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ounty Dive Team ready to serve community cona

By Cheryl Peterson Editor

In a time when many services are being reduced due to lack of funding, Alcona County has gained a service thanks to the dedication and resourcefulness of organizers and members of the Alcona County Dive Team.

Even though most residents will probably not need this service first hand, it is a component that strengthens law enforcement and fire and

rescue services in the county.

And, according to Ralph Klotz, Alcona Township Fire Chief and organizer of the dive team, is a logical service for the community. "We are surrounded by water — why not have a dive team?" Klotz said.

He has been working toward establishing a dive team since 2008 and is pleased to have seen that realized this summer when the team was asked to recover evidence for

the Alcona County Sheriff's Department.

Klotz said it was after two fishermen died in a storm on Lake Huron several years ago that he started pushing for having a local dive team. "Back then the closest team was the Oscoda Township Fire Department or the state police...I met with Sheriff Doug Atchison after he was elected and he gave his support," Klotz said.

In a letter of support dated October 2008 Atchison



Alcona County Dive Team members (front row, from right) Cathy Dettling, captain of Alcona Township Fire Department; dive team leader Dennis Scott, lieutenant of Alcona Township FD; dive instructor Chris Wright, Alcona County Sheriff deputy; Ralph Klotz, organizer and Alcona Township FD chief; (back row) Chad Kamischke, Alcona Township FD deputy chief; Tom Keerl, Barton City FD; and Greg Alexander, Alcona Sheriff's Department corrections officer and marine officer. Not pictured: Paul Kramer, Alcona Township fire fighter; and Vince Cammack, Alcona Township fire fighter. Photo by Cheryl Peterson.

New director for Alpena/Alcona/Montmorency DHS offices

By Cheryl Peterson Editor

Increasing the presence of the Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS) in Alcona County is one of the goals of the newly appointed director of the field offices serving Alpena, Alcona and Montmorency counties.

John Keller has been serving as acting director for the three counties over the past year. He was recently officially appointed as the director and is happy to be working in northeastern Michigan. Keller makes his home in Alpena and recently returned to the area after working in

Isabella and Grand Traverse counties.

He has spent nearly 30 years in social work, in a career that began as a treatment specialist at Boysville of Michigan (Holy Cross Children's Services) in 1982. Keller worked for Holy Cross services for more than a decade, promoting to family career with DHS, serving as a gram manager.

He was raised in Alpena. "I have a connection in northeastern Michigan. This is home," Keller said. "It's nice to be back and I'm looking forward to continuing to work with the partners we have in

the association between the

various Alcona County vol-

unteer fire departments and

myself. In our small rural

setting it is imperative that

all emergency services stand

together on a mutual front to

provide each other assistance

had, for many years, a ma-

rine division and puts in

many hours on top of the

water. Unfortunately, there

have been numerous times that the Alcona County

Sheriff's Office has had a need

for a specialized dive team,

for evidence recovery and

body recovery. The protocol

is to call upon an outside source for this service."

cona Township FD Lt. Den-

nis Scott to get behind Klotz's

efforts to form a dive team.

With 11 years serving on the

fire department and eight as

a licensed emergency medi-

cal technician (EMT) he supported the idea and also

worked toward that goal. He

is the dive team leader/coor-

dinator and personally got involved because, like every-

one on the team, he enjoys

diving and because it would "help the community."

to obtain funding through

various grants from various

sources including several lo-

cal foundations and through

the federal government under the auspices of Home

Land Security department.

The largest was \$22,000 for

He and Klotz have worked

It didn't take much for Al-

"This sheriff's office has

when called upon.

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wrote, "I take great pride in dry suits for team members.

The effort to outfit the team is a combined effort with respective fire departments, grant allocations, and the members. Dive team members have spent hours of training, which is generally paid for by their fire department, and they have used their own money to purchase some of the equipment necessary. Additionally, the county procured an 18-foot Sea Wolf from the U.S. Coast Guard which the team uses.

Alcona County Dive Team members are all volunteers. And, the team is available outside of Alcona County if needed. "We have a mutual aid agreement with Alpena," Scott said.

"It's a lot of work (to be a member). As a rule, if you dive for an hour you are gone for four hours in order to put on all of the equipment and then to put it away properly," Scott said.

Scott explained the team is available to respond to calls and all of the team members are certified for open water (60 foot depth), advanced (100 foot depth) and rescue (lifesaving technics like administering CPR, et cetera). Later this summer, if all goes according to plan, dive team members will be certified in rescue.

"Last summer we had an opportunity to train with the Michigan State Police dive team," Scott said. "They were training up here and we joined them. We spent eight hours in the water... It was really good training to work with those divers. It was a good day.'

"I'm so happy to have this up and off the ground," Klotz said. "I think it's a positive thing (for the community). It has taken time to put together, but nothing happens overnight."

Recruitment of dive team members is ongoing. Scott said a member of the local fire departments or the Alcona County Sheriff Department is encouraged to par-

counselor and eventually program manager. He began his child welfare licensing consultant, a family-to-family coordinator, services supervisor and a second line pro-



John Keller



Winter decided to show up this year and in its first snowy appearance last week frosted the areas forests. Photo by Cheryl Peterson.

ticipate.

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NOTICE

There will be a special meeting of the Alcona County Board of Road Commissioners on Monday, January 23, 2012, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Road Commission office at 301 N. Lake Street, Lincoln, Michigan, for the purpose of establishing employment terms for the Managing Director position.

Thank you to everyone who sent flowers, prayers and donations. Thank you also to the Mikado Goodfellows, Pastors Ed and Dave Morrison and Gillies Funeral Home. Irven Ward Family

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Campbell's Big Bucks Outfitting and my hunting

companions, John Katona, Tom Sharboneau, Mike

McGuire, Arnie Deller, Kenny Hawes, Terry

Franklin, Brock Franklin and Jim Campbell.

Obituary -

Louise Indish

Louise Indish, 84, of Harrisville, died on Wednesday, Jan.11, 2012 at Munson Medical Center.

She was born to Wilson and Laura (McNeil) Teeple on February 12, 1927.

After graduating from Oscoda High School, she earned a three year nursing degree from Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mrs. Indish worked at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Mich., Avon Center in Rochester, Mich. and retired from Alpena General Hospital in 1990.

She enjoyed gardening and spending time with children and grandchildren. She also enjoyed ice cream and other sweets, listening to the radio and television and her companion cat, Simon.

Mrs. Indish is survived by two sons, Randy Indish of St. Clair Shores, Mich. and Rod (Dara) Indish of Mikado; two daughters, Rebecca (Chuck) Welton of Pinconning, Mich. and Ramona (Tom) Lyons of Traverse City, Mich.; 12 grandchildren; six greatgrandchildren; three sisters; Betty (Bob) Freer and Marlene



Conklin, both of Harrisville and Linda (Emmet) Treece of Florida.

She was preceded in death by one son, Rick Indish; one grandson, Timothy Indish; two sisters, Wanda Lovelace and Harriet Schrade; and one brother, Willis Teeple.

The funeral was held January 14 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Ossineke. The Rev. Dennis Neigh and the Rev. Barton Gray officiated. Interment will be in Springport Cemetery in the spring. Memorial donations may be made to local Lions Clubs. Arrangements were handled by Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.



the "Spring Festival," is the longest and most important of the year in Chinese culture, marking the end of winter. Symbolic floral displays are given as gifts – plum blossoms and sunflowers for good luck, kumquats and narcissus for prosperity, and eggplants representing good health.

Source: wikipedia.org



Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

For as long as I can remember, every Fourth of July, my family and I have visited my grandparents, who live in Harrisville.

Looking forward to the activities of the weekend, my family and I have made it a tradition to participate in our favorite event -- the sidewalk chalk art contest.

Sadly, this past year, the chalk art contest was not held because of the new sidewalks that the city put in. It is sad to think that family fun would be forfeited to temporally preserve the appearance of a sidewalk. Who deemed this as vandalism?

In today's economy, those seeking an inexpensive respite would more likely come to participate in a chalk art contest then viewing new sidewalks.

Elizabeth Tennes, 15, Charlotte, Mich.

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this region.

The Harrisville DHS office was closed several years ago due to budget reductions and Keller said he understands the need for more presence for residents in Alcona County. "A lack of an office has led to a number of problems...Transportation is a major issue with clients," he said. "However, we've made some major strides (to overcome the office closure) but, we have a long way to go," Keller said.

He explained the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library has computers available for DHS clients to use to apply for programs online. "All public assistance programs are available online at www.michigan.gov/ mibridges," Keller said. "They can sign up, check benefits and make changes online." Anyone who doesn't have access to online information, may call toll free (866) 994-6726.



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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, **JANUARY 18**

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

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

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

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

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

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

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

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

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

MSU Extension is providing a journey to wellness, a series of free classes once a week with instructor Beth Noffze, from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. at District Health Department No. 2, 311 Lake St., Harrisville. This week's class is "Food Safety". For more information, call Alpena MSU Ext. (989) 354-9879 or Alcona MSU Ext. (989) 724-6478.

Huron Shores Genealogical Society will meet at 5:30 p.m. at A Different Blend coffee house, 513 W. Bay St. (US-23), East Tawas. For more information, call Judy Sheldon (989) 739-5497.

Northeast Michigan Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. at the Family History Center, 411 Long Rap-ids Plaza Rd., Alpena. The program will include ways to navigate the new Family Search website and explain the new procedures at the center. Hands on assistance will be available and everyone is welcome to attend.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

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

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

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

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

Rd., will be having a barbecued ribs and chicken dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. Adults \$7, children age six to 12 \$4, under six free. For more information, call (989) 736-3050.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

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

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

"Dining with the Docs" at 5:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. The topic will be spirituality and medicine by Dr. James Richards. Refreshments served, no charge, must register by calling (989)724-6796.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24 Come inside where it's warm and walk in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. No charge. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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

The Thunder Bay Island Society will meet at 7 p.m. at the Alpena Yacht Club, 250 Prentiss St.

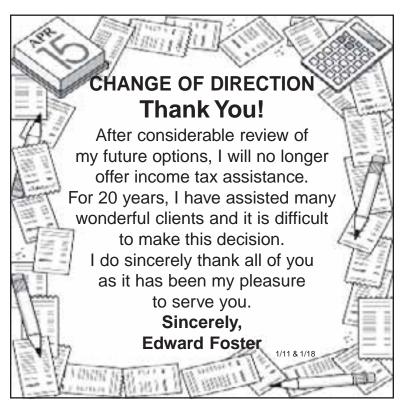
ACCOA board meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

WEDNESDAY, **JANUARY 25**

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

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Local Notes

"Daffodils" on Display

The Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library is proud to present "Daffodils," by the Northeast Michigan Artists' Guild (NEMAG), a fine art exhibit featuring artistic interpretations of the poem "I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud" by William Wordsworth. Each line of this poem, also known



life in watercolor, pastel, collage, acrylic, photography or other media, by a NEMAG artist. The display will begin on Wednesday, Jan. 25 at 1:15 p.m. with a reception, open to the public, honoring these artists, hosted by the Friends of the Library. The art and poem will be on display January 25 through February 29 during regular library hours. For more infor-mation, call (989) 724-6796.

Senior Menu

The following meals will be served at various times during the week at senior centers in Glennie, Greenbush and Lincoln. Anyone planning to attend a meal is asked to reserve a place by calling (989) 736-8879 or (989) 735-5191 by 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

• Monday, Jan. 23-Pepper steak, rice, Brussels sprouts, coleslaw, fruit and a cookie.

• Tuesday, Jan. 24—Baked ham, augratin potatoes, corn, Jell-O with cabbage and pineapple.

• Wednesday, Jan. 25– Baked chicken, stuffing, green beans, pea salad and fruit.

• Thursday, Jan. 26-Meat and cheese pizza, tossed salad, carrot sticks with dip and fruit.

• Friday, Jan. 27-Meatballs in gravy over rice, wax beans, tossed salad and fruit. (Friday meals served in Lin-

coln only.)

New District Coordinator

Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) has named Kelley Hiemstra as the district coordinator for its 11 county offices in northeastern lower Michigan, effective February 13. Hiemstra comes to the position from Louisiana State University, where she has served as a regional 4-H coordinator since 2008. In her new position, she will provide administrative oversight for staff members in a district comprising Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Crawford,

Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon counties.

Her responsibilities will include maintaining relationships with district stakeholders and coordinating and mentoring staff members. She will serve as a liaison within the district with county government, agriculture and agribusiness, industry, health and human service organizations, youth-serving organizations and other potential partners. Hiemstra formerly served as a regional 4-H agent for the University of Florida and as an MSUE 4-H educator in Van Buren and Kalamazoo counties. She replaces William Carpenter, who stepped down from the district coordinator role to serve as an MSUE educator in the district. Hiemstra can be reached after February 13 at (877) 643-9882.

Helping Troops Overseas

The Ossineke branch of Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union was able to collect \$387.17 plus many donations of food, hygiene supplies, magazines, and entertainment items for U.S. troops overseas. Branch staff members also donated \$223 of the money collected to the USO. A total of 36 boxes will be sent overseas from the Ossineke area thanks to a group effort made by the Ossineke community. Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union selects four community or charity organizations to fundraise for during each quarter of the year. Staff members organized many different fundraisers — yel-low ribbons, candy bars and other snacks and special "Santa Bucks" were sold at teller windows. They also donated \$2 on Fridays to dress down in jeans and sneakers.

Watershed Restoration

The past, present and future of conservation in northeast Michigan comes together Continued on page 5

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Lady Tigers improve to 2-0 in conference

By Dan O'Connor

Special to the Review The Alcona girls varsity basketball team turned two tight games midway through the second quarter into solid wins last week at Rogers City and against Oscoda at home.

In Rogers City the athletic Hurons proved to be a tough matchup for Alcona early on. The Lady Tigers trailed 9-4 at the end of the first quarter.

Karina Cole helped jump start the Alcona offense with a 10 point burst in the second quarter and pushed Alcona to a 23-15 lead at the half.

The teams traded baskets in the second half until a late Lady Tiger run finished off the pesky Hurons.

Alcona was led by Cole with 22 points and 11 rebounds; Ashley Smith added eight points and Amy Nowak notched 15 rebounds.

In their second conference game Alcona hosted Oscoda on January 12. Midway through the second quarter the Lady Tigers led by five points until a late 10 to zero run pushed the Alcona lead to 25-10 at the half.

The story of the second

half was the Lady Tigers defense which held Oscoda to two field goals and the Alcona team offensive effort. Nine Lady Tigers scored for the night piling up 15 assists. Alcona was let by Kayla Rasmussen with 10 points and 11 rebounds while Smith added nine points. A. Nowak chipped in seven points and 11 rebounds.

Alcona is 8-0 in the season and 2-0 in the conference. They travel to Tawas January 19 in a battle for first place in the Huron Shores Conference and then to Au Gres on Tuesday, Jan. 24.

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NOTICE

The Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) invite anyone interested in the transportation planning process for Northeast Michigan to attend a Public Participation Summit on Wednesday, January 25, 2012 at 4 p.m., at Brush Creek Mill in Hillman.

The purpose of the summit will be to review MDOT's proposed projects and discuss transportation planning issues within the MDOT North Region. The focus will be on the North Region's eastern eleven counties which include Alpena, Alcona, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Roscommon, and Presque Isle counties. Interested persons are invited to attend to provide public comment. If you require any special assistance please contact Nico Tucker, Transportation Planner, at NEMCOG, P.O. Box 457, Gaylord, MI 49734 or by phone at (989) 705-3732.

Finding a safe and caring complete

Tigers' winning streak comes to an end

By Ron Yokom Basketball Writer

The Alcona boys varsity basketball team's five game winning streak came to an abrupt end Wednesday, Jan. 11. Bay City John Glenn roared into town on a five game winning streak of its own, but that was accomplished in one of the hot beds of Michigan basketball -- the Saginaw Valley.

With poise, deadly shooting, and a smothering manto-man defense they slowly took apart the Tigers and won 64-44.

Alcona competed very well in the first half, actually leading 15-13 after one quarter. Even scoring was the secret as six different players scored at least a basket. The game was tied three times and the Bobcats led only once 13-12 before William Bates came off the bench to hit a threepointer to close out the first quarter.

The second quarter was more of the same as the game was tied four times. After Jared Steiner hit a threepointer to tie the game at 22,

John Glenn outscored Alcona six to three and led 28-25 at half time. At this point the Tigers had competed with John Glenn and it looked like we had a battle that would be decided in the final minute of the game.

There must have been a wake-up call in the visitor's locker room at halftime because the Bobcats came out more aggressive on defense, began shooting the lights out and led 48-35 heading into the final period. To this point the Bobcats had hit nine three-pointers for the game.

The fourth quarter was more of the same as John Glenn outscored Alcona 16-9 to put the game away.

The Bobcats must have scouted the Tigers because they shut down the Tiger's leading scorer, Bryan Layton, holding him to a season low of four points. Brock La-Vergne led Alcona with 13 points and 11 rebounds. No one else had more than three rebounds. Steiner added 12 points, Bates and Andrew Chamberlain added five points each, Brandon Gibson

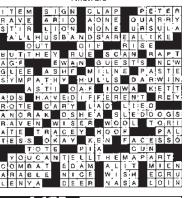
had three and Andy Cammack scored two.

One bright spot was Bates who played well off the bench. It could earn him more playing time in the future.

The Friday game with Oscoda was cancelled because of bad weather and will be made up February 15.

The junior varsity team saw its undefeated season disappear as the junior Tigers were soundly defeated 74-47. Trenton LaVergne again led with 16 points.

Super Crossword Answers







-Local Notes

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at the Huron Pines annual meeting on Saturday, Feb. 4, at Treetops Resort in Gaylord, Mich. from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (doors open at 9 a.m.). According to past attendees this event is the best for networking with conservation partners and learning about the many on-the-ground conservation activities in northern Michigan, the meeting is a place to learn and share ideas about ways to sustain, enhance and restore natural resources. Attendees will have time to network and hear Great Lakes leaders speak about some of the challenges and opportunities unique to the region. At a time when many nonprofits face tough fundraising challenges and volunteerism is becoming more important than ever, the meeting's keynote speaker, Carolyn Bloodworth, will provide insight into philanthropy and the power of volunteers. She is the current volunteer chairperson of the Michigan Community Service Commission, the agency that administers such programs as Michigan's AmeriCorps. She runs the

day-to-day management of the Consumers Energy Foundation and the CMS Energy Foundation, and is director of Corporate Giving for CMS Energy and Consumers Energy. Paul Thomas, regional coordinator for the Environmental Protection Agency, will also bring a perspective on the impact of watershedwide restoration efforts. Thomas works out of the Chicago EPA office and provides oversight for 10 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grants, including one with Huron Pines for the Rifle River Watershed Project Huron Pines board and staff will also provide an overview of conservation activities covering 10 major watersheds and 4.2 million acres, discuss upcoming events and volunteer opportunities and demonstrate the popular River Model. Huron Pines plays a vital role in convening partners, bringing together technical and financial resources, identifying problems and prioritizing projects to meet local needs. This annual meeting brings nearly 150 partners together every year to take a look at regional conservation efforts.

Fresh Fruit

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How to find senior airfare discounts

Dear Savvy Senior,

Do airlines still provide discounts to seniors on their airfares? My husband and I are retired and like to travel and are wondering which airlines offer the best discounts to budget conscious seniors. **Frugal Travelers**

Dear Travelers,

While senior airfare discounts are not nearly as common as they used to be, there are a handful of carriers that still offer them. Here's a rundown of the different airlines that are currently offering senior airfares, along with some tips to help you find the best deals.

The only U.S. airlines that are currently offering senior airfare discounts are:

· Southwest which has discounts on all domestic routes to passengers 65 and older. For details on fares call (800) 435-9792 or you can search online at southwest.com.

• American which offers some senior fares to travelers 65 and older on their American, American Eagle and American Connection domestic flights. Call (800) 433-7300 to find out which flights offer these discounts. You cannot search specifically for senior airfares on American's aa.com website.

· United has some discounts on select flights to those 65-plus but they are few and far between. To search for them, visit united.com and select "child or senior" from the dropdown

menu. When the site returns your fare quote, the results for your search will indicate the type of discount you are receiving, if one is available. You can also call (800) 241-6522 to find out if a senior discount is available for a particular flight.

• Continental which is merging with United in a few months has senior discount fares as well on very few flights to passengers 65 and older. To search, visit continental.com and click on "Advance Search" to access the "seniors" category, or call (800) 523-3273.

• Delta has senior discounts that vary by age and apply only to flights from three Latin American nations -Panama, Honduras and Ecuador. Call (800) 241-4141 to inquire.

When shopping for cheap plane tickets, it's important to know that many of the airlines regular discount fares or online specials are usually cheaper than the senior discount fares. So, to ensure you get the best price available, you need to compare prices and options from all carriers.

To help you do this, your best resources are online travel sites like orbitz.com, travelocity.com and kayak.com. These sites will let you search for the lowest priced flights on all the different airlines at the same time. They will not, however, let you search for senior fares.

Once you find a flight with



the lowest fare that fits your schedule, look up similar flights on the different airlines that offer senior fares (Southwest, American, United, Continental and Delta) and compare. You can do this either online at their respective website (with exception of American and Delta), or by calling their reservation department number. This will ensure you're getting the best deal.

Another tip that can help you save is to be flexible when you travel. Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday are typically the three cheapest days of the week to fly, while Friday and Sunday are the most expensive. And the cheapest time to fly is typically the first flight out in the morning.

The day of the week you purchase your tickets can also affect the price. Airlines usually post their lowest domestic fares on Tuesday at 3 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. Sales typically last three days so you stand a decent chance of getting bargains on Wednesday and Thursday too.

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

Winter no excuse not to exercise

Senior News Line **By Matilda Charles**

Are you tired of winter? You're not alone. Too many of us have cocooned as temperatures have dropped, often not leaving the house for days or more.

We need to get moving, one way or the other, and here are some ways we can:

Look for exercise programs on TV, especially if you have cable. "Sit and Be Fit" is a show with exercises for seniors and others with physical limitations. All the exercises are done while seated. Check the website (www.sitandbefit.-org) to learn where the show airs on public television. If you have On Demand, look at the Exercise TV section for other workout shows. Look for the walking in place programs or those geared to seniors.

Check into Tai Chi or QiGong classes geared to seniors. These are gentle, flowing movements that can be done even sitting in a chair if balance is an issue. (They'll help with strengthening core muscles, which actually can help with balance problems.)

If transportation is a concern (or if you don't like driving in winter) ask if the

senior center has a van that can pick you up for classes. Parks and recreation also is a potential source of rides, as is social services. You're more likely to go to your class if someone is coming to pick you up!

If you're in an area with snow and ice (but are otherwise sturdy on your feet), look for indoor places to walk. Schools sometimes open their halls after hours and indoor malls open early in the morning.

If you're determined to walk for exercise, look into grips that attach to shoes. Search the Internet for "Stabilicers" and ask if your local shoe store can order something similar.

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

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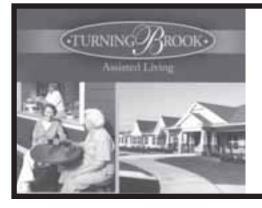
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Violets	56.5	15.5
Marigolds	52	20
Rosebuds	40	32
Daffodils	37	35
Tigerlilys	34	38
Bluebells	29.5	42.5
Buttercups	26	46
Mums	13	59
High game a	and serie	es: Gina
Broadwood, 1	192 and 5	520.
High team gar	ne and se	ries: Daf-
fodils, 490 an	d 1.326.	

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Jani	uary 10)
Mancino's	20	62.5
Gary Oil	10	56
Carpet One	25	56
B & D Sales	19	51
Rob's Repair	11	49
Big Joe's	15	35
Hart Tire	15	29.5
Back Alley	5	21
High game: Jo	ohn Wils	son, 278.
High series: I	Harley	Robinson

719. High handicap game and series: John Wilson, 304 and 783.

Wednesday Nite Women's

Janu	ary 11	
Back Alley	65	25
JB's Auto	50.5	39.5
Alcona Abstrac	:t 49	41
Cole's Appl.	49	41
Ark Plumbing	48	42
Other Team	40	50
Stoney Acres	37.5	52.5
Alcona Tool	21	69
High game: Su	e Weic	hel, 224.
High series: k	Kathy (Goddard
542.		
High handica	ap gar	ne: Kay
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Groulx, 271. High handicap series: Kathy

Goddard, 662.

Sportsman

Janua	ary 12	
Baymoor	25	44.5
Balls on Ya	25	35.5
Top O Mich.	20	34.5
Phil's Barber	17	32.5
Ghost Busters	10	30
Morgan Elec.	5	25
Cole's Appl.	13	23
L.L.W. Club	5	15
High game: Ron	Wambo	ld, 245.
High series: Ro	oger Klu	kowski,
654.		
High handica	o game	: Jack
Kostka, 271.		
High handicap	series:	Kevin
Rice, 684.		

Minors January 14 Pin busters 32.5 12.5 Princesses 32 13 Crushers 26 19 Deers 25.5 19.5 Team 3 21.5 23.5 Breakers 19.5 25.5 Dew Drops 14 31 Vacant 9 36 Boy's high game and series: Kyle Haeger, 131 and 229. Boy's high handicap game: Matthew Arneson, 225. Boy's high handicap series: Alex Harmon, 440. Girl's high game and series: Emma Baird, 101 and 199. Girl's high handicap game and series: Hannah Tanner, 246 and

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461.

Janua	ary 14	
Hunters	174	96
Than You	156	114
Trappers	151.5	118.5
Umph	138.5	131.5
Kingpins	106.5	163.5
Swags	83.5	186.5
Boy's high gar	ne and	series:
Leigh Gibson, 1	83 and 4	493.
Boy's high handi	cap gam	e: Josh
Lickey, 245.		
Boy's high ha	ndicap	series:
Keegan Kruttlin,	645.	
Girl's high gan	ne and	series:
Megan Griffith,	195 and	542.
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series: Megan C	Griffith, 2	25 and
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1 st Half Winners	26	1
Young & Rest.	18	9
Cripples	16.5	10.5
For the Bowling	16	11
Travis & Covey	11	16
Amigos	10.5	16.5
Together	9	18
Bye	0	0
Men's high game	e: Bill Mill	er, 230.
Men's high serie	es: Ray	Covey,
605.		
Men's high hand	dicap ga	me: Bill
Miller, 272.		
Men's high hand	icap seri	es: Ray
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Covey, 647. Women's high game and series: Carla James, 279 and 633. Women's high handicap game and series: Carla James 315 and 741.

Bucks and Does

Jani	uary 7	
Four Beers	148	92
No Fear	139.5	100.5
Facowie	139	101
Spare Time	132	108
B & D Sales	130	110
Boozers	111.5	128.5
Dragon Balls	109	131
Bye	59	181
Men's high ga	ame and	series:
Brent Eller, 278	8 and 73	2.
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series: Brent El	ller, 290 a	and 768.
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HARRISVILLE-North State St. This charming 3 possibly 4 bedroom, 21/2 bath home was remodeled in 2010. New windows, door walls, carpet, kitchen, master bath, 1/2 bath, furnace. Large lot (106x299), 2 car attached garage. Walk to town! \$69,700 #326

OSCODA-Lakewood Dr. Beautiful, spacious custom 4 bedroom, 21/2 bath home in Lakewood Shores. Vaulted ceilings, gas log fireplace, oak cabinets, family room/study, bonus room up, deck, 2 car attached garage. \$153,500 #337

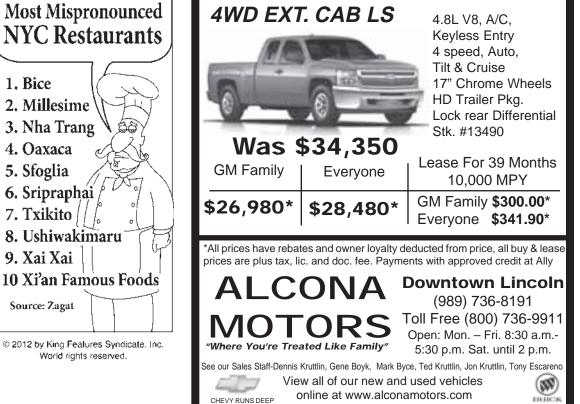
BARTON CITY-Ester Dr. Three bedroom, 1 bath, fireplace, 1 car attached garage, 200x123 lot. Needs a little TLC. \$28,500 REDUCED #334

Ester Dr. Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, oversized 1 car attached garage with workshop, deck, family room. Needs some interior updates. **\$34,900** #340

GREENBUSH-US-23 south. Three bedroom, 1 bath, wood burner, deck, 1 car attached garage, 69x404 lot. Needs some plumbing work. Many possibilities. \$36,000 #339

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United Way of Northeast Michigan (UWNM) Funding Applications Available

The United Way of Northeast Michigan is currently accepting letters of intent for funding in 2012. Eligibility guidelines are as follows:

- Agencies/organizations must be non-profit and have a 501(c)(3) status from the IRS
- Agencies/organizations must provide human service programs/projects
- Agencies/organizations service area(s) must be Alpena, and/or Alcona, and/or Montmorency counties
- Agencies/organizations must incorporated under the laws of the State of Michigan, or other jurisdictions meeting Michigan standards, as a non-profit entity for a period of no less than two (2) years



 Consideration will be made for funding programs of schools and governmental organizations, as long as they are specific and discreet programs/projects and not covered by tax funds

- New or existing programs can receive funding as long as they meet UWNM criteria
- Programs/projects meet one of the four (4) funding areas:
 - 1. Basic Human Needs-addressing basic, temporary and urgent needs including food, shelter, utility services
 - 2. Family Services-assisting individuals and families to become self-sufficient
 - 3. Health Services-promoting health & healing through prevention skills to maintain a healthy lifestyle
 - 4. Youth Services-preparing children and youth to become responsible adults who are emotionally, cognitively and physically prepared to succeed in school, work and their community

The UWNM does not fund the following:

- Political campaigns
- Sectarian programs (we will fund program(s) of a religious organization as long as the program does not include religious content and is open to all)
- Loan payments or deficit spending
- · Services normally supported by tax dollars
- Capital campaigns for buildings

Letters of intent applications can be requested by contacting United Way of Northeast Michigan at 989-354-2221 or via email at uwnemi@unitedwaynemi.org with the subject Letter of Intent Letters of Intent are due by 4 p.m., Monday, February 6, 2012

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Students make clay bowls for community fundraising event

Richardson Elementary Middle School teacher Jamie Merdzinski's art classes are working together on a unique community service project.

The local Lions Club helped provide clay to the classes and is working in the classroom to help students make bowls which will be used and sold at the upcoming, "Souper Bowl Supper" and Art Show on Friday, Feb. 10.

"This project is meant to

Street, Harrisville

The Oscoda Lions Club and bring awareness to all the empty bowls in the world. Many children and adults go hungry everyday in this community and throughout the world. This collaboration between our young children and our community service group is meant to show that by working together we can bring attention to this global problem and hopefully help in some small way," said Lions Club member and project chairperson, Yvonne Mallak.

or e-mailed to

"We wanted to find a way to not only bring awareness to the children in our schools about Lions Clubs and the many ways that Lions around the world help those in need, but find a way we could work together on a community service project. We believe it's important that children learn early about getting involved in community service and volunteerism," Mallak said.

On February 10, the Lions Club, with the help of the art classes, will serve a Souper Bowl Supper at Oscoda High School from 5 to 7 p.m. The soup will be made by the Lions Clubs members and served "potluck style." Cost of the meal will be \$3 for children ages five to 12, and \$5 for 13 and up, and a maximum cost of \$20 per family. Dinner will include soup, crackers, bread/rolls, dessert and drink. Tickets will be available from Lions Club members, or at the door the night of the soup supper.

Those present will have the opportunity to purchase the bowls which have been made

through this project, as well as view other artwork done by the elementary and middle school student. By purchasing a bowl and taking it home empty, it serves as a constant reminder that there are millions of people in this world that have empty bowls every day of their lives.

Proceeds from the evening will be shared between the Lions Club to be used on some of its many service projects, and the children's choice of a charity which will focus on feeding the hungry.

Any questions regarding this project may be directed to Mallak at (989) 329-1415.



Students put finishing touches on a clay bowl. These art projects will be available to view and purchase at the Souper Bowl Supper. Courtesy photo.

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What a difference a day makes

By Kathryn Fritz Kniep *Columnist*

"Time is tapping on my forehead, hanging from my mirror, rattling the teacup..."

~ Paul Simon From time to time these past few weeks, I've found my thoughts turning to the people of Samoa. Just wondering how it's going there.

If you missed it in the rush of the New Year, during the last week of December, the Samoans made a great leap forward, moving from Thursday the 29th to Saturday the 31st and by-passing Friday altogether. The whole exercise was accomplished by shifting the International Dateline to the west of the little island, and the goal was to put them more in line with the schedule of its principle trade partners.

Prime Minister Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, (presumably also known as the keeper of the vowels) who proposed the change, explained it this way, "We're losing out on two working days a week. While it's Friday here, it's Saturday in New Zealand and when we're at church on Sunday, they're already conducting business in Sydney and Brisbane."

Malielegaoi is apparently a real out of the box thinker. In 2009, he enacted a law switching drivers from the left side of the road to the right, putting them more in line with New Zealand and



During the fourth quarter of 2011 the staff of the Lincoln branch of the Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union decided to raise money and collect food for families in need in their community. Staff members organized many different fundraisers. Candy bars, holiday ornaments and special "Santa Bucks" were sold at teller windows. The staff also held two bake sales. Their efforts raised \$1,536.34 plus many pounds of food to help those less fortunate in Alcona County. Baskets of food, gas cards, and gifts were assembled and delivered to families in the community who were in need. The Lincoln branch also made a donation of \$157.31 from the funds they raised to the Alcona Food Pantry. (From left to right) Lincoln branch staff members Lorna Dellar, Missy Stoner, Nick Bouchard, Stacey Hall, Brenda Bouchard, Nancy Somers and Michele Russeau pose with some of the items they collected to help needy families in their community. Courtesy photo.



Australia – and presumably, at least at first, with other drivers who momentarily forgot about the law.

In reality, the change actually put things back to normal, since Samoa moved to the other side of the dateline in 1892, to facilitate trading with then trade partners like Hawaii. But since there are probably few folks around who remember the change 120 years ago, it seems like a new concept. And I wonder, as I said, how the folks of Samoa are doing in the wake of their lost Friday.

Regular readers know that fooling around with time is a concept I don't take to well. Daylight saving time – both falling back and springing forward – leave me with a strange sense of incorrectness for days, plaintively inquiring from time to time (no pun intended), "But what time is it really?"

My husband, who lived all over the world in his military days and adapts to such things much more easily than I, is fond of answering, "Well, it really is eight o'clock (or whatever). If you're asking what the time would be..."

It might really be eight o'clock, but for a long time after the change it just doesn't feel right to me and my internal clock. So I find it hard to imagine how difficult it would be to have a whole day suddenly disappear. In fact, up until the end of December, I didn't even realize it was an option.

Actually, I suppose it really is only an option if you're located right on the International Dateline. If we, located on the 45th parallel, decided to do it, I suppose we could only move ahead (or behind)

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Viking Energy of Lincoln Is Proud to Sponsor ALCONA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Karina Cole and Amy Nowak for being selected as co-Alcona Tiger players of the week. Karina has been outstanding in many aspects of the game including leading the team in scoring, assists, and steals. Amy is second on the team in scoring and second in rebounding. Both players have had a big hand in helping the team to their 8-0 start to the season. Congrats girls!



NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF ALCONA COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that the last day to register to vote for the February 28, 2012 Presidential



Primary is Monday, January 30, 2012 by 5:00 p.m.

Persons planning to register to vote may visit any Secretary of State Branch office or register with their respective County, City or Township Clerk. Please call for office hours.

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The following office will appear on the ballot: President of the United States

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

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

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

An artist reception for the Northeast Michigan Artists' Guild will be held from 1:15 to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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

The GM Sunrise Side Salaried Retirees will hold their regular monthly meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, 1000 US-23 North, Alpena. The speaker will be Officer Scott Koporski from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. For more information, contact Chuck Griffin, (989) 727-3350, Frank Baranski, (989) 595-2789 or Don Cantleberry (989) 354-5504.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

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

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

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

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

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

MSU Extension is providing a journey to wellness, a series of free classes once a week with instructor Beth Noffze, from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. at District Health Department No. 2, 311 Lake St., Harrisville. This week's class is "Eating More Fruits and Vegetables". For more information, call Alpena MSU Ext. (989) 354-9879 or Alcona MSU Ext. (989) 724-6478.

Soup and apple pie ala mode supper at the Harris-

ville United Methodist Church, 217 State St. (US-23) from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Free will offerings accepted.

The Pine River Van Etten Lake watershed meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Road.

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



NOTICE

Millen Township is seeking anyone that would be interested in being a member of the Millen Township Board of Review. If interested please send a letter to:

> Gwen Cox, Millen Twp. Clerk Box 231 Barton City, Mi 48705

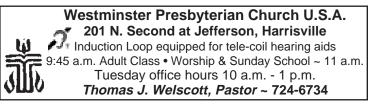
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The Alternative Energy Discussion Group will meet at 4 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Discussion will include ideas relating to practical and affordable alternative energy projects in northern Michigan. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Alcona County Amateur Radio Group will meet at the EMS building, 2600 E. M-72 at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in emergency and public service communications is invited to attend. Free refreshments will be served. For more information, call Stan Darmofal (989) 724Sunday Morning 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Rev. Carlo Sgambelluri, Pastor

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Pastor Tracy Brooks (989) 724-3033 (h) PastorTracy@Charter.net (989) 335-3576 (c)

Come as you are – everyone is welcome!

NEMWA Youth Wrestling

Northeastern Michigan Wresting Association (NEMWA) youth wresting 2012 season is underway. The Oscoda Youth Wrestlers competed in their first wrestling meet of the season against other NEMWA Division A youth wrestling clubs from Gladwin, Mid Michigan Grapplers, Ogemaw, Pinconning, Standish, and Whittemore-Prescott y on Saturday, Jan. 7 at Ogemaw Heights High School.

Those who placed:

• Five-six year olds: First place with all pins - Carson Gooch, 46 pound weight class; fourth place - Brooke Collier, 67 pound weight class; fourth place - Ethan Erkkila, 46 pound weight class; and second place -Maximus Herrick, 52 pound weight class.

• Seven-eight year olds: Fourth place - Austin Whisenant, 67 pound wight class; third place - William Collier, 77 pound weight class; first place - Lukas Herrick, (bumped up from 86 pound weight class to 97 pound class; and second place - David Williams-Schott, 64 pound weight class.

• Nine-10 year olds: Third place - Andrew Dault, 85

pound weight class; and fourth place - Matt Johnson, 90 pound weight class.

• Eleven-12 year olds: First place (with all pins) - Harry Samotis, heavyweight; second place - Jacob Dettmer-Schott, heavyweight; third place - Anthony Johnson, 100 pound weight class; and first place - Benyamin Morang, 70 pound weight class.

• Thirteen-14 year olds: Third place - Knesley Johnson, 138 pound weight class.

On Janauary 14 the Oscoda Youth Wrestlers traveled to Midland, Mich. to compete in the second meet of the season at Bullock Creek High School.

Those placing were:

• Five-six year olds: Third place - Maximus Herrick, 52 pound weight class; fourth place - Ricky Schott, 49 pound weight class; and second place - Alden McShane, 46 pound weight class.

• Seven - eight year olds: First place - Lukas Herrick, 97 pound weight class; and second place - David Schott-Williams, 64 pound weight class.

• Nine-10 year olds: Fourth place - Matt Johnson, 90 pound weight class; fourth place - Ryan Rodak, 59 pound weight class; and third place - Andrew Dault, 80 pound weight class.

• Eleven-12 year olds: Third place - Jacob Schott-Dettmer, heavyweight; first place - Anthony Johnson, 100 pound weight class; first place - Benyamin Morang, 70 pound weight class; and first place - (with one out going into overtime) Harry Samotis, heavyweight.

• Thirteen-14 year olds: Second place - Knesley Johnson, 145 pound weight class; and second place - Alec Polland, 130 pound weight class.

Also competing were Ian Bobolts, James Johnson, Benjamin Lickfelt and Natasha Morang.

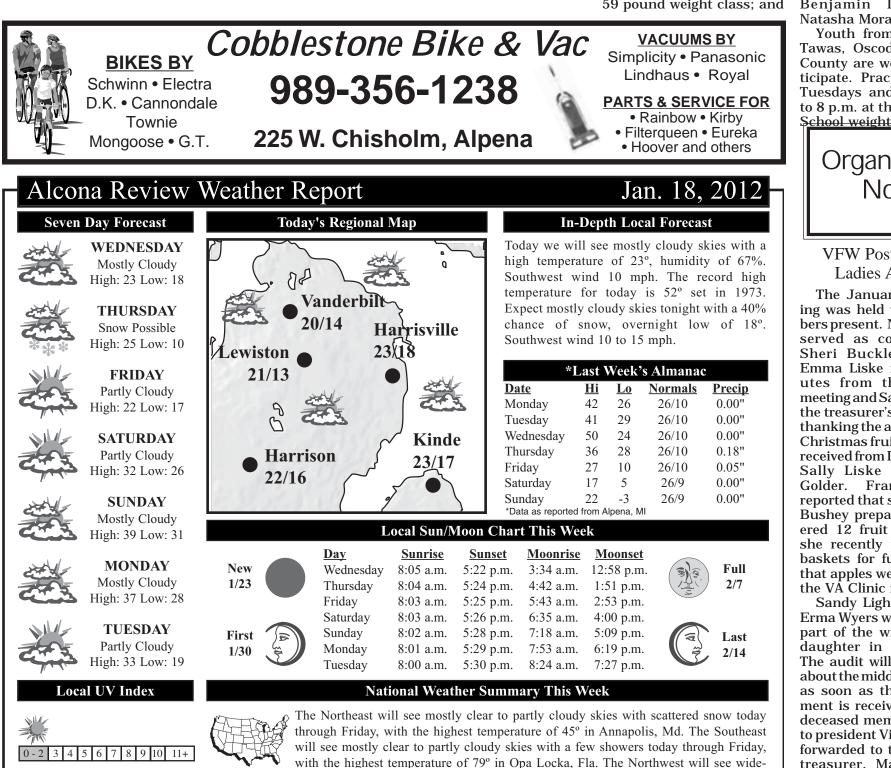
Youth from the areas of Tawas, Oscoda and Alcona County are welcome to participate. Practices are held Tuesdays and Thursdays 6 to 8 p.m. at the Oscoda High <u>School weight room.</u>

> Organization Notes

VFW Post No. 6754 Ladies Auxiliary

The January 2012 meeting was held with 11 members present. Norma Alstrom served as conductress in Sheri Buckler's absence. Emma Liske read the minutes from the December meeting and Sandy Light gave the treasurer's report. Notes thanking the auxiliary for the Christmas fruit baskets were received from Lucille Murray, Sally Liske and Dorothy Golder. Frances Ziesman reported that she and Donna Bushey prepared and delivered 12 fruit baskets, that she recently purchased 25 baskets for future use and that apples were delivered to the VA Clinic in Alpena.

Sandy Light advised that Erma Wyers will be spending part of the winter with her daughter in Pennsylvania. The audit will be scheduled about the middle of the month as soon as the bank statement is received. The list of deceased members provided to president Vichunas will be forwarded to the District 11 treasurer. Mary Ann Seymour read her grandson's



UV Index

0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High 11+: Extreme Exposure Colville, Wash. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 74° in Phoenix, Ariz.

spread snow today, scattered rain and snow Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 52° in

Tonight's Planets

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 Mercury
 7:30 a.m.
 4:13 p.m.

 Venus
 9:55 a.m.
 8:35 p.m.

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 Jupiter
 11:54 a.m.
 1:30 a.m.

 Saturn
 1:09 a.m.
 12:03 p.m.

 Uranus
 10:47 a.m.
 10:50 p.m.

Weather History

Jan. 18, 1987 - A storm in the south central United States blanketed Oklahoma City with eight inches of snow, their highest total since 1948. Snowfall totals in Oklahoma reached up to 13 inches at Gage, with drifts five feet high.

Weather Trivia

Which type of thunderstorm is considered to be most dangerous?

Answer: Supercell.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

letter about remembering the veterans. President Vichunas presented the annual reports to the chairmen present.

The District 11 meeting will be held on February 5 at the Gladwin Post No. 7303. The next meeting of VFW Post No. 6754 and the ladies auxiliary will be held on February 7.

— Weekly SUDOKU —

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StarWatch By Gary Becker - A Horizon for All Seasons

As I write these words near mid-January, my new North Face winter jacket hangs idly in the closet patiently waiting for winter to begin. Maybe we'll skip this dreaded season altogether and emerge into an early spring. I thought about this the other evening as I exited my SUV in a light jacket. It was about 6:00 p.m. Looking towards the NW, I spied a madly scintillating star across the street near the tree line. It was Vega, the brightest luminary in the constellation of Lyra the Harp. Vega is also the brightest star of the Great Summer Triangle, an asterism of two seasons ago, and yes, still visible low in the west and NW. I like seeing constellations at odd seasons of the year, such as winter's Orion the Hunter rising in the predawn hour of mid-August while watching for Perseid meteors. Now the winter group featuring Orion, Auriga the Charioteer, Taurus the Bull, Gemini the Twins, and Canis Major and Canis Minor, the big and little dogs are on the rise in the east at the same time the Great Summer Triangle is on the wane in the west. Due south at 6 p.m. and nearly two-thirds of the way up in the sky will be found bright Jupiter. To Jupiter's right and slightly higher in the sky can be found the four vivid stars that form autumn's Great Square of Pegasus the Flying Horse. Find the two stars farthest to the right in the Great Square and follow them downward towards the horizon. On the way, it will be impossible to miss radiant Venus to the right, the brightest object of the night except for the moon. Keep trekking downward and just before reaching the horizon will be lonely Fomalhaut of Piscis Austrinus the Southern Fish. Looking NE near the horizon, the bowl of the Big Dipper is beginning to point upward, a sure indication that winter, at least astronomically, must give way to spring. There are the leftovers and appetizers of all of the seasons along the lowly horizons. www.astronomy.org

TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

1. SPACE: What did the Apollo 11 mission accomplish?

2. MOVIES: What literary character is featured in the movies "Casino Royale" and "Live and Let Die"?

3. HISTORY: In what year was the Magna Carta signed?

4. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president instituted the Good Neighbor policy toward Latin America?

5. PSYCHOLOGY: What abnormal fear is represented by "odontophobia"?

6.TELEVISION: Who played the part of Trapper John McIntyre on "MASH"?

7. LITERATURE: What was the original title of F. Scott Fitzgerald's "This Side of Paradise"?

8. ENTERTAINERS: How old was actress/singer Marilyn Monroe when she died?

9. U.S. STATES: Which state's nickname is the Mountain State?

10. FAMOUS QUOTES: What 20th-century leader once said, "Satisfaction lies in the effort, not in the attainment, full effort is full victory"?

Answers: 1. Put the first men on the moon; 2. James Bond; 3. 1215; 4. Franklin Roosevelt; 5. A fear of teeth; 6. Wayne Rogers; 7. "The Romantic Egotist"; 8. 36; 9. West Virginia; 10. Mohandas Gandhi. (c) 2012 King Features Synd., Inc.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE by Samantha Weaver

• It was noted 20th-century poet T.S. Eliot who made the following sage observation: "Some editors are failed writers, but so are most writers."

• The United States' first railroad was built in 1809 in Crown Creek, Pa., by a man named Thomas Leiper. It had wooden tracks.

• When the now-classic television show "Gilligan's Island" first aired in 1964, critics were not impressed. The review published in the San Francisco Chronicle said, "It is difficult to believe that this show was written, directed and produced by adults. It marks a new low in the networks' estimation of public intelligence." The show went on to air for three seasons and spurred three TV movie sequels.

• Believing that beards and long hair were too easy for enemies to grab, Alexander the Great ordered his soldiers to shave their faces and heads before going into battle.

• You hear a lot about the isolationism of Switzerland — the country that's always neutral in any conflict — but you might be surprised to learn how serious they are about it. The country's system of roads is mined in 2,000 places and can be demolished in the space of 10 minutes.

• Are you doing your share? If you've had a beer today, you've contributed to the approximately 90 million cans of the brew that are consumed by Americans every day.

• When the territory that later became the state of Alaska was purchased from Russia in 1867, the cost came out to about 2 cents per acre.

• It's not clear why, but it seems that fine hair grows faster than coarse hair.

Thought for the Day: "My father taught me to work, but not to love it. I never did like to work, and I don't deny it. I'd rather read, tell stories, crack jokes, talk, laugh anything but work." — Abraham Lincoln

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MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel

• On Feb. 3, 1780, in one of the most famous crimes of post-Revolution America, 20-year-old boarder Barnett Davenport commits a mass murder, killing a family of five at their home in rural Connecticut. Until then, crime was viewed as sinners losing their way. But Davenport's crime caused people to perceive criminals as evil and alien to the rest of society.

• On Feb. 2, 1812, Russians establish Fort Ross on the coast north of San Francisco as a source of growing food. The effort was not successful. American John Sutter bought Fort Ross in 1841 with an unsecured \$30,000 note that he never paid.

• On Feb. 1, 1917, Germany returns to the policy of unrestricted submarine warfare in the Atlantic as it prepares to attack any and all ships. Two days later, the United States broke off diplomatic relations with Germany. Just hours after that, the American liner Housatonic was sunk by a German U-boat.

• On Feb. 4, 1922, the Ford Motor Company acquires the failing luxury automaker Lincoln Motor Company for \$8 million. Ford's son Edsel eventually helped to convince his father to drop his famous rule: "You can have any color, as long as it's black."

• On Feb. 5, 1937, President Franklin Roosevelt announces a controversial plan to expand the Supreme Court to as many as 15 judges. Critics charged that Roosevelt was trying to neutralize Supreme Court justices hostile to his New Deal. By 1942, all but two of the justices were his appointees.

• On Jan. 30, 1948, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, the political and spiritual leader of the Indian independence movement, is assassinated in New Delhi by a Hindu fanatic. Known as Mahatma, Gandhi's persuasive methods of civil disobedience influenced leaders of civil rights movements, especially Martin Luther King Jr.

• On Jan. 31, 1950, U.S. President Harry Truman publicly announces his decision to support the development of the hydrogen bomb. In 1952, the United States successfully detonated "Mike" in the Pacific Marshall Islands. The 10.4-megaton thermonuclear device instantly vaporized an entire island.

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CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The regular Caledonia Township Board meeting on January 11 was called to order by supervisor Brown with the pledge to the flag. Present on board: Brown, Thornton, Timm, Ott and Scott. Also present: Zoning administrator Nancy Beck and nine citizens. Motion to approve agenda with additions. Motion to approve the minutes of December 14. Correspondence: Alcona County Police report, PI Electric meetings, Alcona County chapter meeting Jan. 31. Motion to pay the bills. Motion to place treasurer's report on file.

Planning commission report: New member is Gary Grove and Jane Waldeck was appointed as liaison to ZBA. They will hold a public hearing in March for Section 302 sub point 3 deletion. Annual report for 2011 submitted. Request for three more study sessions.

Zoning administrator report: Working on signs. Voss land division will submit for a variance. Park report: Meeting held January 3. Engineers are working on plans and getting bids. Hope to start early spring and be done by end of May. Writing a grant for Phase II for the park. We will hold a public meeting for input and review on Thursday, March 1, at 7 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Community Center. Board scheduled budget workshop February 21, at 6 p.m.

Citizen comments: Hubbard Lake Fire Department looking at new vacuum tanker. Grace Phillips-Thunder Bay Power, FERC is telling them that they should install an eight foot fence between them and the neighbor, this is against our ordinance, but as it is federal mandate they feel they do not have to apply for a variance. Motion to have Hubbard Lake Tree Service cut trees at Northend Park.

Motion to appropriate \$143,950 our half for new vacuum tanker for H.L. Fire Department. Motion to have Nancy Beck refer letter from Thunder Bay PC to our attorney for review and recommendation. Motion to send John Preston to board of review training, February 7, in East Tawas. Motion to allow planning commission to hold three more study sessions. Motion to adjourn at 8 p.m. All motions at the meeting were

passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Our next meeting is February 8. Planning Commission meets February 6. Website is Caledoniatwp.net.

Helen Timm, Clerk

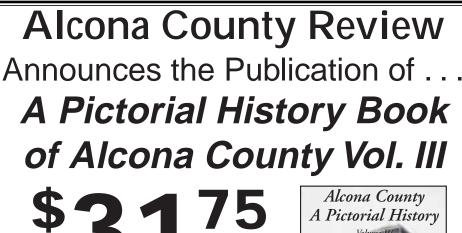


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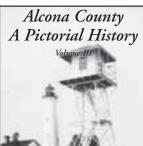
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Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In the event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by James S. Duetsch and Betty J. Duetsch as mortgagors, to Northland Area Federal Credit Union as mortgagee, which mortgage is dated April 24, 2007, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, Michigan, on May 21, 2007, in Liber 441 at pages 1,472-1,491, and upon which mortgage is claimed to be due on the date of this notice the sum of \$65,780, and no suit or proceedings at law or equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, Feb. 29, 2012 at 10 a.m., on the front steps of the Alcona County Courthouse, 106 5th Street in the City of

State of Michigan Probate Court **County of Alcona** Notice to Creditors

File No. 12-005019 Estate of Frederick E. Taft Date of birth: June 4, 1938 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Frederick E. Taft, who lived at 3594 Kirk Street, Spruce, Michigan died January 30, 2011.

Decedent's Estate

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Frederick E. Taft Jr., named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at P.O. Box 328 Harrisville and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: January 12, 2012 David H. Cook P40560 5466 M-72, P.O. Box 585 Harrisville, MI 48740 (989) 724-5155 Frederick E. Taft Jr. 3668 Fast Allen Road Howell, MI 48855

the place for holding circuit court for the county of Alcona where the premises are situated, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for the purpose of satisfying the amount due and unpaid upon said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 5.750 percent per annum, together with legal costs, charges and expenses of sale. including applicable attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee on or before the date of said sale which may be necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Harrisville, county of Alcona, that being

The land and premises in said mortgage, being situated in the township of Mitchell, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, and described as follows: T28N. R5E, Section 33, W 720 feet of N 700 feet of the NE 1/4.

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale, unless the premises are determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241(a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: December 19, 2011 Paul E. Wenzloff (P27662) Attorney for Mortgagee 903 N. Jackson Street Bay City, MI 48708 (989) 893-9511

LEGAL NOTICE

As a debt collector we are attempting to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Notify us at the number below if you are in active military duty.

Mortgage sale - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by David A. Witt and Suzan E. Witt, husband and wife as joint tenants, mortgagors, to Long Beach Mortgage Company, mortgagee, dated the 11th day of May, 2005 and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 18th day of May, 2005 in Liber 416 of Alcona County records, page 1,101. Said mortgage having been assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-WL2 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of forty-two thousand nine hundred eighty and 44/100 (\$42,980.44), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

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rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee.

In that event, your damages, if any, shall

be limited solely to the return of the bid

amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Mortgage sale - Default has been made

in the conditions of a mortgage made by

Michael E. Harrell and Michelle Harrell,

husband and wife, original mortgagor(s),

to Mortgage Electronic Registration Sys-

tems, Inc., mortgagee, dated June 25,

2008, and recorded on July 8, 2008 in

Liber 453 on page 1,432, and assigned

by said mortgagee to Bank of America,

N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home

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tempting to collect a debt. Any informa-

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pose. Please contact our office at (248)

539-7400 if you are in active military

Mortgage sale - Default has been made

in the conditions of a mortgage made by

Kevin Coulson and Tamara L. Coulson.

husband and wife, to American Money

Centers, Inc., mortgagee, dated Febru-

ary 4, 2004, and recorded on February

13. 2004. in Document No.

200400000590, Liber 397, on page 52,

and assigned by said mortgagee to

GMAC Mortgage, LLC SBM to GMAC

Mortgage Corporation, as assigned, Al-

cona County records Michigan on which

duty.

you are in active military duty. Attention purchasers: This sale may be 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 15th day of February, 2012 at 10 o'clock a.m. local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, 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 7.650 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,

of Greenbush, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: Lot 30 of Huron Cedar Lake Subdivision according to the recorded plat thereof as found in Liber 1 of plats, pages 83-84, Alcona County records. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale. Dated: January 18, 2012

located thereon, situated in the township

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company,

as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-WL2 Mortgagee Fabrizio & Brook, P.C. Attorney for Deutsche Bank National

Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-WL2 888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 800

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Loans Servicing, L.P. fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee This firm is a debt collector attempting to as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on collect a debt. Any information we obtain which mortgage there is claimed to be will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred forty-nine thousand two hun-

> (\$149,274.33), including interest at six percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on February 15, 2012.

> dred seventy-four and 33/100 dollars

Said premises are situated in township of Greenbush, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Town 25

the date hereof the sum of one hundred ten thousand one hundred forty-four dollars and twenty-three cents (\$110,144.23), including interest at 5.750 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. o'clock, on February 15, 2012. Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: That part of the north half (N-1/2) of the northwest quarter (NW-1/4) of Section North Range 9 East Section 26 South 1/ 2 of Lot 393 Huron Cedar Lakes Subdivision No. 3, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page(s) 104 of Alcona County records. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: January 18, 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. 391938F01

1-18, 1-25, 2-1, 2-08 scribed as commencing at the northwest corner of said north half (N-1/2) of the

northwest guarter (NW-1/4); thence south 30 rods: thence east 20 rods: thence north 32 rods; thence west 20 rods to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. GMAC Mortgage, LLC SBM to GMAC Mortgage Corporation Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335

State of Michigan Probate Court **County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate** File No. 12-5017 DE

1-4, 1-11, 1-18, 1-25

Estate of Dorothy L. Liske, deceased Date of birth: January 1, 1927 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Dorothy L. Liske, deceased, who lived at 1781 Monica Dr., Caledonia Township, Michigan died November 19, 2011. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Donald G. Liske, named personal representative or proposed personal, or to both the probate court at Alcona County building, P.O. Box 328, 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 and the named/ proposed personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: January 4, 2012 Bueche, Failer, O'Callaghan & Zintsmaster John A. Zintsmaster P35487 G-6258 W. Pierson Rd. Flushing, MI 48433

(810) 733-6960

HARRISVILLE TWP. <u>MINUTES</u>

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held January 10 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and seven guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." Commissioner Thompson updated the board and asked if the Alcona Farm Market could use the hall around January 25. Yes. Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report accepted and reconciled with the clerk. Ordinance enforcer still working on violation. Assessor got board approval to scrub the township computers at no cost to the township. Stone/Jamieson: To put \$20,000 from the liquor fund into a one year CD. Motion carried.

Johnston/Pyne: To adopt by Resolution No. 11012 Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test. Roll call five ayes, zero nays. Motion carried. Young/ Pyne: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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

6353 Seymour Flushing, MI 48433

Donald G. Liske

ALCONA TWP. **SYNOPSIS**

Alcona Township's January board meeting was called to order by supervisor Carlin at 7 p.m. with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: Carlin, LaLonde, Gauthier and MacNeill, Absent Mead. Clerk's minutes and treasurer's report were filed. Motions to pay bills, to place two ballot proposals on the August Primary (renewals), to purchase 4,000 forever stamps, to approve the transfer of the liquor license from Pat's Mountain Inn, Inc. to Tomas J. Kane. All motions passed.

Dawn LaLonde. Clerk This synopsis published prior to board approval.



mortgage there is claimed to be due at 29, Town 25 North, Range 5 East, de-

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Now, therefore, by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the Statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, Feb. 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., on the front steps of the Alcona County Courthouse, 106 5th Street in the City of Harrisville, County of Alcona, that being the place for holding Circuit Court for the County of Alcona where the premises are situated, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for the purpose of satisfying the amount due and unpaid upon said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 9.125 percent per annum, together with legal costs, charges and expenses of sale, including applicable attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee on or before the date of said sale which may

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be necessary to protect its interest in the premises

. The land and premises in said mortgage, being situated in the Township of Greenbush, County of Alcona, State of Michigan, and described as follows: The North 180 0 feet of the South 319 88 feet of the North 1/2 of Government Lot 1, Section 15, Township 25 North, Range 9 East, lying Westerly of Cedar Lake Drive, so called.

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

Dated: January 2, 2012 Paul E. Wenzloff (P27662) Attorney for Mortgagee 903 N. Jackson Street Bay City, MI 48708 (989) 893-9511 1-11, 1-18, 1-25, 2-1

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six hours...or so. As I said, time isn't my strong point. I don't wear a watch and unless I have an uncompromising appointment, I tend to rely more on my own sense of time.

It's a pretty good one, too. As a general rule, I'll get up to go check the cake just about the time the oven timer goes off and when the Princess was younger, I often found myself looking up to check the clock just as her curfew rolled around. So the idea of just skipping over a whole Friday rather gives me the whim-whams.

What, for example, if that particular Friday happened to be your birthday? Birthdays are highly anticipated and celebrated events in our house. Oh, I know it would be perfectly possible to just cut your cake and blow out your candle on Saturday, but personally, I'd be left with the unsettling feeling that I'd lost "my" day that year, and would remain one-off for all the years to come. Unless or until they changed it back, at which time I'd feel even more discombobulated.

I'd be the first to agree that it doesn't make a great deal of sense. Nonetheless, my internal clock, as I said, is a strong one and I'd feel for the rest of my life like that particular birthday had fallen through the cracks or folded up in the end of the year calendar, and it just wasn't right.

I suppose working people might have appreciated going directly to Saturday from Thursday. Still, you'd think if they were going to take a day, they could have dispensed with Monday - one that most people would just as soon skip. And what if it was payday or you worked on an hourly basis? Would you just come up one day short in your paycheck (assuming you got one at all)? Far too complicated, if you ask me.

I recognize, of course, that time is only a concept, like money. There's nothing, after all, that says that a particular size and shape of green paper truly equals 100 pennies and another equals 500. It's only the fact that we say it does that makes it so. The same is true of time. And yet...

What if it was the day you'd scheduled to turn over a new leaf? Admittedly, most people tend to do things like that on New Year's (which, by the way, came first to Samoa of anywhere the world thanks to the day/time change) but sometimes these things are based on personal choices whatever reason. for Wouldn't the temptation be greater to just say "Oh heck with the whole thing?"

Our days are made up of little, but important, things. As someone who once had to stay home sick on the rare and long looked forward to occasion when I was finally supposed to serve as sixth grade hall monitor, I can tell you that the whole concept of a missed opportunity can loom large in your memory for a long, long time thereafter.

And so I've been wondering how the folks in Samoa are faring, one day ahead of where they're supposed to be. I'd be willing to bet that some people are still feeling ill at ease. Maybe frustrated or annoyed or still feeling the void where that Friday was supposed to be. Despite being described as a culture where change is taken in stride, there have to be some Samoans who are muttering to themselves that the primary export of Samoa is coconuts and how often, really, does anyone need a cocoanut on an urgent basis? (That is, when they're not driving and muttering to themselves, "On the left. On the left." One would think it would be rare enough that when the situation did come up, one could just express mail the cocoanut in question.

All in all, I'm glad the land where I live isn't inclined to such timefoolery. For one thing, Congress would undoubtedly find all kinds of days that needed to be avoided, resulting in a totally catawampus calendar in no time at all (pun intended). And folks like me would be conflicted to the point of distraction.

No thanks. I'll take my time in one long unbroken spiral (with the exception of the days we fall forward and spring back) thank you. Just the way it was intended to be. I personally predict that in the near future, we'll see ads conjecturing that for just a few minutes a day, you too can give a poor Samoan back their Friday. That would be a donation I'd find hard to resist, time after time.

(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 27 years. A Voices of Michigan 2002 author, 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 grand-dog, Bastian, all of whom are frequent victims of her column.)

