvey—here the handwriting changes, he bears down—Harvey loved his children.*

*I discovered those few sheets of paper as I looked through my father's old Bible on the morning of his funeral. The others in the family had seen them long ago; they had all known the story, and they told me I had not, most probably, because I am a writer, and my father was embarrassed by his effort. Yet who has seen him as I can: risen in the middle of the night, bending over the paper, working close to the heart of all greatness, he is so lost.*

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## Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of August 20-26, 2012

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Littering	1	Mental	1
Abandoned Vehicle	1	Miscellaneous	3
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Kirtland's warbler nesting habitat, and the bird's population plummeted.

To protect the species from extinction and increase its population, special areas were set aside and designated to provide appropriate habitat for the Kirtland's warbler.

The DNR and its partners manage jack pine habitat by logging, burning, seeding and replanting on a rotational basis to provide approximately 38,000 acres of productive nesting habitat at all times. Several million seedlings are planted each year.

“By managing jack pine stands on a 50-year harvest rotation – which means trees aren't cut down until they're mature and large enough to be economically valuable – we can maintain nesting habitat for the warblers while supporting the commercial harvest of jack pine,” Kintigh said.

These management efforts also provide key habitats for other animals, including other rare species like upland sandpipers and prairie warblers, as well as game species like white-tailed deer, black bear, ruffed grouse and snowshoe hare. Several protected prairie plants, such as

the Allegheny plum, Hill's thistle and rough fescue, also make their home in the same jack pine forests as Kirtland's warblers. All of these species – and the hunting and wildlife-watching recreation opportunities they offer – benefit from the ongoing work to provide young jack pine habitat.

Counts from the annual Kirtland's warbler census have shown a significant increase in the species' population over the last 40 years – from approximately 200 singing males in 1972 to 1,800 last year.

“The recovery of the Kirtland's warbler is a real

success story for endangered species management,” said Kintigh. “This conservation effort has benefited Michigan's economy, including jobs associated with tourism and timber products, and helped conserve our biological legacy.”

Learn more about helping the Kirtland's warbler and Michigan's other threatened, endangered and nongame species at [www.michigan.gov/nongamewildlife](http://www.michigan.gov/nongamewildlife). For more information about Kirtland's warblers, visit [www.michigan.gov/wildlife](http://www.michigan.gov/wildlife), click on “Featured Species” and scroll down to the species list.



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# NASCAR REPORT

## Future still bright for Matt Kenseth

NASCAR This Week  
By Monte Dutton

Matt Kenseth's Roush Fenway Racing teammate, Greg Biffle, won the Pure Michigan 400. Everything went right for Biffle. Kenseth finished 17th, the same number as his Ford Fusion. The same could not be said for him.

"We just didn't really pit for fuel at the right time," Kenseth said, "but Greg (Biffle) was on the same strategy and won the race. We kept getting stuck in the wrong lane on restarts, had some subpar pit stops and had a flat tire, and just couldn't recover from that."

Kenseth, who won the last Cup (it was Winston then) before the implementation of the Chase format, has a shot this year. He ranks second to Biffle in the point standings

and began the season by winning his second Daytona 500.

This also is the final season at Roush Fenway Racing for Kenseth, who debuted in Cup on Sept. 20, 1998, in Dover, Del., finishing sixth in his very first race while substituting for Bill Elliott. He joined the circuit full-time two years later and won for the first time in the Coca-Cola 600 at Charlotte Motor Speedway on May 28, 2000.

Kenseth's future plans are yet to be announced, but most observers would be flabbergasted if Kenseth didn't wind up driving a Toyota next year for Joe Gibbs Racing.

Kenseth, who is a native of Cambridge, Wis., turned 40 earlier this year. He has won 22 times at the Cup level. He is tied for 29th place all-time with Terry Labonte, one shy of Ricky Rudd and two be-

hind both Busch brothers, Kurt and Kyle.

Biffle's victory was the first for a Ford driver since his win at Texas Motor Speedway on April 14.

"There are a ton of reasons why guys don't win races," Kenseth said. "There's a lot of competition and great teams out there. I've tried as hard as I could to win every race I've entered in my entire life. It isn't easy."

"We have to get our cars running a little faster, and I have to do a better job finishing some of them off."

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Matt Keneth, who is leaving Roush Racing at the end of the season, would love to get his car running faster and finishing stronger for the Chase. (John Clark/NASCAR This Week photo)

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## Partners boost DNR's wildlife efforts statewide

A decade ago, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Wildlife Division had about 100 more full-time employees than it does today, but the workload hasn't diminished – if anything, it has increased.

The question is obvious. How, exactly, does everything get done?

Increasingly, the Wildlife Division has asked other organizations to partner on wildlife management projects. And, increasingly, those organizations are generously answering the call.

Here's an example. For the last two years, the DNR's Wildlife Division and the Michigan Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) have been raising crabapple trees to transplant across northern Michigan.

"Deep snow is tough on turkeys in Michigan, limiting access to food," said Al Stewart, the upland game bird specialist with the Wildlife Division. "Over the years we've been involved with planting food plots with the NWTf – planting things like corn – particularly in areas of northern Michigan."

The groups decided to expand their effort into fruit-bearing shrubs. The federation purchased roots stock of native Michigan crabapple varieties, potting soil and pots. Members of the group, along with DNR volunteers, got together for potting bees at Rose Lake State Wildlife Area. The potted trees were moved to a fenced area (to keep deer from eating the young trees) where Wildlife Division staffers water them as they mature.

"It's a hands-on project starting with seedlings, allowing them to grow and mature, and then planting them in northern Michigan where there are concentrations of turkeys and additional food sources are important," Stewart said.

The program has been a hit, attracting numerous vol-

unteers – including Natural Resources Commission (NRC) Chairman Tim Nichols – to help with the chores.

A similar cooperative effort has been operating in the Upper Peninsula since 2009, where members of the turkey federation have been planting fruit-bearing trees in areas that are used by turkeys over the winter.

"Habitat improvement has always been part of the turkey federation's mission," explained Ken Buchholtz, a turkey federation member who has been presented with a Partners in Conservation Award by the NRC for his efforts. "Everybody always needs a little bit of help to do things. And all of these habitat projects benefit everything from the small birds to the black bears."

Buchholtz, who said the federation is splitting program costs with the DNR, has coordinated with Upper Peninsula timber companies to secure their help in preparing the land and transporting the trees.

"We've had a partnership going with the DNR for a long time," he said. "It's a real good partnership."

Because the DNR's Stewart deals with all upland game birds, he has, for years, helped to build partnerships with numerous conservation groups. He's worked with the Michigan Chapter of the Ruffed Grouse Society (RGS) on habitat improvement projects almost forever.

The RGS recently purchased a machine to help create early successional forest habitat as part of the federal Upper Great Lakes Young Forest and Woodcock Initiative. The machine is available for rent by landowners interested in setting back succession but, as part of its partnership with the DNR, RGS offers the machine for work on state-managed land at reduced rates.

The biggest partnership Stewart is involved with now is the Michigan Pheasant Restoration Initiative, which involves a number of government agencies as well as conservation groups (Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever and NWTf, among them) in a 10-year effort to re-establish appropriate pheasant habitat across southern Michigan. The initiative is focused on three core areas in southern Michigan – Verona State Game Area (Huron County), Lake Hudson Recreation Area (Lenawee County) and Maple River State Game area (Clinton, Gratiot and Ionia counties) – where fair to good pheasant habitat already exists on public land.

Waterfowl and wetlands specialist Barb Avers said her program is perfect for partnering on habitat projects with groups such as Ducks Unlimited and Waterfowl USA.

"In the big picture, the waterfowl and wetlands program has long used partnerships and it's been very effective," Avers said. "The key thing we do with DU now is work on getting grant money for wetland habitat projects.

One of the big challenges the department faces is the lack of funds to maintain and restore wetlands. DU helps write grants, administers the grants for us, and then they advertise for bids, use their engineers and biologists to design the project, contract it out, oversee construction and deliver the project.

"Just recently they've helped with pump replacement at Nayanquing Point, Fish Point and we just got a grant for Crow Island," she said. "They're also helping us restore wetlands at a number of areas. We owe our success of getting competitive grant funds and habitat on the ground to partnerships."

Avers said the DNR also partners with smaller, local groups that focus on individual waterfowl management areas.

"St. Clair Flats Waterfowlers buys equipment for Harsens Island and ponies up a lot of money for habitat management," she said. "Shiawassee Flats Citizens and Hunters Association put money up for crop planting, wetland projects and they do a ton of volunteer labor – cutting brush and trees and maintaining the pull-over sites on the dikes. They put in a ton of hours."

Joe Robison, a DNR wildlife biologist who works out of Pte. Mouillee State Game Area (in Monroe and Wayne counties), agreed.

"We use volunteers to band ducks and geese, to do shore-bird counts, to watch the osprey nests for chicks and then band them, and to do annual cleanup," he said. "We use volunteers to help out at the Pte. Mouillee Waterfowl Festival, and all the money we make in that two-day event goes right back into the game area – a lot of people don't know that."

"We wouldn't get as much done without our volunteer groups," he said. "They definitely help us out."

Sometimes partnerships develop when sportsmen see a budget cut they don't like. In 2008, when the DNR discontinued its successful bear patch program – which gave a patch to hunters when they registered a bear – the Michigan Bear Hunters Association stepped up and took over the program, said DNR bear and furbearer specialist Adam Bump. Anyone can now get a commemorative bear patch by sending \$5 to the Bear Hunters Association.

"Anything above costs goes to the department for bear education and management programs," Bump said. "It brings in \$3,000 to \$6,000 a year."

The DNR's Wildlife Division has partnerships with too many groups to mention them all here – and department staff is grateful for every one. Learn more about Michigan wildlife health, habitat and research at [www.michigan.gov/wildlife](http://www.michigan.gov/wildlife). To find out more about volunteer opportunities throughout the DNR, visit [www.michigan.gov/dnrvolunteers](http://www.michigan.gov/dnrvolunteers).

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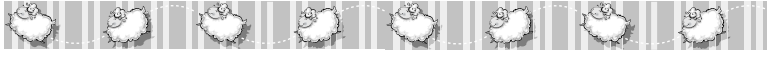
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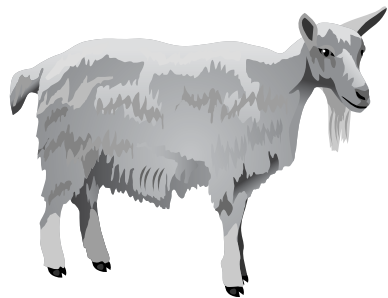


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