

DNR fire officer home after 14-day U.P. assignment

By Cheryl Peterson
Editor

One Alcona County resident is home after spending 14 days in the Upper Peninsula fighting the state's third largest wildfire in the last 100 years. And he is ready to leave again if he is needed anywhere in the state or nation.

Roger MacNeill, a fire officer with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), has been assigned to the DNR Field Office in Lincoln since 1994 and works with area fire departments to share resources, train and work together to ensure a strong community partnership between his office and local volunteer fire departments.

However, the professional fireman welcomes the challenge of wild land fires. "The state of Michigan is responsible for managing all wild fires in Michigan," MacNeill said. "We share responsibilities with the U.S. Forest Service and we train together in that effort."

MacNeill, a native and resident of Lincoln, graduated from Alcona High School in 1982. Fighting fires was something he had an interest in early as his father, Glenn (Janice) MacNeill and grandfather, Raymond MacNeill, were volunteer fire fighters.

At the age of 18 he became a key man at the DNR Field Office in Lincoln. This volunteer position provided the training to assist DNR fire officers in fighting fires. Over the course of several years while he was also a volunteer fireman with the Lincoln Fire Department, he held several jobs - a mechanic at his father's auto repair shop, meat cutter at the Lincoln

IGA and a road crewman on the Alcona County Road Commission - he maintained the volunteer position as key man.

The key man position was what paid off when he finally, after nine years of applying, had the opportunity to interview for a fire officer with the DNR. "They like to hire key men because they are already trained and are familiar with the way things are done," MacNeill said. "I knew (firefighting) was the type of work that I enjoyed and since I came from a mechanical background - that came into good play," he said.

Fire officers within the DNR, MacNeill said, "Are a dying breed. When I started with the fire officer program within the state of Michigan there were 121 of us, now there are 51." He feels that it is important to let people know what fire officers do in respect to fighting wild fires - and other duties as well. "We are like an insurance policy. You don't need us until something bad happens. And, we are as good as the type of policy you bought."

He used the example of the Duck Lake fire that began in the eastern Upper Peninsula on Wednesday, May 23 with a lightning strike and eventually burned 21,094 acres (see related story). MacNeill was called in on Friday, May 25 and spent two weeks as a division supervisor with 46 people he gave direction to and worked with during that time.

"A wild land fire is constantly moving, constantly changing - consistently challenging," MacNeill said. "You

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Fire fighters from three departments battled a house fire in Black River for about four hours on Friday, June 15. According to Alcona Township Fire Chief Ralph Klotz, the fire was reported at 6:21 p.m. When fire fighters arrived on the scene the home, located at the corner of Lake Shore and Harbor Drive, was fully engulfed in flames. The owner, Tracy Gonzales, was not home when the fire started, but a male resident was, according to Alcona County Fire Investigator Greg Oke.

He explained the man was singed after he entered the garage (below) to investigate after noticing smoke coming from that structure. No one else was injured. However, the home was a total loss. Oke said the cause of the fire is still under investigation and there is no evidence of foul play. The investigation shows the fire started in the garage and worked south into the rest of the home. Klotz said 18,000 gallons of a water-foam mixture was used to extinguish the fire. Alcona Township, Harrisville and Lincoln fire departments worked together to put out the fire -- clearing the scene around 10 p.m. Also assisting at the scene were DNR fire officers, troopers from the Michigan State Police, Alpena post, Alcona County Sheriff deputies and Alcona EMS. Photos by Cheryl Peterson.



DNR Fire Officer Roger MacNeill (seated, far right) is part of the crew assigned to the Duck Lake fire in the Upper Peninsula which receives the incident report update and daily objectives/instructions each morning before heading to the fire lines. Photo courtesy of the Michigan DNR.

U.P.'s Duck Lake Fire is 100 percent contained

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reported last week that - roughly three weeks after it started in the eastern Upper Peninsula's Luce County - the Duck Lake Fire is now 100 percent contained.

Recent GPS data show the fire stands at 21,069 acres. The south end of the fire is 14 miles north of Newberry and seven miles west of Tahquamenon Falls State Park campgrounds.

The lighting-strike caused fire, which was first detected on Thursday, May 24, is long and narrow and stretches 11 miles north to the Lake Superior shoreline. In all, fire crews constructed more than

42.6 miles of contained fire line.

DNR officials expected the on-scene incident commander to return to his home and the Duck Lake Fire incident team will go into "patrol" status, meaning the fire will be monitored daily with local equipment.

"Wildfire season is tough, no question. We continually prepare for this time of year, but also hope the need for fire fighting resources will be low," said Bill O'Neill, acting chief of the DNR's Forest Resources Division. "With the Duck Lake Fire, that just wasn't the case. Weather con-

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Obituaries

Scott J. Ankner

Scott Joseph Ankner, 49, of Alpena, died on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at his home.

He was born December 4, 1962 to Joseph and Mabel Ankner in Harrisville. He was a lifelong resident of the area.

He served in the U.S. Army. He had developed an online business repairing sofa cushions. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed being on the water.

Mr. Ankner is survived by three brothers, Tony (Sherrie) Ankner of Coldwater, Mich., Brian (Sherry) Ankner of Lincoln and Mark (Diana) Ankner of Charlotte, N.C.; four nieces; and five nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Stanley Dominic "Nicky" Ankner in 1954.

The funeral service was held Saturday, June 16 at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln. The Rev. Arie Van Brenk officiated. Burial was in Twin Lakes Cemetery, Lincoln.

Carl G. Johansson

Carl Gustaf Johansson, 85, of Lincoln died on Thursday, June 14, 2012 at the Alpena Medical Regional Medical Center.

He was born September 25, 1926 in Detroit, Mich. to Gustaf and Helga (Erickson) Johansson. He was raised in Plymouth, Mich. and Dearborn, Mich.

He married Eva Marion Stout on December 4, 1948.

He served in the U.S. Marines Corps during World War II in the Asiatic and Pacific theaters.

Mr. Johansson held several jobs throughout his life; he was employed as a produce supplier for a grocery store chain, and was a car salesman.

He moved to Lost Lake Woods from Detroit, Mich. in 1975. He owned and operated Smokey's Bar and Grill of Hubbard Lake from 1975 until 1981.

He was a member of the Hope Lutheran Church of Hubbard Lake.

Mr. Johansson is survived by three daughters, Sandra (Louis) Gusoff of Brighton, Mich., Linda (Stephen)



Hudgins of Lincoln and Carol Ann (David) Proost of Jacksonville, Fla.; 11 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and one sister, May Louise Korsak of Plymouth, Mich.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Eva, on April 30, 1992; one brother, Lloyd Johansson, in 1961; and one granddaughter in 2003.

The funeral was held Monday, June 18 at the Hope Lutheran Church, Hubbard Lake. The Rev. Herb Kitzman officiated. Burial was in Pleasant View Cemetery, Spruce. Funeral arrangements were made by Gillies Funeral Home.

Betty Jean Kienitz

Betty Jean Kienitz, 81, died on Monday, June 18, 2012 in Reed City, Mich.

She was born May 21, 1931 to Basil and Lela (Proconier) Travis in Mikado.

On August 15, 1964 she married William Kienitz in Oscoda. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church and school. She enjoyed antiques, garage sales, flea markets and quilting.

Mrs. Kienitz is survived by her husband, William; one son, Tom (Karen) Kienitz of Reed City, Mich.; one daughter, Debbie (Richard) Bremmer of Sand Lake, Mich.; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; three brothers, Lonnie (Sandy) Travis, Donald (Lois) Travis, both of Mikado, and Richard (Pam) Travis of Harrisville; one sister, Linda (Skip) Ayres of Alpena; one brother-in-law, Skip (Norma) Kienitz of Reed City, Mich.; one sister-in-law, Eva Kienitz of Reed City, Mich.; three aunts, Dorothy (Ken) Lee of Houghton Lake, Mich., Verna Travis of Mikado and Adeline Travis of Bay City, Mich.; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by five brothers, Robert, Fritz, Leonard, Allen and Billy Travis; two sisters, Dora Travis and Verna Hopp; one grandchild Tyler Mondrella; and one brother-in-law, Gus Kienitz.

The funeral will be held Thursday, June 21 at Pruitt-Livingston Funeral Home in Reed City, Mich. The Rev. Jeffrey Potter will officiate. Interment will be in Mikado Cemetery Friday, June 22 with visitation at the graveside beginning at noon. Memorial contributions may be made to the Trinity Lutheran Church building fund. Arrangements were handled by Pruitt-Livingston Funeral Home.

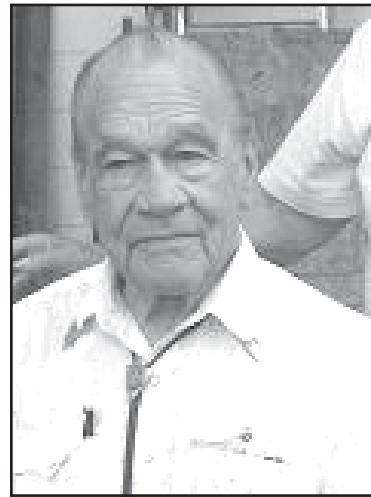
Alvin E. Hackett

Alvin Elroy Hackett, 77, of Vidor, Texas died on Monday, June 4, 2012.

He was born July 5, 1934 to Harry Thomas and Emelia Ann "Libby" Hackett in Edmore, Mich. He was raised in Chesterland, Ohio and Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

He enjoyed carpentry, mechanics and his Chevy truck.

Mr. Hackett is survived by three daughters, Geneva (David) Clark of Mikado, Emily Hackett Wilburn of Lincoln and Irene (Steven Rasmussen) Marsh of Ossineke; one son, Robert Hackett of Baton Rouge, La.; eight grandchildren, Angela (Danny) LaLonde, Kira (Michael) Palazzolo, Tonia (John Harp) Clark, Daniel (Tiffany Apsey) Wilburn, Curtis Wilburn, Larry (Melissa) Barker Jr., Christopher Barker, Joshua Barker; three step grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; Christa Cox, Torien Brown, Erykah LaLonde, Domanick Lawrence, Danyl Lewis LaLonde, Richard Coleman, Anthony Clark, Izabella Harp,



Trinity Wilburn, Tayler Wilburn and Nathaniel Barker; four step great-grandchildren; two brothers, William Hackett of New Haven, Mich. and Harry (Gladys) Hackett of Chagrin Falls, Ohio; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by two sisters, Edna VanWagner and Agnes Lee; and one brother, Floyd Hackett.

A service will be held at a later date.

Memorial Service

Dorothy Rothrock

There will be a memorial service for Dorothy (Byce) Rothrock who died on Monday, May 7, 2012.

The service will be held on Monday, July 2 at the Harrisville United Methodist Church. A pre-gathering will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. followed by the service at 2 p.m. Interment will take place at a later date in Springport Cemetery.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,
I think Harry Harvey's ad in the paper last week was very well put.

Howard O. Phinney
Harrisville

To the Editor,
I love dogs. I have always loved dogs. Throughout my life I have owned many dogs and remember the love and loyalty I enjoyed from their companionship. Thoughtfully chosen, these dogs played an important part in our family life.

Making a commitment to a pet is a responsibility not to be taken lightly. All family members must consider their role as a pet owner-feeding, exercising, training, medical care, grooming and waste management. How will our beloved pet be cared for when we are away from home? Most people I know share this philosophy and I admire their sense of responsibility.

Unfortunately, there is another kind of pet owner -- the one who acquires one or several dogs, builds a pen, confines the dogs to it and ignores them. Oh sure, they probably provide food and water, but it isn't just about survival. These dogs watch

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2011-2012

Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
June 11	75	62	0.00	5.1	21	SSW
June 12	73	50	0.00	3.9	19	N
June 13	67	42	0.00	2.1	9	N
June 14	68	43	0.00	2.6	13	SSE
June 15	73	57	0.00	4.0	17	SSW
June 16	73	58	0.00	3.5	22	SSW
June 17	79	62	0.02	3.3	20	SSW

Precipitation Summary (Inches)

	2012	2011	Normal
Weekly Total	0.02	0.60	0.56
June to Date	2.32	1.06	1.36
Year/Season to Date	11.64	14.32	11.57

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, JUNE 20

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.

Two computers and WIFI will be available for seniors over 60 for use at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call (989) 736-8879 for more information.

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

The Yarn Guild will meet from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. All homemade items will be given to local groups in Alcona County. Bring with you any yarn, needles, looms and patterns. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

There will be a foot clinic with Connie Cosbett R.N. at the Lincoln Senior Center from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$25. Call, (989) 736-8879 for an appointment.

American Red Cross blood drive at the Lincoln Senior Center from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Blood sugar and blood pressure readings at the Lincoln Senior Center at 4 p.m. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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

Join John Webster from Tait's Bill of Fare for a grilling demonstration at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$5 per person. Call, (989) 724-6796 to register.

Drop in craft and Wii for children at the Caledonia branch of the Alcona County Library, 1499 Hubert Rd., Hubbard Lake from 1 to 3 p.m.

Miz Rosie will instruct an Altered Book Workshop for young adults at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 2 p.m. Call, (989) 724-6796 to register for this free program.

Vacation Bible school for children age four through fifth grade at Greenbush Commu-

nity Baptist Church, 2430 S. State St., from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. For more information or for transportation, contact Pastor Caincross (989) 724-5264.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

Community walking club for everyone meets at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 8:30 a.m.

Trooper Servia of the Michigan State Police will give a presentation on senior driving at 1:30 p.m. at the Curtis Township Library, Bamfield Rd., Glennie.

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) 736-8022 for more information.

Two computers and WIFI will be available for seniors over 60 for use at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call, (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Walk in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Zumba dance class in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center at noon. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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

Blood sugar and blood pressure readings at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Rd., at 4 p.m. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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

Vacation Bible school for children age four through fifth grade at Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 S. State St., from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. For more information or for transportation, contact Pastro Caincross (989) 724-5264.

The Alpena City Band will perform at the Fine Arts Bandshell at Bay View Park in Alpena at 7:30 p.m. The concert will last approximately one hour. For more information, call (765) 631-1167.

The Barton City Improvement Association will hold a special 4th of July meeting at the Barton City VFW hall on Trask Lake Rd at 7 p.m. Volunteers are urged to attend.

FRIDAY, JUNE 22

Two computers and WIFI will be available for seniors over 60 for use at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to

5 p.m. Call, (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Walk in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

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

Storytime and craft for children at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10:15 to 11 a.m.

Henna tattoo workshop with Anshu Varma at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 11 a.m. This is a free program for teens ages 11 to 18. Call, (989) 724-6796 for more information.

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 201 N. Second St., Harrisville will present a free

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Letters

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the family come and go, playing in the yard close by but never including them, causing them to bark for attention that they still do not receive.

Even worse, they are left out all night to smell and hear, but never see, the night creatures that pass by close enough to frighten them so badly that their barking turns into a terrified frenzy of panicked howling that awakens all neighbors residing in the area with heart pounding concern for the animals' safety, or, more likely, just flat out irritation.

So, as I lie here listening to the beautiful birds singing to welcome another day, I reflect on another sleepless night of dog barking and frustration. I ask you which kind of pet owner are you?

Susan Calder
Harrisville

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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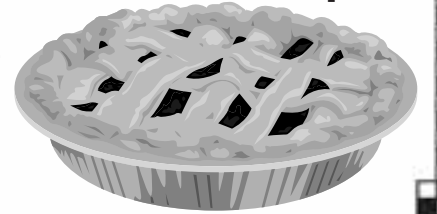
**Come Party with
Richard "The Dogman" Peterson
At the B.C. Bar
Saturday, June 23, 9 p.m. till?
No Cover Charge**



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**Log Cabin Day
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**Harrisville Lions Club
ANNUAL DUCK RACE**

Race begins at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 7, 2012 at the Harrisville Mill Pond

Tickets (\$3 each) are available from Harrisville Lions Club members and at the Lions Ttables located at the Flour Garden and Mr. Ed's IGA in Harrisville.

(You do not need to be present to win)

Prizes include: First Place, \$500, Second Place \$300, Third Place \$150 and Many, Many More!

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Questions: Jeanne (810) 488-1652
e-mail: jmari1941@gmail.com (ACHFH in subject line)

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Donation: \$ _____

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or Individual Name: _____

Send To: Alcona County Chamber of Commerce
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Looking for Volunteers

The Alcona County Chamber of Commerce (formerly the Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce) and event committee members invite area residents to sign up for an all-events volunteer list that is being compiled. More volunteers are needed for all events and also for tasks in the chamber office. Anyone who is interested in volunteering for events, should e-mail the following address alconacountyvolunteer@gmail.com with name, e-mail address and phone number. For all other information, call the chamber office at (989) 724.5107 or e-mail alconacountychamber@gmail.com.

Knightscares

Children's book authors David Anthony and Charles David share their love for reading and writing with humor, storytelling, juggling and more on Tuesday, June 26 at 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. This blend of education, entertainment and good old-fashioned fun will inspire all ages to "Dream Big," which this year's Summer Reading theme. For more information, call (989) 724-6796. This activity is supported by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Region 19 — Kirtland Community College Foundation.

Super Crossword
 Answers

Up in the U.P.

Escanaba-based historian Bill Jamerson will perform a program of songs and stories about the Upper Peninsula at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library on Friday, June 29 at 2 p.m. With guitar in hand, Jamerson tells stories and performs original songs about iron miners, schooners, ski jumpers, pasties, thimble berries and Finnish people. The songs range from heart-warming ballads to foot-stomping jigs and will appeal to both children and adults. This program is scheduled to be outdoors. Those planning to attend should bring lawn chairs or blankets. If it rains, the event will move inside. For more information, call (989) 724-6796 or visit www.billjamerson.com.

Away at School

Phebie Mier of Harrisville was named to the dean's list at Eastern Michigan University for the 2012 spring semester. She is pursuing a degree in political science and pre-law. She will graduate in 2013 and plans on attending law school. She is the daughter of Naomi and Andrew Cox of Harrisville.

Shannon McNichols of Harrisville graduated Magna Cum Laude from Ithaca College in Ithaca N.Y. on May 20. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in clinical health studies. During her undergraduate studies, McNichols was named to the dean's list each semester and was inducted into the Ithaca College Oracle Honor Society, the Alpha Eta National Allied Health Honor Society and the Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society. She also played on the Ithaca College soccer team and was a founding member of the Ithaca College cross country ski club. McNichols is continuing her studies at Ithaca College toward a doctorate of physical therapy.



Shannon McNichols

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, June 25—Goulash, wax beans, tossed salad, garlic toast, fruit and a cookie.
- Tuesday, June 26—Bar-

becued pork on a bun, potato Lynonnais, green beans, tossed salad and fruit.

- Wednesday, June 27—Herb chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, stewed tomatoes, red fluff salad and fruit.

- Thursday, June 28—Meat and cheese pizza, tossed salad, raw vegetables with dip and fruit.

- Friday, June 29—Fish almondine, spudsters, corn, coleslaw and fruit.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Business Recognition

The American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA) has recognized Michaele Rioux as a 2012 recipient of the ACHCA Facility Leadership Award. She is the administrator of Lincoln Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Community in Lincoln. The Facility Leadership Award is made possible with the support of eHealthData-Solutions. It is based on three years of skilled nursing facility survey data. The areas of excellence the facility exhibits includes three years of performance on the health survey, fire (life safety) survey, complaint surveys and improvement in the last two quarters of the reported quality measures.

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ditions helped turn this into an unpredictable, fast-growing fire. However, we're grateful that we've achieved containment without loss of life or injury to any fire fighters or citizens."

O'Neill praised the many agencies and organizations that provided tremendous

personnel (of which 19 are overhead personnel) remain on the Duck Lake Fire. Crews plan to:

- Grid for hot spots and mop up 200 feet inside the fire line;
- Prepare for timber salvage; and
- Assess ORV trails for

ages all residents and visitors in all parts of the state to exercise caution with open burning and use of fireworks during this high fire-danger season to minimize the possibility of more wildfires. For wildfire prevention tips, visit www.michigan.gov/-preventwildfires.



This Black Hawk helicopter was one of the many tools used in suppressing the Duck Lake fire in the eastern Upper Peninsula. *Photo courtesy of the Michigan DNR.*

help in battling the blaze or supporting fire crews. These include the Michigan National Guard, Michigan State Police, Michigan State Police Emergency Management, Luce County Sheriff's Department, Luce County Emergency Management, Chippewa County Sheriff's Department, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, Wisconsin DNR, Minnesota DNR, American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Beartown and UPCAP (211).

In all, there were 141 properties within the perimeter of the fire. Of those, a total of 136 structures were lost (with a breakdown as follows):

- 49 homes/cabins (including a store and a motel)
 - 23 garages
 - 38 sheds/outbuildings
 - 26 campers
- As of last week a total of 57

damage and mitigation.

The DNR reported that although all roads in the fire area are now open to the public, the Two-Hearted ORV trail is closed indefinitely east of County Road 414 due to fire damage to trails and safety signs.

A special note about area tourism and businesses: The DNR reminds the public that the Tahquamenon Falls/Paradise, Mich. area is open for business.

With 100-percent containment on the Duck Lake fire, campgrounds, state parks, resorts and other businesses throughout the region and the Upper Peninsula are open and eager to welcome tourists. While visitors are asked to stay clear of ongoing fire-monitoring efforts, the rest of the U.P. stands ready to offer up Pure Michigan vacation memories.

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Fire-wise landscaping techniques protect rural homes from wildfire

Homeowners with properties in heavily-wooded or rural areas of Michigan are advised by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that implementing several preventive landscaping techniques can help minimize property loss in the event of a wildfire.

Known nationally as "Fire-wise" landscaping, the preventive measures include such things as leaving at least a 30-foot open-space buffer between the home and tree line, and pruning back any overhanging or low-hanging branches.

"Building your home among the pine trees can be part of the allure of living up north, but doing so may actually put your property in

jeopardy," said DNR fire prevention specialist Paul Kollmeyer. "Firewise landscaping techniques enhance the value and appeal of a home, while serving to protect your investment."

Within 30 feet of a structure (at a minimum), homeowners should:

- Reduce and/or eliminate hazardous evergreen trees, such as pines and spruce, that have limbs hanging to the ground
- Remove small trees, household debris, brush and ground fuels (such as leaves and pine needles).
- Store firewood away from the house and clear vegetation at least 10 feet away

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can apply rules and strategies and attack it, but it will change and you have to adjust and be versatile.”

Which is what the incident command system (ICS) is designed for, according to MacNeill. He explained that once a wild fire is underway, a “short team” – a predetermined team set up to handle an incident – is assigned to the location which will take over command of the fire and will put into effect an ICS which includes a multitude of resources, personnel and equipment.

This team is trained and skilled in fire science, which MacNeill explained, takes various factors including weather conditions, wind direction and type of fuel (ground cover, tree variety, etc.) and uses them to predict how the fire will react and where it will spread.

“The Duck Lake fire burned hot and fast. After the lightning strike on May 23 it made its escape and major run on May 24. Our biggest (focus) was to get people (in the path of the fire and on its flanks) evacuated,” MacNeill said. “Our focus was (and is always) life, limb and property.”

MacNeill explained that even though he's spent 30 years as a professional fire fighter, he thinks fire is good. “Fire is a normal part of Mother Nature,” he said. However, keeping man-made fires in check is one of his responsibilities. He and his colleagues across the state constantly monitor weather on a daily basis to watch for probability of ignition (PIG) which is driven by temperature, relative humidity and wind speed/direction. “That's why burn permits may be issued one day and not the next – PIG,” MacNeill said. “In the Duck Lake fire PIG was 100 percent when it started.”

It spread quickly and burned hot, according to MacNeill because the fuel bed (undergrowth) was thick – the thicker it is the longer and hotter it burns. “For as bad

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As division supervisor Roger MacNeill (center) conducts a briefing and assigns tasks at the beginning of the day to the crew under his supervision. Photo courtesy of the Michigan DNR.

as it (the fire) was, it (fire suppression) went very smoothly. It was very well organized and orchestrated – in our eyes,” MacNeill said. “No lives were lost and there were no major injuries to fire fighters.”

At the height of fire suppression efforts, MacNeill explained there were approximately 200-250 professional and volunteer fire fighters, plus support crew and a multitude of assistance from state and county law enforcement, emergency management personnel, emergency medical personnel, American Red Cross and The Salvation Army.

His day typically began with a 5:30 a.m. briefing of what happened the night before, daily objectives, and an incident action plan for the day. He then met with his crews to conduct another briefing and present assignments. “After that my job was to get them the tools they needed to do their job effectively and efficiently and manage them and – of course, to defend life, limb and property,” MacNeill said.

Sometimes defending property was a challenge because they came across buildings that weren't located on the county plat (property map). “We would try to prep (there area around the building) if there was time,” MacNeill said. “When we did come across cabins or other buildings we could tell if the property owner used Firewise (landscaping) guidelines. Usually, those buildings survived. Firewise works.” (See related story on page 5.)

He explained that when a forest fire passes structures it burns everything around it and moves on. The structure may not burn until after the fire is past because sparks might land on the roof, a wood pile next to the house or it may ignite something else near the home – then the structure will burn. “We were bringing in equipment to work on structure fires when we could...” MacNeill said.

In talking about the Duck Lake fire, and other wild fires in general, he explained that contrary to popular belief, fire fighters don't see much evidence of wildlife that has perished. Other than a few slow moving reptiles – deer, bear and other animals move out ahead of the fire. In fact, does will go back into a burned

area to give birth because they know that is the safest place in the forest – all the predators have moved out. And, typically, fire crews will come across black bear along the fire lines because they are curious.

Michigan isn't the only place MacNeill has been able to practice his skills. Over the last 20 years or so, he has traveled to New Mexico, Texas, Idaho, Washington, Colorado, Montana, Oregon, Georgia, Florida and Canada to work fire suppression. Something he is always ready for with a pre-packed bag.

He takes vacation time to teach fire suppression at Northern Michigan University in Marquette, Mich. where he will take students to Florida in early March. During his career with the DNR, MacNeill also trained state fire officers from 1996-2000.

When he isn't traveling to fight fires, MacNeill manages the snowmobile trails in Alcona and Iosco counties and works with local groups as the administrator for the maintenance and development of new trails. He assists with the state Off Road Vehicle (ORV) program and is the administrative point person for local ORV groups. He maintains all state fire suppression equipment and provides input to engineers who are designing and building fire suppression equipment. Not only is he available for in-state and out-of-state assignments, he covers other districts for fire officers who might be on assignment elsewhere.

MacNeill administers state and federal grant funds for local departments. He maintains office hours at the Lincoln field office, provides wildlife seals for bear, bobcat, otter and other animals and goes on wildlife calls. He conducts fire prevention programs and is available to assist all fire departments. MacNeill also works with five key men at the field office – Rodney Cordes, Tom Keerl, Paul Kramer, Danny Stewart and Danny Klukowski.

“No one fire fighter makes a difference,” MacNeill said. “It is a team effort. The team...for the state it's the fire officer and the key men...who work with the team of volunteer fire fighters – that is what makes it a success.”

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Planning Ahead

Dear Planning,
 An ethical will can be a valuable complement to your legal will, as well as a won-

derful gift to your family or other loved ones. Here's what you should know along with some tips to help you make one.

Unlike a last will and testament, which tells your loved ones (and the legal world) what you want them to have, an ethical will (which is not a legal document) tells them what you want them to know.

With an ethical will, you can share with your loved ones your feelings, wishes, regrets, gratitude and advice, as well as explain the elements in your legal will, give information about the money

and possessions you're passing on, and anything else you want to communicate.

Usually no more than a few pages, the process of writing an ethical will can actually be quite satisfying. But be careful that you don't contradict any aspects of your legal will or estate plan.

And, if you're having trouble with the writing, there are professional ethical will writers you can hire to help you, or you can speak your wishes into a voice recorder or have someone video record you.

To craft an ethical will, start by jotting down some notes about what's really important to you and what you want your loved ones to know. Take your time, and remember that you're not trying to write for the Pulitzer Prize. The letter is a gift of yourself, written for those you love.

After you've gathered your thoughts you can start drafting your letter. You can also revise or rewrite it anytime you want. And for safekeep-

ing, keep your ethical will with your other legal documents in a secure location but be sure your executor has access to it. A safe-deposit box or fireproof filing cabinet or safe in your home is a good choice.

If you need some help, there are lots of resources available like ethicalwill.com which offers practical information, examples of ethical wills, and lots of materials you can purchase to help you put one together, including the second edition of "Ethical Wills: Putting Your Values on Paper" by Dr. Barry Baines for \$16.

Another good resource is Personal Legacy Advisors (personallegacyadvisors.com), a company that offers coaching, editing, writing and/or audio or video recording ethical wills. Prices will vary depending on the services you choose. They also sell a do-it-yourself guidebook "The Wealth of Your Life: A Step-by-Step Guide for Creating Your Ethical Will" by Susan



Turnbull for \$20. You can also find help through the Association of Personal Historians. This is a trade association that offers a nationwide directory of professionals who can help you create an ethical will, memoir or a personal history. Visit personalhistorians.org to find help in your area.

You also need to know that many people choose to share their ethical will with their family and friends while they're still living so they can enjoy their reactions, while others think it should be read after their death. It's up to you.

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Late registration is open from July 3-9.
The price is \$50/player.

Questions? Call Christie Thomas at 736-7231.



Local Notes

Continued from page 5 Offshore Grand Prix

There will be an Offshore Power Boat Race in Tawas Bay this weekend. Racing teams will arrive on Friday, June 22 where music and refreshments will be available from 5-9 p.m. at the Harbor Park in East Tawas. On Saturday, June 23 racers will test and tune during the day in Tawas Bay. Music and refreshments will be available at the park from noon to 10 p.m. Sunday, June 24 is race day with races beginning at noon.

The race course will be a basic oval on Tawas Bay stretching from the East Tawas State Dock down to the city pier in Tawas City. Competitors will include different classes of boats ranging from 24 foot to 50 foot and engine sizes from outboard, inboard and turbine. Race speeds will range from 75 to 200 miles per hour. Viewing from the shore will be available along that stretch of beach and also at the Tawas State Park Campground. If attending by boat, organizers encourage boat-

NOTICE
The Haynes Township July meeting will be the second Wednesday of the month due to the holiday.
Sharon Schefferly
Haynes Township Clerk

ers to be mindful of the U.S. Coast Guard and support craft that will ensure the race course is clear for racing boats. The Heritage Coast Sailing and Rowing Co., a nonprofit organization, is sponsoring the event, in conjunction with the Offshore Powerboat Association, the sanctioning organization.

Summer Solstice Celebration

Art in the Loft will feature a chef and art historian to help welcome the summer season with a brand new event billed as the "Summer Solstice Celebration." Maite Gomez-Rejon is a classically trained private chef who has cooked for bands like Aerosmith and KISS and celebrities like Bruce Willis. She is also an art historian who has worked in the education departments of such museums as the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Getty Villa. In 2007, she founded "Artbites," combining her passion for art and culinary history with hands-on cooking instruction which she teaches at museums across the country.

On Friday, June 22, Gomez-Rejon will team up with several of Alpena's culinary artists to produce a one-of-a-kind dinner party called "Jazzing it Up at the Loft." Guests will enjoy learning about the evolution of jazz, through art, food and music from Africa to the American

South and then travelling up north to the dinner clubs of Harlem during the Jazz Age. Just as jazz was created by improvisation and blending of styles, the dinner will show off the "jazz stylings" of each of the featured chefs as they interpret the characteristic ingredients, flavors and dishes of various cultures and eras. Tickets for the event are \$50. Group tickets for four to eight people may be purchased for those who wish to be seated at the same table.

The Summer Solstice Celebration will continue on Saturday, June 22 with a variety of fun in the sun, family-friendly events, all of which are free or low cost. These include a morning yoga session of "sun salutations" at the Loft led by Bay Athletic Club, and a sun-flower art project for all ages. At 11 a.m. Gomez-Rejon will teach a class called "Unswept Floors," using food as an inspiration for mosaic floors. The Summer Solstice Celebration is intended to mark the culmination of Art in the Loft's 2012 Membership Campaign. The annual goal of the campaign is \$24,725. Approximately half has been raised so far. Memberships and Sponsorships are available at a variety of levels for individuals, families, students and businesses. More information and tickets are available at Art in the Loft by calling (989)356-4877 or online at www.artintheloft.org.

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from LP tanks.

- Plant short green grass and keep it watered and mowed (grass lawns act as a first-rate fuel break).
 - Prune lower tree limbs to a height of six to 10 feet, and space trees so crowns are 10 to 16 feet apart (prevents fire from jumping through the crowns and encourages trees to grow larger, faster).
 - Remove small shrubs, scrub growth, ground litter and dead trees.
 - Store gasoline, paint, solvents and other highly flammable items in a cool, well-ventilated area away from other structures.
 - Leave at least 10 feet between any outbuildings.
- Expanding the buffer to 100 feet makes these tactics even more effective and may protect a structure from wildfire even without fire fighter intervention.

Within three feet of a structure (at a minimum), homeowners are advised to maintain an area free of combustible materials to prevent flames from having direct contact with the home. Gravel, stone chips, concrete or mineral soil work well next to the home. Stone, brick or masonry walls that are free of vegetation can also serve as effective firebreaks.

"As we unfortunately have seen with the ongoing Duck Lake Fire in Luce County, the threat of wildfire is ever present in rural Michigan," Kollmeyer said. "However, we have seen examples within the fire perimeter of structures saved due to the use of these Firewise landscaping principles."

To learn more about using Firewise landscaping techniques, go online to www.firewise.org.

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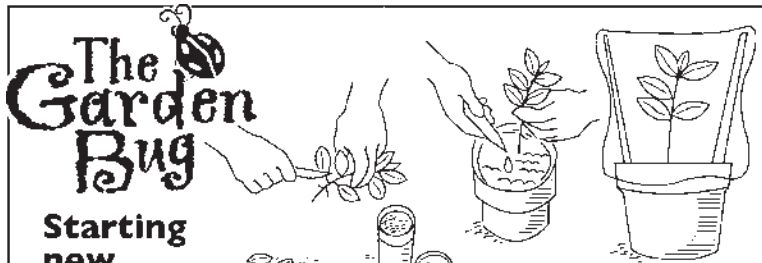
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Alcona school superintendent receives exemplary evaluation

The Alcona Community Schools Board of Education, conducted a performance evaluation of superintendent Shawn Thornton which resulted in an exemplary rating for Thornton, which is the highest possible rank.

The board reviewed Thornton's performance in 19 categories, all with possible rankings from 1 (ineffective) to 4 (highly effective). These category rankings were then used to determine the overall rankings.

After approving the exemplary ranking, the board approved a motion to extend the superintendent's contract by one year, through June 30, 2015. "We are glad to

approve of this evaluation, and extend Shawn's contact for another year. We feel her strengths include leadership and management, decision-making, school finance and student growth and achievement," said Mark Feldhiser, president of the Alcona Board of Education.

"Shawn's evaluation showed high rankings in all categories. I have no doubt that she is the person to work with this board in accomplishing our goals."

In other business, the board approved the appointment of Daniel O'Connor as the kindergarten-12th grade assistant principal/athletic director, effective July 1.

O'Connor was formerly an English teacher and varsity girls basketball coach at the high school. According to Thornton and Feldhiser, he did very well in the interview process, noting the attributes that made O'Connor a great teacher and coach will enable him to succeed in this new position.

This is a new administrative alignment for Alcona School District which replaces the traditional elementary/secondary principal alignment. Terry Allison will remain the seventh through twelfth grade principal. The board also approved extending his contract through 2015.

I want to express my sincere thanks to my family and friends, who sent cards and those who attended my daughter's (Katherine McNeill) service. Your prayers and thoughtfulness brought me much comfort.
Verna Travis

State police conduct multi-county investigation into break-in thefts

The Michigan State Police Alpena and Gaylord posts are investigating a group of breaking and entering suspects that have been targeting ORVs, motorcycles and tools.

On June 11 at 12:30 a.m. while following up on a tip originating in their post area, Alpena troopers located a suspect at a residence in Wolverine, Mich. (Cheboygan County). The suspect had been towing a trailer allegedly loaded with ORVs. Troopers identified a possible owner for the ORVs and determined that their theft had not been discovered or reported.

An immediate joint and parallel investigation was initiated with the Gaylord post troopers. The troopers combined their information and linked the suspect to the unreported breaking and entering at the owner's pole barn in Otsego County.

A further search of the Wolverine, Mich. location resulted in the recovery of two additional stolen motorcycles and numerous articles of stolen property. Most of this property appears to have been stolen from locations in Alcona County. Investigators have connected the group to at least one incident investigated by the Alcona County Sheriff's office and will continue to provide information that may assist with unsolved crimes in that area.

Investigators are also attempting to identify owners of recovered stolen property. It appears that, according to a press release from the state police, the suspects dispose of stolen items quickly, so most of the property recovered during this investigation may have been stolen within the last week. Since some of these incidents involve vacation properties and

unoccupied storage buildings, the thefts may not have yet been discovered or reported to police.

So far three subjects will be charged in this incident and additional arrests are possible. Prosecution may occur in several counties and will require coordination with the originating police agencies for final dispositions.

If anyone has information regarding these incidents, they are encouraged to contact the Michigan State Police at (989) 354-1401 or the Alcona County Sheriff's Department at (989) 724-6172.

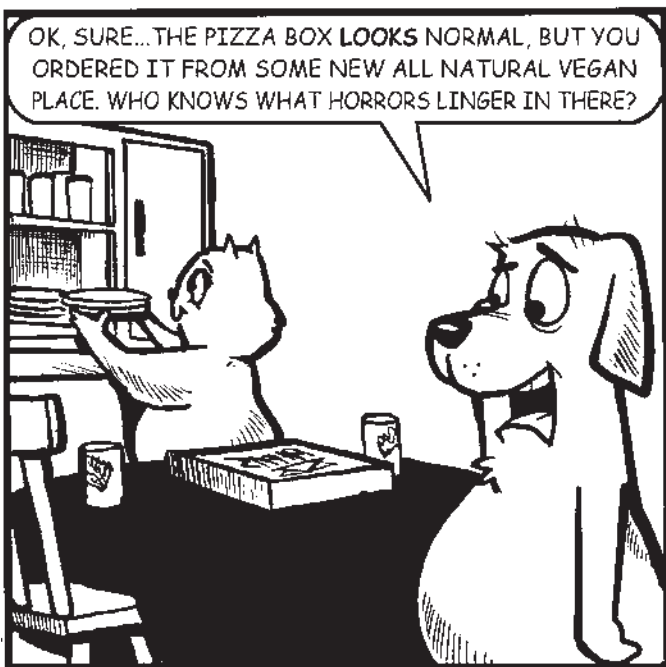
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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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Organization Notes

League of Women Voters

The League of Women Voters of Alpena County registered approximately 300 young voters in a four county area during May and early June. League members visited 10 schools in Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties, traveling more than 1,800 miles and logging more than 100 hours in an effort to promote youth participation in the Democratic process.

With the cooperation of school administrative officials and teachers, league teams visited traditional high schools, alternative schools and Alpena Community College (ACC), resulting in a 53 percent registration rate of those eligible to vote in the high schools and a 12 percent registration rate at ACC.

"Parents, teachers, secretaries, principals and superintendents were extremely supportive and appreciative of our effort, and the stu-

dents were excited about the opportunity," said Judi Stillion, league coordinator for the project. "We will follow up with reminders to students who gave us their e-mail addresses and encourage them to vote in the August primary and the November election."

The registration drive was made possible by a grant from the National League of Women Voters. Funds were used, primarily, to pay for mileage, supplies and informational materials.

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government through education and advocacy. The league does not endorse or oppose candidates or parties. Membership is open to all interested citizens, male and female. For further information or to join the League of Women Voters, visit the website at lwvalpenacounty.org.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of June 11-17, 2012

81 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 4 Arrests; 1 Warrant; 2 Operating While Intoxicated and 1 Bond Violation.

Complaint Statistic

Malicious Destr. of Prop.	5	Traffic	8
Car/Deer	7	Property Damage	2
Agency Assist	1	False Alarm	2
Burglary	5	Operating While Intoxicated	2
Mental	1	Domestic	4
Animal/Dog	7	Bond Violation	1
Neighbor Trouble	1	911 Hang Up	1
Fire	1	VIN Inspection	1
Miscellaneous	13	Threats/Harassment	3
Larceny	4	Assault & Battery	1
Warrants	1	Found Property	1
Well Being Check	1	Gunshots Heard	1
Suspicious Events/Person	3	Noise Complaint	1
Littering	1	Medical	2

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Bill Makela of Harrisville was the winner of the Dragonfly Art Gallery's Father's Day drawing. Isabelle Renaud of the gallery in Harrisville presented Makela with the painting donated by artist Gary R. McKenney of Harrisville. *Courtesy photo by Casey Makela.*

Organization Notes

River Aux Sables Chapter DAR

Mike and Mary VanLiew, 17th century French fur trader re-enactors presented a program for the members of the River Aux Sables Daughters of the American Revolution Chapter on June 12 in Tawas City, Mich. They portrayed the fur traders who came out of Montreal, Canada in the early spring and traveled in master canoes to Sault Saint Marie with trade goods such as mirrors, scissors, knives, tobacco and various beads. The traders returned in the

late fall with their canoes loaded with up to 8,000 pounds of furs from trading with the Indians in Michigan.

Members of the chapter learned that the men ate a lot of dried corn mixed with bear grease. The VanLiews have been presenting programs to children and adults for over 30 years. This program is the last one the chapter will have until it meets again in September.

The River Aux Sables Chapter is a patriotic, volun-

teer, women's organization. Each member descends from a person who served in or supported the American Revolution. In order to join the Daughters of the American Revolution, each lady must prove with birth, marriage and death documents every generation back to the patriot.

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By Kathryn Fritz Kniep

Columnist

Elbow, ventricle, appendectomy. Virginia, Vadalia, septicemia. Ear, nose, throat. Have I offended you yet? I'll say this for politicians everywhere; every time I think they've reached the absolute pinnacle of absurdity, they raise the bar.

I'm referring of course to the latest foray in the movement to make Michigan look silly, the banning of two Democratic congresswomen from speaking on the House floor for "failing to maintain decorum" during debate on a package of abortion-related bills.

Please understand, dear readers, that this is not a column about the pros and cons of abortion. This particular package of bills has some issues I don't agree with and some that seem like lesser evils to me. This column is about speech and the tendency of male powers-that-be to huff and puff about "decorum" when we women get uppity.

Years ago, back at the old Alcona Almanac, we had a cartoon pinned up on the staff bulletin board. For reasons we couldn't exactly explain, it made all of us laugh. The drawing showed a young mom, sitting on the couch offering a cup of tea to a visiting clergyman. In the foreground, a toddler marched happily around the coffee table, carrying a flag, a cat draped over his arm, chanting, "Lady's boobies...lady's boobies."

Like I said, I can't explain why it was funny, it just was.

And ever since this week's story about the abortion bill debate broke, I've been thinking of that cartoon.

For those of you who missed them, let's replay the facts: Rep. Lisa Brown (D), who represents the 39th District in the area of West Bloomfield, spoke during debate on the bills. Brown, who is Jewish, said she disagreed with a proposed ban on abortions after 20 weeks with no exclusion for rape, incest, or the health of the mother. Brown said she felt strongly about this issue in particular because her religion supports abortion at any time when the mother's life is in danger. She ended her speech with the statement, "I'm flattered that you're all so interested in my vagina, but no means no."

On the same day (last Wednesday) State Rep. Barb Byrum (D-Onondaga), was also banned from speaking when she shouted at the presiding officer after repeated requests to speak in order to introduce a bill which would ban vasectomy unless it was necessary to save a man's life. The word she shouted, twice? "Vasectomy." As is often the case in these scenarios, the reasons given for the ban have changed daily.

Initially, Rep. Mike Callton (R-Nashville), told the Detroit News what Brown said, "Was offensive. It was so offensive; I don't even want to say it in front of women. I would not say that in mixed company." The News also reported that "Majority Floor Leader Jim Stamas (R-Midland), determined Brown's comments violated the decorum of the House, said Ari Adler, spokesman for the Republican majority." Both men implied that the violation revolved around the words the women used.

A day later, after women everywhere had snorted derisively, Stamas changed his statement to say that the lack of decorum came from the fact that Brown's statement was "a veiled reference to rape." Initially, the ban was indefinite. On Saturday (after the universal female snort) it changed to a one-day ban.

Either way, this terminology might offend both gentlemen as well: Bull-hocky.

The fact is, men who prefer power have silenced women for years on the spurious basis of such things as decorum, protecting mixed company and- most insulting of all - protecting us from ourselves. This has been a tough year for women's issues (dare

Puttin' On The Fritz

I suggest that political men only become interested in women's issues during election years?) and women are precisely the people who ought to be speaking to laws of this nature. Handy that they chose to act out (in the opinion of male, Republican congressmen) just at this particular time.

But here's the real offensive part: In virtually every state legislature, it would seem, and certainly in the United State Congress, politicians just aren't getting it. People are sick to death of this foolishness.

We do not want to experience any more strategic ridiculousness nor any more election year manipulation. We (that would be those of us out here west of the Potomac) have real problems. We are dealing with unemployment; loss of homes, hunger, medical crises and sky-rocketing crime.

Gentlemen (and ladies) of the Congress: Instead of farting around creating tempests to aid in your jockeying for re-election, try doing the hard work, learning about real life in the real world and making some decisions that help your constituency. That is, once you get over the vapors at the recent shock to your sense of decorum.

I spent years teaching my daughter that the noun "vagina" was the proper name for that particular body part and not cause for embarrassment. "Everyone," I told her as matter-of-factly as I could, "either has one or they don't". Decorum is admirable - integrity is more so. For Pete's sake, guys, grow up.

(Author's note: The parade to run me out of town will form at the stoplight at 8 on Thursday morning. Please bring your own feathers, complimentary tar will probably be provided, along with a rail. Refreshments are still up in the air. In the meantime, if you have issues with my opinion, write a letter. Unlike our alleged representatives, I welcome the debate.)

(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 30 years. She has published fiction, non-fiction and poetry in several venues. She and her husband, Art, live in Harrisville.)



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A backyard pond romance

By Mary Weber
Columnist

Every spring and summer the Weber Mosquito Farm in Mikado accepts a number of visitors. Some are close friends and family we have invited to spend a few days to get away from the hustle and bustle of city life downstate. Other visitors wander in on their own four feet to raid whatever they can from the bird feeders, or perhaps grab a bite at the pond, which never seems to have a shortage of available fresh, still attached, frog legs.

About the fourth week in May we start looking for a visit from an annual summer pond resident, a snapping turtle we've affectionately named Nessy.

We noticed Nessy coming to our pond shortly after our move to Alcona County while my husband, Willy was busy cleaning out the overgrown pond just a few feet from our porch.

The very next day it rained hard. When the rain finally slowed to a slight drizzle we noticed movement in the two feet of brown mud that lay on the bottom of the pond. Covered in muck, a massive creature made its way slowly through the sludge. Nearly 20 inches in length and about as big around as a garbage can lid, its prehistoric shape, long neck and ridged spiked tail reminded us of scratchy photos and folklore we've seen of the Loch Ness monster and we began affectionately calling the snapper 'Nessy'.

By coincidence, Willy's mother's name just happens to be Agnes, but growing up her parents and siblings called her 'Ness.' My mother-in-law didn't seem to mind at all when we started calling a snapping turtle 'Nessy.'

'Nessy' the turtle disappeared from sight when Wil began the process of filling the pond again with fresh water. We thought perhaps the lack of vegetation as well as the departure of many frogs running from Willy's dredging techniques, may have deterred the turtle from ever showing up in the pond again.

By the next spring, life began returning to the pond. Ice had barely melted at the pond's edge when we noticed ducks wading through the water. As temperatures warmed, tadpoles began swimming and soon after

frogs began their nightly symphony of croaks, bleaks and garumphs.

On a warm day around the end of May while strolling around the still fairly clear pond, my darling Wil thought for sure he saw a fish. Willy, still used to cement city life was enormously happy to think a fish was swimming in his backyard, but was deeply concerned the pond would not provide enough food for the fish to eat. Truthfully, I'm not sure Wil even knew what fish ate, having never been interested in fish in any way in his entire life -- even fish fried in batter didn't interest Wil.

He gave food for the fish some thought and one day while feeding our dogs, Wil decided it wouldn't hurt to



Nessy, a female snapping turtle, has taken up annual residence in the Weber's pond. Photos by Mary Weber.

throw a cup of dog food into the pond for the fish to eat. I wasn't surprised when no fish came running up to the water's surface to dine on the floating kibble.

I was, however, completely stunned when out of the new growing reeds came 'Nessy,' the snapping turtle, chomping on every piece of dog chow she could find.

The next day at five o'clock Wil fed the dogs and again threw a cup of food out in the pond. Sure enough, 'Ness' came back to get her fill.

A few weeks of that went by when we noticed another somewhat larger snapper had joined Nessy in the pond. I mentioned to Wil maybe we were contributing a little too much free kibble and for the sake of overpopulating the pond with snappers, should discontinue the practice.

Still, the larger turtle hung around. Since Wil's mom had no objection to us calling the first turtle Nessy, we started calling the slightly larger

Alcona's Backyard

turtle Clarence after Wil's dad.

The courtship of Clarence and Nessy in our backyard pond has continued now for several years. It's love reptile style as the two turtles begin their courtship from opposite sides of the pond in June and every day seem to swim a little closer together until they come nose to nose before descending deep into the water out of sight. Their love affair quite often reminds me of old black and white movies

when the curtain would fade to black and viewer's knew love ensued without the graphic R rating.

Most snapping turtle breeding activity occurs in the spring and early summer. Female snappers may remain fertile for several years after mating as they store sperm. Fortunately for Clarence, Nessy doesn't seem to mind having her gentleman caller nearby.

Nesting takes place from late May into July when the female snappers make their way out of the water to find just the right moist sand or soil to dig a nest with her back legs. She'll then deposit 10 to almost a hundred ping pong ball spherical eggs and cover the eggs with loose soil. Many female snappers are killed accidentally by cars while crossing roads in their effort to find a nesting site.

Many of the eggs never survive either as predators of almost every shape and size will seek out the turtle egg nests. The hatchlings that do survive will dig their way to the surface in 55 to 125 days. The small hatchlings are black, one to one and a half inches long with very long tails.

Wil and I were delighted last August to witness the emergence of 10 baby snapping turtles from their shallow nest and make their way through grass 12 feet to the water's edge.

Despite the baby turtles' endurance, their instinct to hide or play dead and the ability to give off a musky odor, very few hatchlings survive to adulthood. This explains why our pond is not



New snapping turtle hatchlings make their way through grass toward the Weber's pond.

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Pool League

The Alcona Women's Pool Leagues' 2011-2012 season ended with a banquet at the Twin Lakes Masonic building in Lincoln on May 19. A Swiss steak dinner was prepared and served by Lincoln Chapter No. 184, Order of the Eastern Star.

Awards given out that evening for league play went to: First place, Mikado American Legion -- Linda Curtis, Deb Redwood, Gina Broadwood, Vickey Vollmers, Connie Putnam, Pam Idema and Faye Larson.

Second place went to Mikado Tavern -- Rita Sands, Kathy Arndt, Penny Holmes, Erica Melick, Carrie Kaiser

and Tonya Rifembark.

Third place went to Back Alley Bar, Harrisville -- Vi Schmidt, Jill Gonyea, Rose Ann Hutchinson, Sue Schmitz, Jill Deller and Kristen Gonyea.

League year end play-off winner was the Mikado American Legion.

Other awards were given out for the individual tournaments held throughout the year. Doubles first place winners were Carrie Kaiser and Rita Sands, both from the Mikado Tavern. Second place winners were Sabrina Domine and Vickie Parkhill from the Glennie Tavern.

Luck of the draw tournament

winners was first place, Deb Redwood of Mikado American Legion and Sabrina Domine, Glennie Tavern. Second place Carrie Kaiser, Mikado Tavern and Maggie Hunter, Glennie Tavern.

Singles tournament first place went to Rita Sands, Mikado Tavern and second place went to Liz Ranchetto from Oasis Bar.

An eight-ball on the break trophy was received by Karen Bard from Oasis Bar. Table run trophies were awarded to Deb Redwood of Mikado American Legion who had two runs for the season and Rita Sands had one run.



Mikado American Legion team of the Alcona Women's Pool League won first in league play and the year end play-offs. Pictured are: Pam Idema, Connie Putnam, Linda Curtis, Deb Redwood, Vickey Vollmers, Gina Broadwood and Faye Larson. *Courtesy photo.*



Second place for league play in the Alcona Women's Pool League was Mikado Tavern. Pictured are: Penny Holmes, Rita Sands, sponsor Leroy Sands, Erica Melick and Kathy Arndt. Missing from picture is Carrie Kaiser and Tonya Rifembark. *Courtesy photo.*



Third place winners for the Alcona Women's Pool League was the Back Alley Bar. Pictured are: Kristen Gonyea, Rose Ann Hutchinson, Jill Gonyea and Vi Schmidt. Missing from the photo is Sue Schmitz and Jill Deller. *Courtesy photo.*

NASCAR REPORT

Pupil beats teacher

NASCAR This Week
By Monte Dutton

Not only did the season's 14th race come down to a battle between two drivers — Joey Logano and Mark Martin — separated in age by 31 years, but they are also the Sprint Cup Series' best example of a pupil and a teacher. Martin, 53, was raving about Logano, 22, when the latter was 12.

In a sense, Logano nudged his biggest fan out of the way. He won at Pocono Raceway by what Martin himself referred to as the old "bump and run."

"It has been acceptable in this racing for a long time," Martin said. "It's not how I would have done it, but certainly, if I'd have had a fast-enough car, he would have gotten a return. But I couldn't quite keep up with him." As Charlie Robison sang, "These are desperate times." The general perception in the sport is that Logano — and in a sense, this seems ridiculous given his still-tender age — is under some pressure to keep his ride once the season ends.

Whether that's true or not — or whether winning remedies whatever the situation truly is — a victory has to help. Beforehand, the worry was whether or not Logano could remain at Joe Gibbs Racing. Afterward, talk drifted ever so slightly in the direction of whether or not

Logano wants to stay there. All of a sudden, he's the one with options.

"No, I haven't been informed on where I stand for next year yet, so it's all up in the air," Logano said. "Obviously, winning a race means a lot and it helps that out a ton. For sure, right now, my future is not set with anybody. You

need to go out there and win races, not like we always do, but to get this win means a lot.

"It's at a perfect time, and I think us teaming up with Jason (Ratcliff, his crew chief) this year has been a really big help for me, and able to make our whole team really work together really well, and it's paying off. My hope is to obviously stay with what I've got and keep working with Jason, but you never know. Those things go back and forth and switch around a lot, and all I can do is stay focused on my job, and that's driving the race car."

Now the ball's back in team president J.D. Gibbs' court, and it might not be a bad idea to come up with a new contract offer. The price tag may be rising.

Monte Dutton covers motorsports for The Gaston (N.C.) Gazette. E-mail Monte at nascarthisthisweek@yahoo.com.

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Joey Logano passed Mark Martin with a late "bump and run" to capture the Pocono 400, improving his chances to remain with Joe Gibbs Racing next season, and perhaps beyond. (John Clark/NASCAR This Week photo)

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overrun with snapping turtles galore.

We've had plenty of local folks offer to rid our pond of the rascally reptiles, as they can be quite aggressive if they feel threatened. Quite often I've reached into my daylily's that grow near the pond to pull out weeds and wonder if I'll keep all my fingers. I never know if Nessy has herself hidden behind the dense foliage. Mostly they just want the turtles for soup, but this is simply out of the question,

after all, we've named them and to us they are just part of our family.

According to University of Michigan educational website, snapping turtles (Chelydra serpentina) can live up to 30 years in the wild and 45 years in captivity. We do not keep our snappers captive and they are free to roam as far as they wish. There are times we wonder if it's the same turtles that we see every year in our pond, but the two have grown so used to us

wondering around them, they will almost come within a foot of us when we occasionally offer a dog cookie. Their calm behavior when we approach the pond makes us think they have grown used to us over the years and know we are not a threat.

One of the greatest pleasures we give houseguests visiting the Weber Mosquito Farm is the daily ritual of feeding the snappers a cup of kibble. Around 5 o'clock every evening, just about the same time we feed the dogs, one of the turtles will float to the surface and splash a little water to get our attention until someone throws out a handful of dog food.

Guests are always delighted and amazed at the sight and would rather see the turtles eat than attend

many of the fantastic events going on in the area. Perhaps it's because the snappers as we know them today have hardly changed from 215 million years ago when Proganochelys, the most primitive turtle known lived. It's rather like watching new age dinosaurs.

As our guests line up on the deck to watch the turtles, Willy and I can't help but feel we ought to be charging admission, or at least accepting donations for turtle chow.


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

NOTICE

The Greenbush Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on June 26, 2012 at 7 p.m. in the Greenbush Township Hall. Monty and Cheryl Ross, 4221 Buena Vista Drive, Greenbush is requesting a square footage variance to build an addition.

Pamela Milwrick
Greenbush ZBA Secretary

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Public input welcome on Kirtland's warbler management

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is currently seeking public input on Kirtland's warbler management in Michigan. The DNR will host a public meeting on Wednesday, June 27, at the Kirtland House on the Kirtland Community College campus, 10775 North St. Helen Road, in Roscommon, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The DNR is beginning to draft a Kirtland's warbler operational plan to direct future management of the bird and its habitat on state lands.

The Kirtland's warbler is one of the rarest members of the wood warbler family and is listed as a federally endangered species. Kirtland's warblers arrive in Michigan from the Bahamas between May 3 and May 20. They nest mostly in a few counties in Michigan's northern Lower and Upper peninsulas, with a few also nesting in Wisconsin and the province of Ontario. Nowhere else on earth have they been found to nest.

The Kirtland's warbler has very restrictive habitat requirements, preferring young stands of jack pine-dominated forest at least 80 acres in size, with trees between five and 20 feet tall where nests can be concealed on the ground in a mix of grasses and shrubs.

The majority of Kirtland's warbler nest sites are on public land. The DNR administers more than 50 percent of the nesting habitat the northern Lower Peninsula dedicated to the bird, with much of the rest being located within national forests. Nesting habitat is actively managed on a rotational basis mostly through logging and replanting or seeding, in order to maintain the precise habitat requirements needed by the bird. Habitat is also created by wildfire and natural seeding.

Many other wildlife species, such as the upland sandpiper, Eastern bluebird, white tailed deer, black bear and snowshoe hare also benefit from the same habitat the Kirtland's warbler requires. Another benefit of the intensive jack pine management is the reduced risk of wildfire, as a result of keeping the stands of jack pine young and, therefore, healthy.

"Understanding public feelings about Kirtland's warbler management is vital in this process," said DNR endangered species coordinator Dan Kennedy. "We really hope folks come out and attend this meeting and share their thoughts with us."

Those who are unable to attend the June 27 meeting at Kirtland Community College are invited to submit their ideas about Kirtland warbler management via e-mail to: DNR-wildlife@michigan.gov.

Calendar of Events

Continued from page 3
 movie "Courageous" at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Linda Knight (989) 739-9703.

My Brother's Hope Café-Take 2 will serve a free meal and offer free haircuts from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Raphael's Catholic Church, 2531 E. F-31, Mikdao. For more information contact Susan Armstrong (989) 724-6365.

SATURDAY, JUNE 23
 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.

Plane Fun! Kids age 11 to 15 are invited to build their own balsa plane at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from noon to 2 p.m. Registration and a \$2 materials fee required. Youth must have an adult accompany them due to sharp knives and glue. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

SUNDAY, JUNE 24
 Take a step back in time during Log Cabin Day at Bailey School, a one-room school situated in the woods near Lake Huron. Learn how students from the area spent their school days with this historical exhibit. The school, built in 1907 from Norway pine, is still furnished with items used during that period. An open house, hosted by the Alcona Historical Society, is from noon to 4 p.m. The school is situated in the grounds of Sturgeon Point Lighthouse, north of Harrisville. For more information, contact Arlene Good (989) 736-3151.

MONDAY, JUNE 25
 Two computers and WIFI will be available for seniors over 60 for use at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call, (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Walk in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Alpena Regional Medical Center's Community Health Department is hosting a safe sitter class from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the hospital auditorium. This program is for teens ages 11 to 13. Class size is limited. Registration fee is \$75. Participants will need to bring a sack lunch or purchase a lunch from the cafeteria. For more information or to register, call (989) 356-8124.

TUESDAY, JUNE 26
 There will be an Alcona County Commission on Aging board meeting at 10 a.m. at the Senior Center in Lincoln.

Two computers and WIFI will be available for seniors over 60 for use at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call, (989) 736-8879 for more information.

Walk in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St., from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Knitting Klub and Crochet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 10 a.m. to noon. All levels welcome. Call, (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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.

Kids' day at Lumberman's Monument starting at 1 p.m. Learn how to identify the tracks of local Michigan wildlife and how the different foot shapes help animals survive. Lumberman's Monument is located in the Huron-Manistee National Forest, 15 miles

west of Oscoda on River Rd., at the junction with Monument Rd. For more information, call (989) 362-8961.

The Harrisville Lady Lions will meet at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 N. State St. (US-23) at 5:30 p.m. RSVP to Fran Barber at fbarber@charter.net or (989) 739-8735.

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The Sunrise Garden Club will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library at 1 p.m. The guest

speaker will be Linda Brown from the Sunrise Side Master Gardeners of Tawas. She will present a beginners guide to growing orchids. Everyone is welcome to attend.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27
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Walk in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St., from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

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

The Yarn Guild will meet from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. All homemade items will be given to local groups in Alcona

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There will be class to assist with e-book devices other than Nook and Kindle at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library from 9:15 to 10 a.m. Call, (989) 724-6796 to reserve a space.








The Alcona County Library Board will meet at the Lincoln branch, 330 Traverse Bay Rd. at 6 p.m.

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

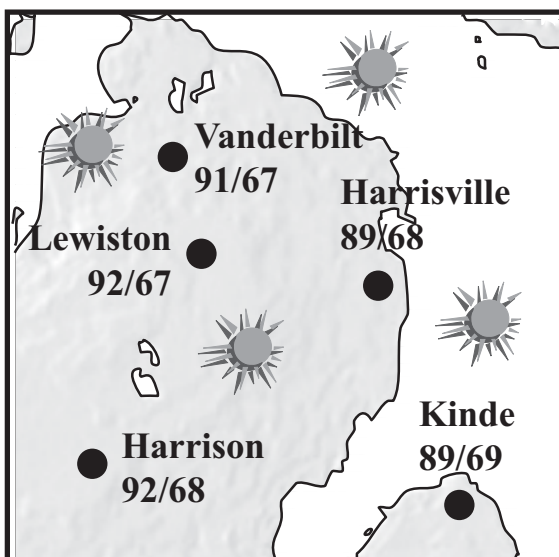
Alcona Review Weather Report

June 20, 2012

Seven Day Forecast

	WEDNESDAY Sunny High: 89 Low: 68
	THURSDAY Few Showers High: 75 Low: 59
	FRIDAY Mostly Sunny High: 70 Low: 58
	SATURDAY Partly Cloudy High: 71 Low: 59
	SUNDAY Mostly Sunny High: 68 Low: 57
	MONDAY Sunny High: 71 Low: 52
	TUESDAY Mostly Sunny High: 76 Low: 54

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast



Today we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 89°, humidity of 58%. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 93° set in 1988. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 40% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 68°. West wind 10 to 15 mph.

*Last Week's Almanac

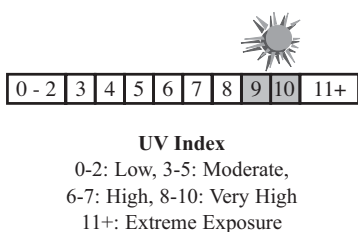
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Tuesday	77	47	73/48	0.00"
Wednesday	67	36	73/48	0.00"
Thursday	71	37	74/49	0.00"
Friday	81	53	74/49	0.00"
Saturday	85	55	74/49	0.01"
Sunday	80	58	74/49	1.04"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
First 6/26	Wednesday	5:47 a.m.	9:22 p.m.	6:49 a.m.	10:04 p.m.	
	Thursday	5:48 a.m.	9:23 p.m.	7:50 a.m.	10:39 p.m.	
	Friday	5:48 a.m.	9:23 p.m.	8:53 a.m.	11:10 p.m.	
	Saturday	5:48 a.m.	9:23 p.m.	9:59 a.m.	11:39 p.m.	
	Sunday	5:48 a.m.	9:23 p.m.	11:05 a.m.	Next Day	
Full 7/3	Monday	5:49 a.m.	9:23 p.m.	12:13 p.m.	12:06 a.m.	
	Tuesday	5:49 a.m.	9:23 p.m.	1:23 p.m.	12:33 a.m.	

Local UV Index



National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see mostly clear skies today, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with scattered thunderstorms Thursday and Friday, with the highest temperature of 99° in Boston, Mass. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 99° in Fredericksburg, Va. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 85° in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 114° in Bullhead City, Ariz.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	7:31 a.m.	11:00 p.m.
Venus	4:44 a.m.	7:25 p.m.
Mars	12:57 p.m.	1:30 a.m.
Jupiter	4:10 a.m.	7:03 p.m.
Saturn	3:26 p.m.	2:43 a.m.
Uranus	1:56 a.m.	2:21 p.m.

Weather History

June 20, 1921 - Circle, Mont. received 11.5 inches of rain in 24 hours, a record for the state. The town of Circle received a total of 16.79 inches of rain that month to establish a rainfall record for any town in Montana for any month of the year.


Weather Trivia

Do tornadoes occur on every continent?

Answer: Yes, except on the continent of Antarctica.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Transit of Love

 The alarm was set for 4:15 a.m., but I was awake by three. During my four hours of sleep, I had scraped central Kentucky for Tennessee because getting there would be less time-consuming than driving through mountainous West Virginia. My partner in this odyssey to beat the East Coast weather blues to record the Venus transit, Mark Balanda, lived near Hershey, PA and that was also better suited for TN. Western Ohio was also favored as a triad of "close" locations where the skies would cooperate enough to see the Goddess of Love move across the disk of the sun, the last transit until December 11, 2117, 105.5 years into the future. The "love chase" was on. I left home at 4:30 a.m., was on I-81 with Mark by 6:30 a.m., Roanoke, VA by 11 a.m., and Bristol, TN in the very early afternoon. The sky became broken in southern Virginia with splashes of sunlight scalding the roadway, but it still wasn't good enough. There were showers in the area. Knoxville, TN was reached by two. The sky looked better, but our goal now seemed to focus on Cookeville. Back into the Appalachia's, the sinuous route of I-40 now took us, and it was here that the unlikely transition to drier air took place. The clouds became scattered, fair weather Cumulus—friendly, the kind of clouds that decrease near dusk. It was now 3 p.m. CDT. We had two hours to get situated, and there was the exit for Crossville, TN, high on a hill, with lots of motels and adequate vistas, but Mark lobbied for a less pedestrian roadside setting, so we drove to Renegade Mt. to a scenic overlook, set up our equipment, and settled in for the rendezvous of the century. We spotted Venus impinging onto the sun's limb about 5:05 p.m., then watched and photographed until the sun set behind foreground trees. Was the 1400 mile roundtrip clear sky chase worth it? Mark and I saw the real deal. You bet it was! www.astronomy.org

TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. CURRENCY:** What is the image that appears opposite of Andrew Jackson on a \$20 U.S. bill?
- 2. GEOGRAPHY:** What is the name of India to local residents?
- 3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What disease is caused by the bacteria "Yersinia pestis"?
- 4. COMICS:** What comic-book series featured Green Goblin as a villain?
- 5. BOARD GAMES:** If you have to go directly to jail in "Monopoly," what two things are you told NOT to do?
- 6. MUSIC:** In what year did Elvis Presley make his first national television appearance in the U.S.?
- 7. LITERATURE:** What was the title of Dr. Seuss's last book?
- 8. FOOD & DRINK:** What are the main ingredients of vichyssoise?
- 9. MOVIES:** What town was the setting for the movie "It's a Wonderful Life"?
- 10. ANATOMY:** What is the function of the amygdala in the human body?

Answers: 1. The White House; 2. Bharat; 3. Plague; 4. "Spider-Man"; 5. Do not pass Go, and do not collect \$200; 6. 1956 ("The Dorsey Brothers Stage Show"); 7. "Oh, the Places You'll Go!"; 8. Potatoes and leeks; 9. Bedford Falls; 10. Processes fear and emotional responses. (c) 2012 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword FOREIGN FILMS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Voucher
 - 5 Plane place
 - 11 Big bargain
 - 16 "Major Barbara" monogram
 - 19 Clair or Coty
 - 20 Swimmer Gertrude
 - 21 Garrulous
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 - 23 "Bus Stop" playwright
 - 24 Peter O'Toole film
 - 27 Medal material
 - 29 Pine product
 - 30 Incongruous state
 - 31 Command to Fido
 - 32 Eventually
 - 37 Where the buoys are
 - 39 Glaze
 - 40 Judy Davis film
 - 43 Jury member
 - 46 Mr. Miyagi's forte
 - 47 Emcee's site
 - 48 Spigot
 - 51 Kindred
 - 54 Aussie rockers
 - 55 Plant disease
 - 56 What a feller needs
 - 57 In-your-face item
 - 58 Dancer Jose
 - 60 Pamphlet
 - 63 Floor covering
 - 64 Hoarder
 - 66 Taxing time?
 - 68 "I Love a Parade" composer
 - 69 Gregory Peck film
 - 74 Jeweler's weight
 - 76 Exodus figure
 - 77 "Butterfly" ('66 hit)
 - 80 Ken of "Hill Street Blues"
 - 81 Conductor's concern
 - 83 Endangered herbivore
 - 85 Solidify
 - 86 In error
 - 87 Twisted
 - 88 Way over yonder
 - 90 Little laugh
 - 92 Kyser or Starr
 - 93 Rushes
 - 95 Giza god
 - 97 Raison d'—
 - 98 Bob Hope film
 - 102 On — (doing great)
 - 104 Down meas.
 - 105 Clone
 - 106 A Bobbsey twin
 - 109 Intense
 - 110 — Claire, WI
 - 112 "Blueberry Hill" singer
 - 114 Jane Fonda film
 - 122 Leave out
 - 123 Fireworks reaction
 - 124 Gives the green light
 - 125 Pageant props
 - 126 Misplace
 - 127 Neighbor of Ger.
 - 128 Actress Davis
 - 129 Least conventional
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 - 2 Matisse or Rousseau
 - 3 Gold brick?
 - 4 "— Wolf" ('85 film)
 - 5 Montana's capital
 - 6 Periodontists' org.
 - 7 Contemporary
 - 8 "Don't touch my bone!"
 - 9 Ginger —
 - 10 Dollars for quarters
 - 11 Audiophile's equipment
 - 12 Eastern "Way"
 - 13 Wee one
 - 14 "America's Most Wanted" abbr.
 - 15 Ira Gershwin, for one
 - 16 Libreville's land
 - 17 Escort
 - 18 Command to Fido
 - 25 Immobile class
 - 26 "La Rondine" rendition
 - 28 Energy
 - 33 "For shame!"
 - 34 Albeniz or Asimov
 - 35 Peripatetic Polo
 - 36 "Gracious me!"
 - 38 Pitch in
 - 39 Numskull
 - 40 Onassis' nickname
 - 41 Catchall abbr.
 - 42 DEA officer
 - 43 Theatrical Joseph
 - 44 Literary pseudonym
 - 45 Thrill
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 - 49 Wagon part
 - 50 Hammer head
 - 52 Marsh sight
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 - 59 Monty's milieu
 - 60 '82 Jeff Bridges film
 - 61 Volcano part
 - 62 Clerical garb
 - 63 Baseball's Speaker
 - 65 Genghis —
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 - 67 Supportive of
 - 68 Blue hue
 - 70 Tasty tuber
 - 71 Weaken
 - 72 Sgt.
 - 73 Got off
 - 74 Quiche creator
 - 75 — Romeo
 - 78 Swerve
 - 79 Gen. Robt. —
 - 81 Experiment
 - 82 Checked out
 - 83 "Scent of a Woman" dance
 - 84 Chilean pianist
 - 87 Without reservation
 - 88 Bonaparte's buddy
 - 89 Ward (off)
 - 91 Shoe width
 - 94 Farm feature
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 - 100 Firstborn
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STRANGE BUT TRUE by Samantha Weaver

- It was revered Chinese philosopher Confucius who made the following sage observation: "He who learns but does not think is lost. He who thinks but does not learn is in great danger."
- If you ever have occasion to refer to an item that pertains to walnuts, it will be useful to have the word juglandaceous at your disposal.
- It's well-known that the United States is a melting pot of nationalities. At the end of the 1800s, New York City was so diverse that it had more Irish than any city except Dublin, and a larger Russian population than was to be found at that time in the city of Kiev. The only two cities in the world that had more German speakers were Vienna and Berlin, and Milan and Naples had fewer Italians than New York.

- If you're like the average American, you will eat 1.5 tons of food this year.

- Beeswax candles are valued largely because they don't drip as other candles do, but they're also very durable. Archaeologists have found still-pliable beeswax candles in Egyptian tombs, and some have been recovered in good condition from sunken ships.

- Iowa has the highest literacy rate in America.

- In the grocery stores of today you might find a half-dozen varieties of apple, if you're lucky. In centuries past, though, there were more than 350 varieties that were grown just for the purpose of making cider.

- When paper currency is no longer in good enough condition to be circulated, it can be shredded and used in products such as shingles and insulation. You may have cash on your roof!

Thought for the Day: "Football isn't a contact sport, it's a collision sport. Dancing is a contact sport." — Vince Lombardi

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MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel

- On July 3, 1775, on Cambridge common in Massachusetts, George Washington rides out in front of the American troops gathered there, draws his sword and formally takes command of the Continental Army. Washington declined to accept payment for his services beyond reimbursement of future expenses.

- On July 4, 1911, record temperatures are set throughout the northeastern United States, the result of a deadly heat wave that would go on to kill 380 people. By July 13, New York alone had reported 211 people dead from the excessive heat.

- On July 5, 1921, a trial begins in the case of seven Chicago White Sox baseball players accused of throwing the 1919 World Series. The conspiracy trial was just for show, and signed confessions from some of the players mysteriously disappeared from police custody. The jury acquitted all of the accused players and then celebrated with them at a nearby restaurant.

- On July 2, 1938, Helen Wills Moody defeats Helen Jacobs to win her eighth Wimbledon singles title. Her record was not broken until Martina Navratilova won her ninth Wimbledon title in 1990. Wills died in 1998 at the age of 92.

- On July 8, 1949, Wolfgang Puck, the celebrity chef and official caterer for the Academy Awards Governors Ball, is born in Austria. Puck's restaurant Spago in West Hollywood, Calif., became famous for its gourmet pizza (which featured such toppings as caviar and smoked salmon) and its celebrity clientele.

- On July 6, 1971, Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong, one of the most influential musicians of the 20th century, dies in New York City at the age of 69. Armstrong pioneered jazz improvisation and the style known as "swing." He had many nicknames, including Satchmo, short for "Satchelmouth."

- On July 7, 1983, Samantha Smith, an 11-year-old American girl, begins a two-week visit to the Soviet Union at the invitation of Soviet leader Yuri Andropov. He invited Smith after she wrote him a letter as part of a school project.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

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ALCONA TWP. ORDINANCE NO. 2012-02

Ordinance Addressing Floodplain Management Provisions of the State Construction Code
 Community Name: Alcona Township, County: Alcona
 Ordinance number: 2012-02
 An ordinance to affirm an enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the township of Alcona located in Alcona County, and to designate regulated flood hazard areas under the provisions of the State Construction Code Act, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended.
 The township of Alcona ordains: Section 1. Agency Designated. Pursuant to the provisions of the state construction code, in accordance with Section 8b(6) of Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, the Building Official of the County of Alcona is hereby designated as the enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of Alcona under Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, State of Michigan. The County of Alcona

assumes responsibility for the administration and enforcement of said Act through out the corporate limits of the community adopting this ordinance.
 Section 2. Code Appendix Enforced. Pursuant to the provisions of the state construction code, in accordance with Section 8b(6) of Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, Appendix G of the Michigan Building Code shall be enforced by the enforcing agency within the Township of Alcona.
 Section 3. Designation of Regulated Flood Prone Hazard Areas. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Study (FIS) Entitled Alcona County, MI-All jurisdictions dated September 28, 2012 and the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRMS) panel number(s) 75, 100, 120, 26001C, 125, 140, 145 and 150 and dated September 28, 2012 are adopted by reference for

the purposes of administration of the Michigan Construction Code, and declared to be a part of Section 1612.3 of the Michigan Building Code, and to provide the content of the "Flood Hazards" section of Table R301.2(1) of the Michigan Residential Code.
 Section 4. Repeals. All ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.
 Section 5. Publication. This ordinance shall be effective after legal publication and in accordance with the provisions of the Act governing same.
 Adopted this 12th day of June, 2012. This ordinance duly adopted on June 12, 2012 at a regular meeting of the Alcona Township Board and will become effective July 10, 2012.
 Signed on June 12, 2012 by Dawn LaLonde, Clerk of the Township of Alcona. Attested on June 12, 2012 by Roger Carlin, Supervisor of the Township of Alcona.

SALES

Large estate sale, 5315 East M-72, Friday-Sunday, June 22-24, 9 a.m. - ?.

Huge garage sale, 929 Vernor Drive, Barton City, June 22, 23 and 24, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Lots of ladies' and men's clothing, beautiful household decorations, Fenton, Westmoreland milk glass, two printers: one Canon Photo and Hewlett Packard four-in-one printer, shredder, no junk, moving to Florida.

LANDSCAPE

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BINGO

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

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.

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FOR SALE

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Camper trailer 8x32 feet, \$1,200, you haul; under counter refrigerator \$50; fax machine \$5, (989) 724-5049.

1974 Champion 12 x 60 mobile home with addition, 24 x 24 garage on 1.2 acres, immediate possession, \$15,000 cash, (813) 245-4651.

1999 Sweetwater pontoon boat, 18 feet with 2001 Mercury 50 horse power motor includes: Hummingbird fish finder, life jackets, fire extinguishers, table and ladder, \$7,000, phone (989) 747-0468.

HELP WANTED

Mikado Home Health Care needs reliable CENAs for 12 hour shifts 5:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m.; (989) 736-3202.

Hiring all positions: bartenders, waitresses, dishwashers, cooks and kitchen help. Apply in person at Shotmakers, Harrisville. (Corner of US-23 and M-72)

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CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The regular Caledonia Township Board meeting June 13, was called to order by Supervisor Brown with pledge to the flag at 7 p.m. Present on the board: Brown, Thornton, Timm, Ott and Scott. Also present Nancy Beck, Zoning Administrator (ZA) and five citizens. Motion to accept the agenda with additions. Motion to approve the minutes of May 9, 2012. 1974 Champion 12 x 60 mobile home with addition, 24 x 24 garage on 1.2 acres, immediate possession, \$15,000 cash, (813) 245-4651. Correspondence: Charter Communications, K&P Traffic Markings, Alcona County treasurer and Harmony Weekend flier. Motion to pay the bills. Motion to place treasurer's report on file.

Planning commission: Continued working on ordinance revisions. ZA report: Checking on a couple of places with blight complaints. Dr. Mead's tree planting does not fall under the existing ordinance, so Nancy sent a letter explaining this with an apology. Motion to replace 14 street signs as indicated on report from road commission. The request for the four street signs on the west shore is denied. The township does not purchase signs for private roads. Presbyterian church is still working on well situation. Northend Park Report: Architect has received waterways review and is getting bids hoping to start right after Labor Day. Heidi Schaefer,

along with volunteers, will be working on the landscaping and planting at the park. Motion that we pay Heidi Schaefer mileage up to \$600 for donating her time at the park. Road commission: Presented two proposals for Roe Road. Motion to approve agreement CL No. 1202 to do Roe Road for a cost to the township of \$78,156. It is a consensus of the board to postpone the road improvement on Cedar Street at this time. Motion to sign contract between township and Alcona Country Library for three years. Motion to sign commercial lease agreement with Abbotts for library rental for three years. Motion that we are not interested in purchasing any property presented to us by the Alcona County treasurer. Motion to send Waldeck, Hubbard and Beck to planning and zoning seminar August 8 in Lewiston. Discussion concerning FEMA papers needs more review, so it was tabled again until next month. Motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. All motions at the meeting passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next meeting is June 13. Planning commission meets June 4. Website: Caledoniatwp.net.

Helen Timm, Clerk

MITCHELL TOWNSHIP MINUTES

Mitchell Township Board met June 11. Reporting official: Clerk Warren Cross. Action items: Approved the agenda; approved draft minutes of the May 14 regular meeting. Approved the May financial reports. Voted to approve a fire department patrol during red flag or burning ban weekends. Accepted the zoning administrator's report as filed. Voted to approve a Red Cross emergency shelter agreement. Voted to approve the final pay-

ment for paving at the fire hall. Voted to approve the annual dues payment to Michigan Townships Association. Members present: Supervisor Greg Murnock, clerk Warren Cross, treasurer Kevin Small and trustees Linda Lay, Vito Soranno. Public present: Carla Brimm. Next meeting: August 14 at 7 p.m. For the full board minutes or for more information, contact clerk Warren Cross at (989) 848-7395.

ALCONA CO. ROAD COMMISSION

A regular meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission was held on June 13, 2012, in Lincoln, Michigan. Motions were passed to approve the May 23, 2012, meeting minutes; pay \$207,293.47 on accounts; to approve road improvement agreements with Alcona Township for miscellaneous ditching/excavating and sealcoat on LaFave Road between US-23 and Black River road, Greenbush Township for sealcoat on Poor Farm Road from F-30 north 2,550 feet, and Caledonia Township for hot mix asphalt wedding on Roe Road from F-41 west 2.23 miles; and to rescind the motion from the May 23, 2012, meeting regarding cell phone usage. This synopsis of the minutes published prior to board review and approval.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Michael Stanbury and Colette M. Stanbury f/k/a Collette M. Inda, husband and wife, to Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, whose address is 1100 South Bagley Street, Alpena, Mich. 49707.

The mortgage is dated September 23, 2005 and recorded on September 30, 2005, at Liber 423, pages 1,023-1,025, Alcona County records. The mortgage is subject to a Mortgage Modification Agreement dated October 6, 2010 and recorded on October 18, 2010 at Liber 473, pages 1,404-1,406, Alcona County records. There is claimed to be due on the mortgage at the date of this notice, for principal, interest, and other items paid as allowed by the mortgage, the sum of \$66,962.65 and no proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt secured thereby. The power of sale contained in the mortgage has now become operative.

Notice is hereby given that, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage and pursuant to the applicable foreclosure statute, the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property described below at public auction to the highest bidder at the Alcona County Courthouse at 214 West Main Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 on Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2012 at 10 a.m. The property will be sold to pay the amount due on the mortgage with 4.250 percent interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes and insurance that the mortgagee pays on or before the date of sale.

The property subject to the mortgage and subject to sale is as follows: Situated in Alcona Township, Alcona County, state of Michigan. Part of Government Lot 2 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 7 East, described as: Commencing at the northeast corner of Lot 221 of "Scott Park Subdivision," thence south 83° 58' east 330.00 feet; thence north 3° 30' east 47.90 feet; thence south 84° 15' east 148.96 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 5° 17' east 100.00 feet; thence south 84° 15' east 160.00 feet; thence south 5° 17' west 100.00 feet; thence north 84° 15' west 160.00 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right-of-way purposes.

The period of redemption will be six months from the date of sale, unless abandoned as defined by MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale. 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: June 12, 2012
 Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union,
 Mortgagee
 Daniel W. White
 Attorney for Mortgagee
 313 North Second Avenue
 Alpena, MI 49707
 (989) 354-4104
 6-20, 6-27, 7-4, 7-11, 7-18

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate File No. 10-5080 DE

Estate of Patricia Ann Kelley
 Date of birth: October 22, 1931
 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Patricia Ann Kelley, died October 16, 2007.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Brooke A (uhl) Idalski, 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: June 18, 2012
 Brooke A. (uhl) Idalski
 1228 W. Hampton Road
 Essexville, Mich. 48732
 (989) 893-2900

State of Michigan Probate Court County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate

Administration Trust of Robert E. Frederick
 Date of birth: August 1, 1921
 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Robert E. Frederick, who lived at 4046 Bamfield Road, Curtis, Mich. died May 20, 2012.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the trust will be forever barred unless presented to Barbara Livingston and Jon Teefey, Co-Trustees within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.
 Date: June 18, 2012
 William A. Beluzo Jr. P10668
 38505 Woodward, Suite 2000
 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304
 (248) 901-4037
 Barbara Livingston
 4468 Firethorn Ct.
 Warren, MI 48092
 Jon Teefey
 518 S. Melborn
 Dearborn, MI 48124

Notice of Judicial Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office if you are a borrower on active military duty.

Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the circuit court at the request of the plaintiff. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, as determined by the court. Alcona County Circuit Court Case No. 11-1692-CH Notice of Judicial Sale: Judicial sale in pursuance and by virtue of a Stipulated Judgment of Foreclosure in the Circuit Court for the county of Alcona, state of Michigan, made and entered on the 2nd day of February, 2012, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein HSBC Bank USA, National Association, As Trustee for WFHM 2007-M09 was the plaintiff and Kenneth R. Boisvert and Veronica J. Boisvert were the defendants.

The aforementioned court established a debt owing to plaintiff in the amount of \$242,038.17, plus post-judgment interest at an annual rate of 5.125 percent and other amounts recoverable pursuant to said judgment or order.

If you are currently in bankruptcy or have received a discharge in bankruptcy as to this obligation, this communication is intended for informational purposes only and is not an attempt to collect a debt in violation of the automatic stay or the discharge injunction. In such case, please disregard any part of this communication which is inconsistent with the foregoing. Otherwise, federal law requires us to advise you that communication from our office could be interpreted as an attempt to collect a debt and that any information obtained may be used for that purpose. If you are now on active military duty or have been in the prior nine months, please contact our office as you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers' Civil Relief Act. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard D. Roberts, a married man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, mortgagee, dated October 15, 2004 and recorded October 19, 2004 in Liber 408, page 484, Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, NA by assignment.

Foreclosure Notice

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. may be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose. If you are a military servicemember on active duty now or in the prior nine months, please contact our office.

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Katrina Pirkola, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, mortgagee, dated February 4, 2005, and recorded on February 9, 2005, in Liber 412, page 1,368, Alcona County records, said mortgage was assigned to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2005-B, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-B by an assignment of mortgage which has been submitted to the Alcona County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of two hundred thousand three hundred sixty-three and 96/100 (\$200,363.96) including interest at the rate of 7.75000 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 in said Alcona County, where the

Notice is hereby given that in order to satisfy said judgment or order, in whole or in part, the property described below shall be sold at public auction, by an authorized sheriff or deputy sheriff, to the highest bidder, at the circuit court for the county of Alcona, located at 106 5th Street, Harrisville, Michigan (that being the building in which the circuit court for that county is held) on August 1, 2012 at 10 a.m., local time.

On said day at said time, the following property shall be sold: property located in the township of Hawes, county of Alcona, state of Michigan and particularly described as part of the southwest 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 27 North, Range 8 East, described as: Commencing at the southeast corner of said Section 24; thence north 87 degrees 11 minutes 35 seconds west along the south line of said section 1,317.20 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 87 degrees 11 minutes 35 seconds west 218.26 feet; thence north 03 degrees 32 minutes 43 seconds east 223.28 feet; thence south 71 degrees 47 minutes 26 seconds east 416.11 feet; thence north 20 degrees 04 minutes 02 seconds west 708.18 feet; thence south

There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy-seven thousand six hundred nine and 53/100 dollars (\$77,609.53) including interest at 6.5 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville in Alcona County, Michigan at 10 a.m. on July 11, 2012.

Said premises are located in the township of Caledonia, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Situated in Caledonia Township, Alcona County, state of Michigan. Part of the southwest 1.4 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 1, Town 28 North, Range 7 East, described as: Commencing at the southeast corner of the southwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4; thence west 180 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 396 feet; thence west 132.5 feet; thence south 396 feet; thence east 132.5 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right of way

premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 12 p.m. on July 18, 2012. Said premises are situated in the township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 31 of Hardwood Point Subdivision, being a part of Government Lots 1, 2 and 3 of Section 21, Township 28 North, Range 7 East, township of Alcona, county of Alcona, Michigan. Commonly known as: 5352 Mt. Maria Road.

If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be six months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is one year.

Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) 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.

To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered

87 degrees 12 minutes 53 seconds east 883.91 feet; thence south 02 degrees 19 minutes 14 seconds west along the east 1/8 line of said section 986.62 feet to the point of beginning. Together with and subject to an easement for ingress, egress and utility purposes over the real property described as follows: The north 30 feet of the southeast 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 27 North, Range 8 East, and further granting an easement to use an existing roadway running southerly on or near the east line of the southwest 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 27 North, Range 8 East, with the express purpose of granting ingress, egress and utility purposes to the property described above. Tax Parcel ID: 071-024-400-020-03. More commonly known as: 2021 Bobick Trail. Redemption period is six months. For more information, please call (248) 642-2515.

Trott & Trott, P.C.
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 Douglas Atchison,
 Alcona County Sheriff
 6-13, 6-20, 6-27, 7-4, 7-11, 7-18

purposes.

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: June 6, 2012
 Orleans Associates, P.C.
 Attorneys for Servicer
 P.O. Box 5041
 Troy, MI 48007-5041
 File No. 326.8867
 6-6, 6-13, 6-20, 6-27

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

Dated: June 20, 2012
 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
 Attorneys for HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2005-B, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-B 43252
 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180,
 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302
 (248) 335-9200
 Case No. 12OMI00614-1
 6-20, 6-27, 7-4, 7-11

ALCONA TWP. SYNOPSIS

Alcona Township's June 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, Mead and MacNeill. Clerk's minutes and treasurer's report were filed. Motions to pay bills, adopt resolution of intent for participating in the National Flood Insurance program, to adopt ordinance addressing flood plain management provisions, to accept Michael Szor as a fire fighter/EMT, to sign road agreement for fog coat on Hubbard Lake and LaFave Road ditching and sealcoat.

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

SBA Structures, Inc. has acquired a 273-foot overall height guyed-type telecommunications structure. The existing structure is located at 880 M-72, Lincoln, Alcona County, Michigan. SBA Structures, Inc. invites comments from any interested party on the impact the existing tower may have had on any historic properties. Comments may be sent to Environmental Corporation of America, Attn: Dina Bazzill, 1375 Union Hill Industrial Court, Suite A, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004. Comments must be received within 30 days. For questions please call Dina Bazzill (770) 667-2040, ext. 111.

HARRISVILLE TWP. MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held June 12 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and four guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." In seeking support for his re-election as the county sheriff, Doug Atchison's message was well received. Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer's report accepted and reconciled with clerk.

Zoning administration had three land use permits issued. Fire department committee passed out copies of a draft for review of a new proposed joint fire department agreement to be acted on later. Jamieson/Pyne: To transfer \$16,000 from the budgeted 101 General Account to the 209 Cemetery Account. Motion carried.

It is the consensus of the board, that they are not interested in purchasing any foreclosed property in Harrisville Township as presented by the Alcona County treasurer. Discussed the upcoming new flood insurance for the township and the eradication of invasive plants on the Lake Huron shores. Young/Pyne: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:26 p.m.

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