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# lcona Tigers win second district title

#### **By Ron Yokom** Basketball Writer

Does anyone know how hard it is to win back-to-back district titles in the varsity boys basketball tournament?

The last time Alcona did it was back in 1958 and 1959 -- the first years of existence for the new high school.

There have been some pretty good basketball teams during that time span.

The current team won its second straight district title Friday night, defeating Johannesburg-Lewiston in rather easy fashion 61-43. The difficult part came Wednesday night when they

faced Tawas, on their home court, for the fourth time this year.

Those who know the game of basketball say it is hard to defeat a team three times in the same year. How hard is it to defeat a team four times? At one point in the semifinal game it looked impossible. Alcona got off to a quick start leading Tawas 14-9 after one quarter thanks to a hot hand by Bryan Layton who scored eight points. Even after a low scoring second period the Tigers had a 22-16 lead at halftime.

Then came the third quarter. The Braves immediately hit a three-pointer to trim the scored 12 points in the first half, countered with a three of his own. The Tigers still a six point lead.

Six consecutive points by Tawas tied the game at 25. Aaron Ritchie made one of two free throws to give the lead back to Alcona but a steal and easy lay-up by Tawas gave the Braves the lead. Two free throws by Brock LaVergne and Alcona led by one.

Tawas then closed out the quarter with an 8-0 run and took a 35-28 lead and gained plenty of momentum heading into the final period. The Braves outscored the Tigers

lead to three. Layton, who 19-6 by executing a tough press that caused way too many turnovers and easy baskets.

> With a very aggressive defense Tawas double-teamed any Tiger that had possession of the ball to start the final period. But Alcona also cranked up its defense and the fourth quarter battle was on

Tawas managed to increase its lead to nine points, 44-35 with three minutes left in the game. It didn't look good for the Tigers. Then Jared Steiner hit a key threepointer to cut the lead to six.

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Alcona fans get into the spirit of district tournament play.

# Backyard Bird Count reveals some surprises

On the morning of February 17, bird observers in losco County were surprised when greeted by a fresh blanket of snow up to three inches in places. "This sudden weather change brought many birds into feeding stations early in the siskins. This visitor from the far north will move south periodically. East Tawas recorded 71, while other parts of the state totaled 500 or more in some localities.

Trumpeter Swans dominated the scene with 150 being observed at Alcona pond, along with 78 at other locations throughout Iosco County. "Alcona and Iosco counties combined had the most trumpeters in the entire state, and these numbers set a record for us," she added. An unexpected sighting of a field sparrow was also captured on film by Roger Eriksson. "Because it is so unusual to see this bird here at this time of the year, photo documentation was required, and Roger had the proof," Ridgway said. In fact, only six were documented statewide and this one was the farthest north," she added. Eriksson also spotted two eastern meadowlarks in the Tawas area. "These are very rare in northern Michigan in Continued on page 8



Spring-like weather has brought robins back to north-



Jared Steiner moves the ball toward the Tiger basket in the final district tournament game against the Tawas Braves. Photos courtesy of Bill Pinson, Montmorency Co. Tribune.

# Residents in need receive help from several local entities

#### **By Mary Weber** Special to the Review

Economic struggles impact Alcona County residents daily and luckily there is an abundance of help provided by many volunteers through community food banks and pot luck meals.

The Alcona Food Pantry, open on the second Saturday of every month at 10:30 a.m. serves close to 90 families a month -- 133 families were helped in December alone. "It's not always easy to meet all the needs," said Shelly Dunn, who operates the pantry located at the Harrisville United Methodist Church. Donations from people that live in the community, grants from United Way and donations from local businesses and organizations help keep the program funded. "We try to provide 25 to 30 items to the families in need each month, hopefully it's enough food to last them at least a week," Dunn said. Families that are in need of help from the Alcona Food Pantry need to apply in person with identification that proves they live in Alcona County. The food pantry also requests recipients bring a box with them for food items. My Brother's Hope, another of Alcona County's food providers, offers a nutritious

meal at the potluck cafés which are open twice a month. They operate in conjunction with the Alcona Food Pantry on the second Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville United Methodist Church

A "free store" is also available at that time and location for people in need of clothing, household, hygiene and seasonal items. My Brother's Hope meets again on the fourth Friday of every month for a meal from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Raphael Catholic Church in Mikado. The "free store" is not available at the St. Raphael site, instead, free haircuts are offered on that day.

My Brother's Hope was the vision of Susan Armstrong in 2008 when she picked up her own brother who was walking along the side of the road. "It was during a bitter northern Michigan winter when I came upon my brother walking alone along the road. I stopped and picked him up and he said to me, 'I was so cold that I was ready to go sit behind a tree and just give up." Armstrong knew then something needed to be done to support others facing difficult circumstances.

The potluck café's are

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the day," said Peggy Ridgway, Audubon ambassador for the 15<sup>th</sup> annual nationwide count.

"Many folks were delighted to see their feeders being visited by a variety of species. Moreover, huge numbers of pine siskins were observed throughout Iosco County. During the four day period, East Tawas participants tallied 1,002 siskins, the highest recorded in the state," Ridgway said.

At first many folks identified them as American Goldfinches, she explained, but closer looks revealed the heavily striped breast and back, very typical of this species. "Goldfinches have no streaks whatsoever," Ridgway said.

Common redpolls were also sighted mingling with

ern Michigan. Fran Labaza of Haynes Township was the first resident to report seeing a robin this year. Photo by Mary Weber.

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### Obituaries

### Freeda J. McMaster

Freeda Jean McMaster, 90, of Mikado, died on Sunday, March 11, 2012 at home.

She was born July 4, 1921 to Sydney and Jenny (Yuill)

Somers in Lincoln, where she was raised. She married Wayne McMaster on May 30, 1944.

They were longtime residents of Wayne, Mich. retiring to Bradenton, Fla. She recently returned to Mikado.

Mrs. McMaster is survived by two daughters, Linda (Joseph) Drean of Mikado and Karen Johnson of Mikado; two sons, Terry (Mittie) McMaster of Ypsilanti, Mich. and Michael (Deborah) McMaster of Grosse Ile, Mich.; six grandchildren, Aaron, Jason (Jodi) and Kristin McMaster, Kara (Andrew) Scheetz, Jeremy Johnson and Martha Johnson; and one great-grandson, Blayne McMaster.

Her husband preceded her in death on December 16, 2001.

A memorial service will be held this summer.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

### Ashley N. Scott

Ashley N. Scott, 19, of Greenbush, died on Monday, March 5, 2012 at St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw, Mich.

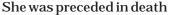
She was born February 7, 1993 to Scott and Sheila (Przybylinski) Scott in Tawas City. She was a lifelong resident of Greenbush.

Miss Scott was a 2011 graduate of Oscoda High School. A freshman at Grand Valley State University, she was studying exercise medicine and nutrition.

She was very athletic and enjoyed running, playing softball, basketball and volleyball.

She was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville.

Miss Scott is survived by her parents; Scott and Sheila Scott; one sister, Katlyn Scott; one brother, Michael Scott; her grandparents, Helen and Tony Przybylinski and Bonnie Scott; her greatgrandparents, Helen Gaz, Elizabeth Przybylinski and Lola Haskin; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.





by her grandparents, Linda and Robert Farnum and Ralph Russell Scott Sr.; and her great-grandfathers, Louis Gaz and William Haskin.

The funeral was held March 10 at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. The Rev. Lawrence Boks officiated. Burial was in St. Anne Catholic Cemetery in Harrisville. Memorial donations made to Miss Scott's family will be used to establish a scholarship fund in her name.

### Frank W. Crandall

Frank W. Crandall, 77, Barton City, died on Friday, March 9, 2012 at home.

He was born September 6, 1933 to Frank J. and Agnes (Buchi) Crandall in New York City, N.Y, where he was raised.

He joined the U.S. Air Force in 1952. During his career he served in France, Vietnam, the Azores, Kinchloe Air Force Base in Kinchloe, Mich., Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda and McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey. He retired in 1973 as a tech sergeant.

On September 27, 1969 he married Clara McGregor.

A Barton City resident since his retirement, Mr. Crandall was a member of the Veteran of Foreign Wars, Burger Wiedbrauk Post No. 8135 of Barton City and attended St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville.

Mr. Crandall is survived by his wife, Clara; one stepdaughter, Diane (Bob) Shea of Eads, Tenn.; one stepson, David (Jeannie) McGregor of Corunna, Mich.; one sister, Vera (Tony Salemo) Schroder of New York City, N.Y.; one step granddaughter; and two step great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 17 at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln at 1 p.m. Visitation will begin at noon. Military honors will be accorded by the VFW Burger Wiedbrauk No. Post 8135.

### Donald G. Cowsert

Donald Gene Cowsert, 76, of Lincoln, died on Monday, March 5, 2012 at Hope Hospice in Ft. Myers, Fla.

He was born in Harrisburg, Ill. on July 9, 1935, the son of Fred and Esther (Triboulet) Cowsert.

He served in the U.S. Army.

On December 21, 1957 he married Audrey Oatman in Flint, Mich. They were residents of Flushing, Mich.

Mr. Cowsert was employed as a counselor at Genesee Area Skill Center.

He was a member of Lincoln United Methodist Church and Cypress Lakes United Methodist Church in Florida.

He was a past master of Masonic Fellowship Lodge No. 490 Flint, Mich. and Alcona Lodge No. 292 Lincoln and past patron of the Order of Eastern Star Chapter No. 184 of Lincoln. He was a member of the Scottish Rite Valley of Bay City, Mich. and Elf Khurafeh Shriners.

Mr. Cowsert is survived by his wife, Audrey; one daughter, Susan (Ken) Abbey of Rochester Hills, Mich.; one sister, Rita Steele of Buford, G.; two sisters-in-law, Jacqueline Oatman and Marlene (Robert) Hughey; three nieces, Linda (Michael) Lorenz, Leslie (Bill) Davis and Judith Hemple; and two nephews, Gregory Hughey and Brian (Karen) Hughey.

He was preceded in death by one nephew, Jeffrey Hemple. The funeral service was held March 12 at the Swartz Funeral Home, Flint, Mich. Pastor Margo Kivisto officiated. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children, The Salvation Army or My Brother's Hope in Harrisville.

### LeRoy J. Peterson

LeRoy J. "L.J." Peterson, 85, of Harrisville, died on Monday, March 12, 2012 at his home.

He was born January 30, 1927 to Louis and Belle (Stewart) Peterson in Chicago, Ill. He was raised in Niles, Illinois.

On February 17, 1946, he married Patricia Kerr in Niles. Ill.

He served in the U.S. Navy. As a Presbyterian minis-

ter, he served Grandale Presbyterian Church in Detroit, Mich. and Northbrook Presbyterian Church in Birmingham, Mich.

He worked as the chief executive officer for the Presbyterian Villages of Michigan, retiring in 1992.

In 1995 the Petersons moved to Harrisville. He was a member of the Harrisville Lions Club and the Alcona Historical Society. An avid sailor, he was also a member of the Alpena Yacht Club.

Rev. Peterson is survived by his wife, Patricia; two sons, William Peterson and Paul (Wendy) Peterson, both of Harrisville; four grandchildren, Kristin Peterson, Rachel Peterson, Sarah Peterson and John Peterson; and one greatgranddaughter, Emily Snider.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Stewart Peterson, Robert Peterson and Stephen Peterson.

There will be a memorial service on Monday, March 19 at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville at 11 a.m. Rev. Tom Welscott and Rev. Steve Hammond will officiate. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral

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### Letters to the Editor

#### To the Editor,

I would like to publicly thank my hero. On Friday, March 9, a neighbor boy. Jonathon (a third-grader at Alcona Elementary), saved his young friend's life.

My son, Dustin, his brother Corey, and Jonathon, were crossing a small bridge that crossed a creek in the backyard when Dustin bent to put his fingers in the water. He slipped and fell into the water, that at this time of year is running quite a current.

water and was unable to stand up. The water is only two feet deep, however his coat and boots weighed him down. Unable to stand against the running water, he stayed under. Quick thinking and fast acting on Jonathon's part; he pulled at Dustin's hand and was able to pull him out. Jonathon saved his life.

A simple accident -- a minute of time -- and Dustin would have been gone.

The water that is normally Dustin went under the less than a foot deep, a sturdy

bridge, a boy who does know how to swim and adult supervision. All these simple preventative measures and still an accident is called such for a reason.

Words cannot express my gratitude. What is thankful? Relief? Gratitude?

I thank you, Jonathon, for your cool head at such a young age. I thank you for acting quickly and keeping your buddy, my son, safe. Rochelle Boboltz,

Alpena

### NOTICE

The Curtis Township Board of Trustees will hold their second budget hearing on Thursday, March 22, 2012 at 6 p.m. at the Curtis Township Hall, 4932 F-30, Glennie, Michigan.

The Curtis Township Board will also be holding their Truth and Taxation Hearing at this time. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be the subject of this hearing. Copies of the 2011-2012 proposed budget may be picked up at the clerk's office after March 16, 2012.

Teresa J. Perkins, Clerk

Curtis Township



To the Editor,

Your front page contained an article and picture about Peter Pettalia seeking re-election as state representative. A month and a half earlier, Derek Bailey, who is running for U.S. Congress in the 1st District, came to Harrisville, visited your office, toured town, and provided photos and a press release about the visit. Yet, not one word in the paper. The only difference I can see between the two visits is that one was a Republican and one was a Democrat.

If you only do one article per candidate, I trust we will hear no more about Pettalia. I look forward to your article about Derek Bailey and his run for Congress. If not, just change the name of the pa-

per to the Alcona County Republican.

Paul Peterson Chairman, Alcona County **Democratic Party** (Editor's Note: A candidate campaigning in the community is not news, thus does not merit coverage. Candidates announcing their candadacy for a seat -- regardless of their party affiliation -- is considered news. All candidates are invited to provide a press release detailing their experience, reason for running and positions relating to issues which will be published. Which is what Rep. Pettalia's press secretary provided last week. Mr. Bailey's local contact was given that information prior to his visit to Harrisville and

again while he was in our office during his visit. His press secretary in Traverse City, Mich. was also given that invitation after his visit. We have not recieved anything from Mr. Bailey's campaign regarding his declaration to run for the 1st District Congressional seat. The only press release we recieved came from a private individual not related to Mr. Bailey's campaign, which hightlighted his campaining in Harrisville. Additionally, since Mr. Pettalia is a sitting state representative and is working for the constituents of the 106th District his activities may be considered news depending on the situation, thus warrenting coverage in the Review. And this

### Obituaries

### John R. Farrar

John Richard Farrar, 67, of Ft. Wayne, Ind. died on Tuesday, March 6, 2012.

He was born November 24, 1944 in Detroit, Mich. to Richard W. and Hulda E. (Ulinder) Farrar. He was raised in Ypsilanti, Mich.

On June 16, 1986 he married Bernice M. Dawson.

Mr. Farrar worked for Ann Arbor Schools in grounds maintenance. He was a deacon at Community of Christ Church and was a member of the Moose Lodge in New Haven, Ind.

Mr. Farrar is survived by two sons, Troy (Colleen) Farrar of Detroit, Mich. and Christopher Farrar of Uma, Ariz.; one brother, James (Deborah) Farrar of Milan, Mich.; two nephews, Tyler Farrar at the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md. and William Farrar at Dyess AFB, Abilene, Texas; two uncles, Herbert (Ruth) Farrar of Spruce and Jerry Farrar of Westland, Mich.; and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1961, his mother in 2002 and his wife, Bernice, in 2011.

A funeral was held on March 11. Arrangements were handled by Smith and Brown Funeral Home, Ft. Wayne, Ind.



### Writing Letters to the Editor

The Alcona County Review welcomes Letters to the Editor so readers can express their opinion or draw attention to issues.

Letters to the editor must be signed with a first and last name and include an address, also a phone number where the author can be reached for confirmation or questions during regular business hours. Unsigned letters will not be published.

Letters must address the editor -- not government, the community, organizations or the authors of previously published letters.

Letters should be no longer than 300 words. Inappropriate content will be deleted and letters will run on a space available basis.

This forum is not intended as a thank you section for groups and organizations. Thank yous are considered personal messages and therefore advertising.

Drop off letters to the Alcona County Review office at 111 Lake Street, Harrisville; mail to P.O. Box 548, Harrisville, Mich. 48740; or e-mail using plain text format to editor@alconareview.com.

### **BIDS WANTED**

Bids are now being accepted for spring clean-up and seasonal mowing for the Curtis Township Cemetery, Curtisville Cemetery, Township Hall and Fire Department. When bidding please break down each item separately. This requires a copy of insurance when submitting bids. Please respond by April 4, 2012. Mail to: Mowing Bids, c/o Curtis Township, P.O. Box 90, Glennie, MI 48737.



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### **INVITATION TO BID HEALTH CARE PLAN**

The Oscoda Area Schools, losco and Alcona Counties, Michigan will accept sealed bids from qualified bidders to provide an Oscoda Area School District Health Care Plan. All bids must meet or exceed all specifications in the bid packet. A copy of the bid packet can be obtained in the Board of Education Office, or on the district's website <u>www.oscodaschools.org</u>. Bids are due at 12:00 noon on April 13, 2012, at which time they will be publicly opened and tabulated. No oral, telephonic or telegraphic proposals shall be considered.

Il bids shall remain firm for at least sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of bids

### 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, MARCH 14

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

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

Come inside where it's warm and walk in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. No charge. 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.

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

There will be a guest speaker from Hospice Advantage at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

**Barton City Improvement** Association will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the VFW Hall located on Trask Lake Rd. Barton City residents are invited to attend.

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 15**

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

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

Bible study at 3 p.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 745 N. US-23 Harrisville (corner of US-23 and Medor Rd.). For more information, call (989) 335-4054.

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

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

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

AARP tax preparation from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Blood pressure and blood sugar readings at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Rd.

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 16**

There will be a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. at Maria Hall behind St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children and free for age five and under. Everyone is welcome.

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

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

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

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

Barbecued ribs and chicken dinner at Barton City Eagles 4141, 671 Sanborn Rd. from 4 to 7 p.m. Adults \$8, children age six to 12 \$4, under six free. For carry out orders, call (989) 736-3050.

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 17

Alcona Athletic Association 3 On 3 Basketball Tournament at Alcona High School. Games start at 9 a.m. Food concessions will be available. For more information, call Ed LaVergne (989) 736-7204.

St. Patrick's Day dinner from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the VFW hall in Barton City. \$8 for adults, \$4 for children age 12 and under.

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In compliance with MCL 380.1267, a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationships that exist between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Oscoda Area School District Board of Education or the Oscoda Area School District Superintendent is needed. Bids without a sworn and notarized disclosure statement shall not be accepted.

The School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities therein; or to award the contract to other than the low bidder.

Three (3) copies of the bid form should be addressed to the attention of:

Board of Education Office Oscoda Area Schools, Iosco and Alcona Counties, Michigan 3550 East River Road Oscoda, Michigan 48750

/s/ Sherry L. Clouse, Secretary Board of Education Oscoda Area Schools



### Local Notes

#### **Donations Received**

Residents came through for the Child Abuse Response and Evaluation Team of Alcona Health Center which was in need of lap blankets for its patients. According to Jaci Fitzgerald, the team "is very grateful for the many generous donations of lap blankets. You have done a marvelous job of replenishing our supply. We will post again when more are needed."

#### **MDA Donations**

On February 25 the Lincoln Chapter No. 184 Order of the Eastern Star prepared and served a lunch and a bake sale at the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Cue for a Cure held at the Mikado Tavern in Mikado. All proceeds were donated to the muscular Dystrophy Association of Northeast Michigan.

#### **Senior Menu**

The following meals will be served at various times during the week at senior centers in Glennie, Greenbush and Lincoln. Anyone planning to attend 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, March 19-Sweet and sour chicken over rice, winter blend vegetables, orange fluff salad and fruit.

• Tuesday, March 20-Country steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, tossed salad and fruit pie.

• Wednesday, March 21-Pork roast, augratin potatoes, green beans, 3C salad and fruit.

• Thursday, March 22-Chili cheese hot dog on a bun, oven fried potatoes, wax beans, pickled beets and fresh fruit.

• Friday, March 23—Baked fish, potato Lyonnaise, Prince Charles blend, coleslaw and fruit

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

#### Mr. Macho Title

The Oscoda High School Student Council has selected Tony Weed as the winner of the 2012 Mr. Macho OHS. He is a junior at Oscoda High School. He also took home the People's Choice award for the night, while freshmen Taylor Huitema took first runner up to the crown. "The show was another huge success," said Yvonne Mallak, student council advisor. "Though the weather held off a big crowd, the student council raised over \$1,000 to help send members to camp this summer.



### Tony Weed Annual Historical Program

The AuSable Oscoda Historical Society's 13th annual museum fund-raising dinner presents "Lost Legends of the Lakes," famous ships and wrecks of the Great Lakes, Sunday, April 1 at Wiltse's Family Restaurant, Oscoda. A multi-media presentation by Robert McGreevy, Great Lakes historian and marine artist, will share maritime heritage of the Great Lakes - from the Griffon to the Edmund Fitzgerald. His passion for detail to historical accuracy has made McGreevy as much a historian and researcher as an artist. He completed a series of paintings for both the Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society at Whitefish Point, Mich. and the NOAA Thunder Bay Preserve Museum in Alpena.

Arrival and appetizers will begin at 4 p.m.; dinner is at 5 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person, advance ticket purchase only, limited to 100 seats. Ticket deadline is March 24. For more information, contact Fred at (989) 739-2782.

### **Finding Family History**

The Northeast Michigan Genealogical Society is focusing this month's meeting on family. In conjunction with a new feature in the group's newsletter "Roots and Branches," plans are to provide a networking basis for people researching the same family name. All attendees of the meeting are asked to bring their family trees, however

large or small. The society will have its unpublished manuscript file on hand. This is a large file of family trees that has been collected by the society for about 30 years. Other publications, like church and cemetery records will also be available as well as assistance and advice. The meeting will take place on Thursday, March 15 at 7 p.m. at the Besser Museum for Northeast Michigan. Everyone is invited to attend free of charge, whether new to research or a seasoned veteran.

#### **Customer Service Workshop**

The Alcona Economic Development Corporation and Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce are again joining forces in time for the summer hiring season. These two entities are offering a free customer service workshop for employers and employees.

'Beyond Service with a Smile" is aimed at helping employers and employees find techniques to exceed customer service and enhance the visitor experience. Participants can expect to review the basics, learn about applying the "pickle philosophy" and better understand what it means to "do business" in a tourist community.

Michelle Walk, Michigan State University Extension educator with the Greening Michigan Institute, has been teaching customer service programs for over 15 years. Since joining Extension in 2004, her workshops have had a focus on providing customer service in tourist communities. "In northern Michigan, tourism and economic development go hand-inhand. We need to know our communities and be prepared to increase the experience of the customer so they stay, spend money and return again.'

The same free two-hour workshop is being offered twice on Wednesday, April 11. Participants should register for either the 2 to 4 p.m. class or the 6 to 8 p.m. class. Both workshops are being held at the EMS Building on M-72. Registration is required and space is limited to 40 participants per workshop. To register, contact Bonnie at the Alcona MSUE office (989) 724-6478 or e









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# Tax help while caring for an aging parent

Dear Savvy Senior, My wife and I provide a lot of financial support to my elderly mother and are won-

dering if any of it is tax deductible. What can you tell us?

Stretched Thin

Dear Stretched,

There is some tax relief available to adult children who help look after their aging parents or other relatives. But in order to be eligible, both you and your mom will need to meet Uncle Sam's criteria.

If you're helping financially support your elderly mother, to get a tax deduction you'll need to claim her as a dependent on your tax return. For the 2011 tax year, claiming an additional personal exemption would reduce your taxable income by \$3,700. But to get this tax break, you'll need to pass the IRS's income and support tests:

• Income test: To qualify

as a dependent, your mom's her financial support. 2011 gross income must have been less than \$3,700. Her income from Social Security does not count toward that total, nor do disability payments. But if your mom receives more than \$3,700 from other sources, such as pension benefits, interest and dividends from investments, or withdrawals from retirement savings plans, you can't claim her as a dependent.

• Support test: In addition to the income test, you must provide more than half of your mom's costs for housing, food, medical care, transportation and other necessities. Even if all of your mom's income is from Social Security, you can't claim her as a dependent unless you pay more than half her living expenses.

It's also important to note that your mom doesn't have to live with you to qualify as a dependent, as long as she meets the income test and you provide more than half

If your mother lives with you, you can include a percentage of your mortgage, utilities and other expenses in calculating how much you contribute to her support.

IRS Publication 501 (see www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/ p501.pdf) has a worksheet that can help you with this. To receive this, or other IRS publications or forms via mail, call (800) 829-3676.

If you share the financial responsibility for your mom with other siblings, you may be eligible for the IRS multiple-support declaration. Here's how this works. If one sibling is providing more than half the parent's financial support, only that sibling can claim the parent. But if each sibling provides less than 50 percent support, but their combined assistance exceeds half the parent's support. In that case, any sibling who provides more than 10 percent can claim the parent as a dependent. But only one

sibling can claim the tax break in any given year.

Siblings can rotate the tax break, with one claiming the parent one year, and another the next. The sibling who claims the parent as a dependent will need to fill out IRS Form 2120 (www.irs.gov/ pub/irs-pdf/f2120.pdf) and file it with his or her tax return.

If you can't claim your mom as a dependent, you may still get a tax break for helping pay her medical costs. The IRS lets taxpayers deduct money spent on a parent's health care and qualified long-term care services, even if the parent doesn't qualify as a dependent.

To claim this deduction, you still must provide more than half your mom's support, but your mom doesn't have to meet the income test. And the deduction is limited to medical, dental and longterm care expenses that exceed 7.5 percent of your ad-



justed gross income. You can include your own medical expenses in calculating the total. See the IRS publication 502 (www.irs.gov/pub/ irs-pdf/p502.pdf) for details.

In addition to the federal tax breaks, more than 20 states offer tax credits and deductions for caregivers on state income taxes too. Check with your state tax agency to see what's available.

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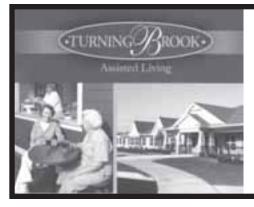
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Layton hit two free throws and the Tawas lead shrunk to four points. After two free throws by the Braves, Steiner made a three-point play the old fashioned way -- a basket

and free throw.

With Tawas hanging on to a three-point lead Ritchie stole the ball twice for easy, full court lay-ups and Al-



Alcona Tigers hoist the district trophey. *Photo courtesy of Bill Pinson, Montmorency CountyTribune.* 

# Lady Tigers fall to Tawas in district opener

#### **By Dan O'Connor** Special to the Review

Despite a furious rally in the final minutes, a tough night from the field and turnovers knocked the Lady Tigers out of the district tournament with a 43-40 loss to Tawas on Monday, Feb. 27.

Facing Tawas for the fourth time, the Lady Tigers started the evening leading 7-1 -before Tawas went on a 16-3 run late in the first quarter and early in the second. A Brave basket in the final seconds of the second quarter gave Tawas a 19-17 lead at the half.

In the third quarter Tawas continued its rally by opening up a 35-26 lead at the end of three quarters. The Lady Tigers found themselves down 15 points with just over three minutes to go before staging a late rally.

Three-pointers by Megan Quick and Lindsay Morang cut the lead to three points with seven seconds left. Tawas missed two free throws but the Lady Tigers were unable to secure on the rebound in order to make an attempt to tie the game. Quick led Alcona with 11 points while Emily Nowak and Ashley Smith added nine points each. Tawas defeated Whittemore-Prescott and Johannesburg-Lewiston to win the district title later in the week. Alcona finished 18-2 for the season. They secured the Huron Shores Conference regular season and conference tournament titles. It was the first conference title for the girls basketball program since 1996 - although many years the Tigers had been an independent team outside of a con-

ference.

The Lady Tigers will lose seniors Lindsay Morang, Kayla Rasmussen, Alleigh Sexton, Ashley Smith, Lexie Cook and Emily and Amy Nowak. All were huge components of the team's success this year. This group of seniors, through their four years in the program, had never lost more than six games in a season and won a total of 63 games between junior varsity and varsity.

Alcona will return juniors Nikki Smith and Tylar Campbell while also bringing back sophomores Karina Cole and Megan Quick to next year's team. The junior varsity has several players from a 10-8 season that will be counted on to make large contributions next season. cona had a one point lead that they refused to give up.

"Aaron knows his roll on the team is to work hard and play good defense. He came through at the right time," said coach Seth Coffing.

Layton finished the game with four free throws to give Alcona a hard fought 51-47 victory. "We didn't play our best game, but our experience showed in the final quarter and our defense was outstanding in the final eight minutes," Coffing said.

Alcona's last three victories were by four points, two points and four points against pretty good teams.

Layton led the Tigers with 22 points and five rebounds. Steiner added 12 points even though he had been sick the past four days. LaVergne scored eight points and pulled down eight rebounds. Ritchie hit four five points and had those two key steals at the end. Brandon Gibson added four points.

After the Tawas game the district final against Johannesburg was a bit of a breeze. The Tigers led after one quarter 14-7, even though they turned the ball over on their first four possessions.

They increased their lead to 31-17 at halftime. Alcona's press really bothered the Cardinals as they were called for a 10 second violation three times. Alcona led 44-21 before the Cardinals went on a 10-0 run to finish the third quarter but still trailed 47-30 heading into the final quarter.

With the bench players getting plenty of playing time the Tigers closed out the game easily. Eight Tigers scored with Layton again leading the way with 20 points. Steiner added 14, pulled down five rebounds and seemed to have his energy back.

Brock LaVergne added nine points and four assists. Andrew Chamberlain came off the bench to score eight points. Eric Hampton and Trent LaVergne added three points each, while Brandon Gibson and Andy Cammack had two points each.

As of this writing Alcona was headed to Traverse City to face 19-1 Clare in a regional semifinal.



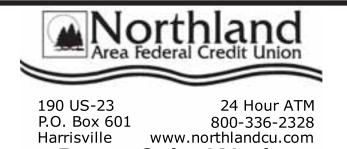
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February and more than likely a first for us," Ridgway said.

Matt Hegwood observed the first horned larks (seven) of the season, along with several snowbuntings (seven). Both were seen at Clark's Marsh. "Our party of observers was also spooked by the sudden take off of six ruffed grouse in the same location," Hegwood said.

Lots of open water along the AuSable River corridor hosted many species of waterfowl including buffleheads. American black ducks, mallards, common goldeneyes, red-breasted mergansers, hooded mergansers and long-tailed ducks. There were single sightings of a gadwall and northern pintail. "These water birds certainly added to our variety of species which totaled 49 in Oscoda, ranking us fourth in the state for the most number of species observed." Ridgway said.

There was a noticeable decline in the numbers of several common birds including hairy woodpeckers and blue jays. "Three and four years ago we led the state documenting over two and three hundred blue jays in Oscoda. This year only 58 were reported. I wonder why the drop?" Ridgway said.

Researchers will analyze the location, population, and general health of over 12 million birds tallied across the continent. This citizen science effort plays a tremen-



dous role and certainly assists researchers in determining the status of bird populations. Moreover, modern technology allows instant insight into avian conservation successes or potential difficulties, Ridgway said.

The high number of combined checklists (143) submitted in the area this year improved tremendously and boosted the species tally for many of the surrounding communities.

"Folks in the Oscoda, East Tawas, Tawas City, Glennie, South Branch, Hale, Mikado, National City, Rose City, Harrisville, Greenbush and Lincoln areas all deserve thanks for their watchful eyes and combined efforts," Ridgway said.



Pine siskins flock to area bird feeders in late winter, early spring. *Photo by Mary Weber.* 

### Organization Notes

### Northeastern U.A.W. Retirees

Scott Birdsall, the U.A.W. regional representative was the guest speaker at the February luncheon. He stated that there are 640,000 retirees and 77,000 surviving spouses and that there are 10 retirees to every current worker.

Several of our benefits have been cut because of this disparity. The VEBA Trust covers 840,000 people and is the largest trust in the world, also the largest purchaser in the world. Ninety percent of traditional workers will be in the trust and 10 percent will never be in the trust. Scott also said Chrysler has paid off its government loan completely and that GM is in the process of repaying its loan.

Scott said in Michigan, Governor Snyder wants to put a nine cent tax per gallon of gas and raise the license plates from \$40 to \$80. He encouraged us to send emails or letters to stop this. Also under the right to work issue it would impact retirees as well as workers. He said when a bill is presented in Michigan at 9 a.m. it doesn't even get debated, it can be signed into law by the governor at 2 p.m. the same day. Please keep these issues in mind when you vote.

Julie Salus gave a brief overview of Blue Cross Blue Shield benefits. The next meeting will be on March 7. Bring a food item for the less fortunate.

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# Food for thought

#### **By Kathryn Fritz Kniep** Columnist

Let's take a moment today for an unpleasant task. Let's look into the face of poverty and hunger in this country.

We need to do this, because one of the impacts of difficult financial times, coupled with the ever-long, on-going election process, is what media types refer to as "demonization of the poor." Like the poor themselves, it is always with us.

You've seen and heard it. You may even participate in it. It's based on the good old American philosophy that if we can't figure out how to fix something – or if fixing it involves some sacrifices we might rather not make - it must be "their" fault. You know who "they" are, of course – the people with the problem.

In this case, that would be poor people. And according to much of the national conversation, poor people live in poverty because in some convoluted way, they choose to. They don't take the jobs that are supposedly "out there." They'd rather lie about and wait for someone to hand out free food. They spend their money on bingo (cigarettes, whiskey, wild, wild women -insert your demon of choice). And quite honestly, if all of the "facts" in this oft-repeated conversation were ground up and put on your garden, you'd have some high grade, quality fertilizer.

Because, for the most part, it simply isn't true. Now everyone knows, especially in a small town, some second or third generation family that does seem to have embraced the entitlement mentality. For the most part, research tells us, these chronic poor are dealing with health or mental health issues or have simply, over the generations, given up on ever getting ahead.

But today, we're going to look at the actual face of poverty and hunger, here and now, based on a report issued the last day of February by the Food and Resource Action Center (FRAC). FRAC is a leading, well-respected national anti-hunger non-

order to look into the face of adults; struggling against the those poor and hungry in our same tide that has pushed nation, we will have to bend many better equipped back

down a little. That's because the majority of the hungry are children.

Now, my friend and editor, Cheryl often reminds me that people want stories, not statistics. Accordingly, I'm going to limit the numbers in this column to the extent possible. Let me just say that nationally, one in five children lives in poverty and deals with hunger on a regular basis.

And to bring it closer to home, in Alcona County the poverty rate for children under the age of six is 27.4 percent.

So the face of poverty, to a huge extent, is a tiny one – a tiny blue or brown or greeneyed, crinkly nosed little face. And the reason that the highest rates of empty tummies occur in the under six age group is simple – they're not yet eligible for the free breakfast and lunch programs that public school systems offer. For many children, those two meals represent the bulk of the food they eat each day.

One of the great things about kids is that they're not political. They don't vote. They don't even pretend to understand policies or politics. And sadly, about one in five of the kids in your average classroom probably go to sleep each night wishing there had been a little more dinner.

Here are some other interesting facts about those five little kids, and a host of others. For the most part, they have a parent, or parents, who work for a living. The majority of the poor in America today are working poor. Often, even two paychecks won't stretch to meet the rising price of food, coupled with flat-lined benefits.

The toughest among us would contend that those in poverty shouldn't bring these little mouths to feed into the world. Personally, I've always found this argument among the most frustrating. Many of these parents had their children in different times - and five years ago were vastly different times and the reality of the situation is, these kids are here. And they're hungry.

profit organization; its data Their parents aren't bad is accumulated and analyzed parents - oftentimes, they're very good parents. They're by the Gallup organization. According to the report, in just our nation's young



these past few years.

A popular phrase, in the hunger discussion these days, is "food insufficiency." It's one of those governmentcoined terms that makes us less uncomfortable than "hungry kids." But ever since I read this report, I find myself thinking that while we're coining terms and philosophizing on the relative benefits of teaching a man to fish, there are stomachs growling for want of a decent meal. Little stomachs.

Hungry kids don't do as well in school, we know that. They find it harder to concentrate. They find it harder to learn. They're more susceptible to illness. In a country that has so very much, even in the midst of hard times, childhood hunger seems to be something of a crime.

Growing up with parents who ran a grocery store, I learned early that there were people who sometimes faced more month than money. My mom and dad's policy was to put those folks - especially those folks with children -"on the books." Most of them came in later and paid their account. Some of them didn't. That, in our family business at least, was considered part of their contribution to the greater good. Unfortunately, credit at the local grocery isn't much of an option any more.

If that troubles you as much as it does me, there are things you can do. On the local level, you can contribute to one of several food banks-the Alcona Food Bank and My Brother's Hope,

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during the annual spring thaw. Our crews will be using smaller trucks and will be collecting the trash manually.

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#### Alcona FFA

The 2012 Michigan State Convention will be a year to remember for Alcona FFA members and the 2011-2012 Alcona Parliamentary Procedure Team. This year is the first year in Alcona FFA history that a competing team is going to national competition level.

In Parliamentary Procedure, teams of five to seven members demonstrate how to properly conduct a business meeting by using parliamentary law while solving an item of business.

The Alcona Parliamentary Procedure (or Parli Pro) team members included Nicole Wilt (senior), chairperson; Austin Gerard (senior), secretary; Amanda Swinson (senior); Caycee Ouillet (junior); and Victoria Feltes (senior). The team was coached by Renee Wangler.

The Alcona Parli Pro team started out strong placing first, gold, at the district level of competition. It struggled a bit at regional competition receiving second place gold. With that second place, the team was required to compete in the state semi-finals against five other teams, but made a comeback by receiving first place and advancing to the state finals.

Competition continued as the team went up against seven teams from across Michigan. The Alcona Parli Pro team came out on top and received a first place gold award. The team will compete against parli pro teams from each state across the nation at National Convention in Indianapolis, Ind. in October.

### State Convention

On March 6, 21 Alcona FFA members traveled to East Lansing, Mich. to compete at the annual Mchigan FFA State Convention. Members competed in different contests in which they had advanced in from district and regional levels of the leadership contests. Contests included Creed Speaking, Agricultural Issues, Greenhand Conduct of Meetings and Parliamentary Procedure.

Alcona teams placed: Creed Speaking - Brandon Sweet: 11<sup>th</sup> place, silver award; Agricultural Issues -Erica Kennedy, Jacob Golbeck, Amber Schrader, Nicole Pawloski, Lindsey Kennedy, Katelyne Sims and Jaymes Hollnagel: Fifth place, gold award; Greenhand Conduct of Meetings - Maire MacMaster, Rebekah Maturen, Taylor O'Oell, Seth Tulgetski, Shannon Oliver, Sam Bosley and Morgan Stewart: seventh place, silver award; and Parliamentary Procedure - Nicole Wilt, Austin Gerard, Amanda Swinson, Caycee Ouillet and Victoria Feltes: First place, gold award.

Another Alcona FFA member, Austin Scott, received his State FFA Degree and a Proficiency Award in Turf Grass Management from which he received a gold award. The Alcona FFA Chapter also received the National Chapter Award with a gold rating; second place in "Pick Up the Tab," and was recognized for receiving the Glassbrook Endowment Grant.



Nationals bound...the Alcona FFA Parliamentary Procedure Team (front row, from left) Nicole Wilt, Victoria Feltes (back row) Austin Gerard, Caycee Ouillet and Amanda Swinson. This team will travel to Indianapolis, Ind. in October to compete with other state campion Parli Pro teams. *Courtesy photo.* 



# Bowling Scores

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Men's high series: Bill Cordes, 670.

Men's high handicap game: Alan Shillair, 276.

Men's high handicap series: Bill Cordes, 694. Women's high game and series:

Lynn Gibson, 221 and 595. Women's high handicap game: Lynn Gibson, 247. Women's high handicap series: Flora Yingling, 693.

### Early Bloomers

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Alcona FFA Chapter's State Convention Delegation (front row, from left) Rebekah Maturen, Sam Bosley, Shannon Oliver, Brandon Sweet, Victoria Feltes, Nicole Wilt, Lindsey Kennedy, Katelyne Sims, Erica Kennedy, (back row) Connor Hubbard, Morgan Stewart, Maire MacMaster, Seth Tulgetski, Taylor Odell, Caycee Ouillet, Austin Gerard, Amanda Swinson, Jaymes Hollnagel, Amber Schrader, Jacob Golbeck, Nicole Pawloski and Austin Scott. *Courtesy photo.* 



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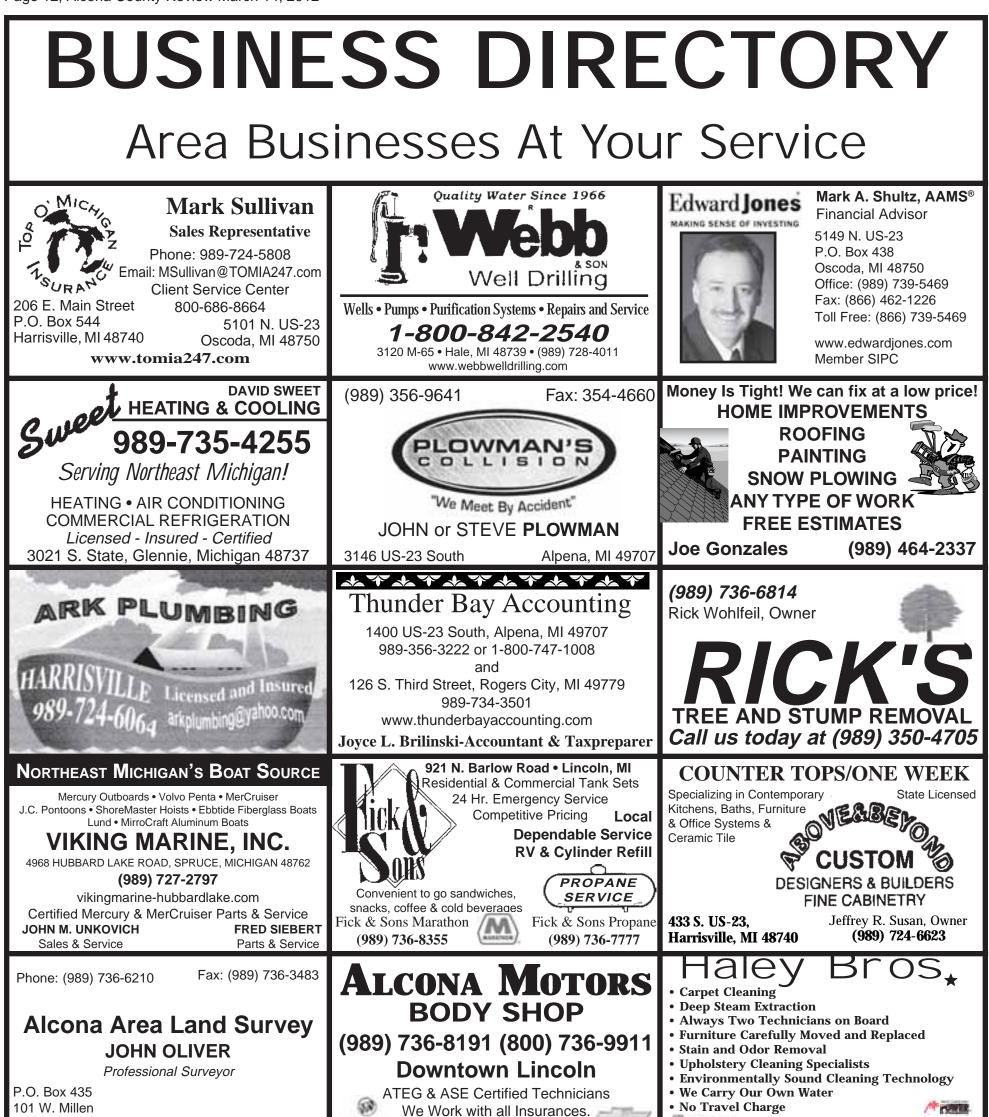
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# NASCAR REPORT Don't get carried away ... Yet

#### NASCAR THIS WEEK **By Monte Dutton**

Early in every season, it's easy to get carried away. The season has 34 more races. Even Jimmie Johnson, who left the Daytona 500 (pending appeal of NASCAR penalties) with minus 23 points, has 24 races to make the Chase.

As if to prove the lunacy of drawing early conclusions, Johnson came back to finish second in the season's second race. He had crashed after one lap at Daytona.

Matt Kenseth, of course, won the 500 for the second time.

In 2009, Kenseth won the 500 and followed it up a week later with a victory in Fontana, Calif. He failed to win again that season and missed the Chase for one of only two times in his career. This time the second race was at Phoenix International Raceway, and Kenseth finished 13th.

Sprint Cup point lead by winning Phoenix's Subway Fresh Fit 500 a week after he finished fourth in the Daytona 500.

Even though it's early yet, Hamlin was ecstatic about his early momentum, especially since he is coming off a bit of a down year.

"Huge momentum," Hamlin said. "We've never been in this position this early in the season. We've always struggled. We've always taken our time — five or six races in — before we hit our stride.

"He (crew chief Darian Grubb) made me a winner today.

Ah, Darian Grubb. He was Tony Stewart's crew chief last year. In fact, Grubb was fired by the reigning champion. He moved to Joe Gibbs Racing, Toyota and Hamlin. As a result, dating back to the 2011 Chase, the winlast 12 races is ... Grubb. Not that the drivers. Stewart and Hamlin, didn't have a lot to do with it. mind you.

Stewart is off to a slow start. Remember, though, that he barely made the

NASCAR has its first two Sprint Cup race winners in Matt Kenseth, left, and Denny Hamlin. The question is: Can they keep their momentum? (John Clark/NASCAR This Week photo)

Denny Hamlin took the ning crew chief in six of the Chase last year, and his performances didn't take off until the Chase, when Stewart won half the 10 championship-deciding races.

In short, it's way too soon to start drawing conclusions.

Monte Dutton covers motorsports for The Gaston (N.C.) Gazette. Email Monte at nascarthisweek@yahoo.com.

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### Calendar of Events

Stu**Centificechfriðmiþagchó**lding its annual Spring Carnival from 3 to 6 p.m. at the high school commons and gym. The afternoon will consist of many children's games, face painting, food, a bounce house, balloons and much more.

#### MONDAY, MARCH 19

White Pine Quilt Guild meets at Hollyhock Quilt Shoppe, 310 E. Main St., Harrisville at 6:30 p.m. For information, call C. Pizer (989) 724-6403.

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

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

All ladies are invited to play Bunco at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Rd. at 2:30 p.m. Bunco is an easy game to learn, first-timers are always welcome.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20 Knitting Klub & Crochet from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. All levels welcome, call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

The Alcona Book Club will meet from noon to 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. The selection for March is "The Traveler's Gift" by Andy Andrews. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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Blood pressure and blood sugar readings at the Curtis Township Hall, 5023 Bamfield Rd., Glennie at 4 p.m.

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

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Foot clinic with Connie Cosbett R.N. from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. Cost is \$25, appointment required, call (989) 736-8879.

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 22**

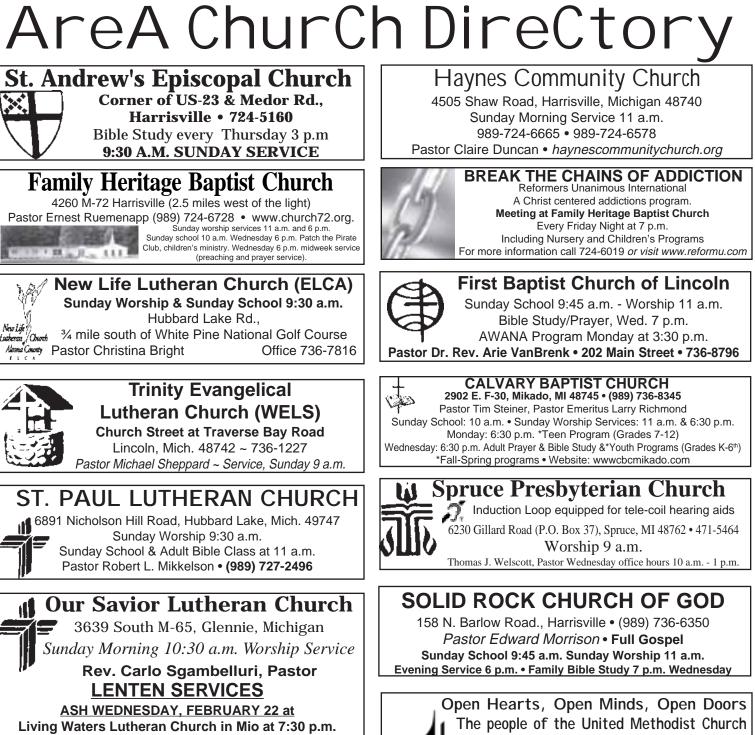
TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:15 a.m., meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. Handicap accessible. First meeting is free. Call, (989) 739-4483 or (989) 278-9674 for more information.

Bible study at 3 p.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 745 N. US-23 Harrisville (corner of US-23 and Medor Rd.). For more information, call (989) 335-4054.

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

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Midweek Lenten Services. March 1, March 15 and March 29 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Glennie at 7:30 p.m. (Thursdays) Midweek Lenten Services, March 8, March 22 and April 5 at Living Waters Lutheran Church in Mio at 7:30 p.m. (Thursdays) <u>GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE at</u> Our Savior Lutheran Church in Glennie at 7:30 p.m. <u>EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE at</u> Our Savior Lutheran Church in Glennie at 10:30 a.m. *Everyone Welcome!* 

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

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To Advertise your Church Call the Review office at 724-6384 AARP tax preparation from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

The Alcona County Amateur Radio Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the EMS building, 2600 E. M-7. Anyone interested in emergency and public service communications is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Stan Darmofal (989) 724-5550.

Soup and pie supper at Harrisville United Methodist Church from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

### Local Notes

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mail zeimendi-@msu.edu. To register, provide name, email, phone number and workshop time.

#### St. Joseph Scholarship

St. Joseph Health System (SJHS) Foundation is offering two \$500 community scholarships to high school seniors or graduates from Alcona, Arenac-Eastern, AuGres, Hale, Oscoda, Tawas or Whittemore-Prescott this year. Eligibility guidelines are: Must be a high school senior or college student pursuing continuing education in a clinical or allied human studies health care profession or healthcare management field in a one to four year undergraduate degree program, must have a 2.0 GPA, be involved in extracurricular activities and enrolled as a full-time student (12 credit hours).

The foundation also awards scholarships in the amount of \$250 to high school senior dependents of SJHS associates and volunteers who are pursing continuing education in a field of their choice through college, trade school or a certification program.

The Dr. Patrick and Kathleen Murtha President's Scholarship Fund will award \$1,000 to a full-time associate at SJHS with a minimum of three years employment history.

'The scholarship program was established in 2009, with the generous support of our volunteer family, to support academic achievements of local high school students

who will continue higher education in healthcare as well as support associates of the health system who are pursuing an undergraduate degree in a health profession. Last year 13 recipients were awarded a total of \$4,500," said Shelley Buresh, executive director of St. Joseph Foundation.

Eligibility guidelines and scholarship applications are available through the high school counseling offices, by calling the foundation at (989) 362-0159 or visiting www.sjhsysfoundation.org. Applications must be received by April 16.

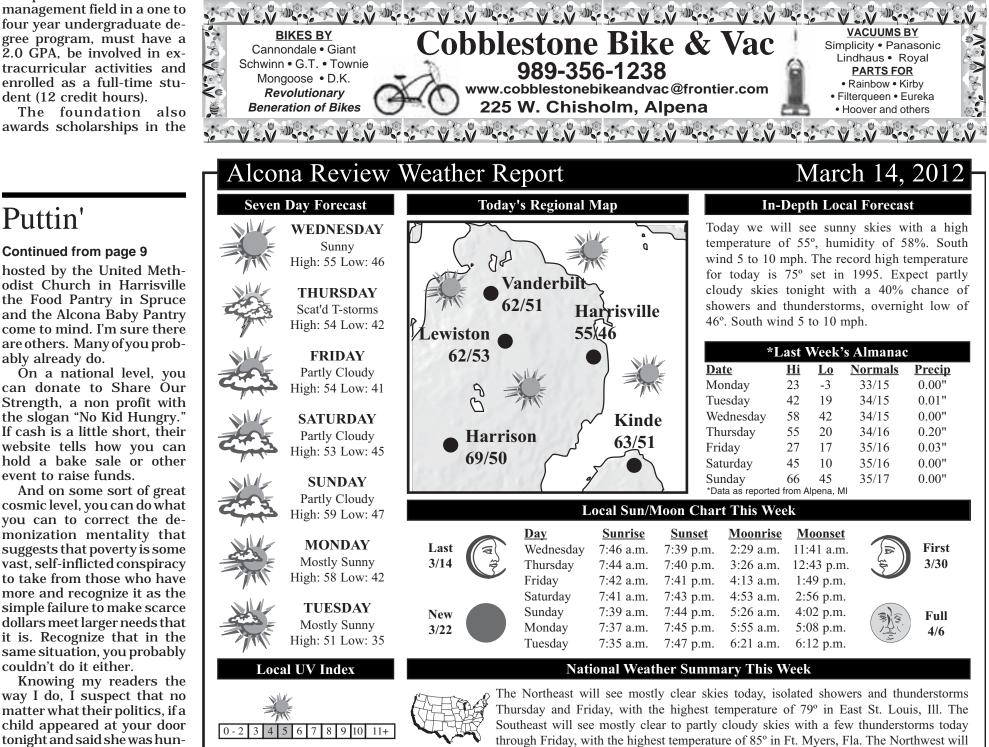
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### HAWES TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

will hold a public hearing to consider a request for a variance requested by Sean and Jacqueline Guitar for their property at 702 W. Lake Street, Spruce, MI. They are requesting a variance involving Sections 8.01, 8.02 and 8.03 of the Hawes Township Zoning Ordinance. If granted the variance will allow the Guitars to move the present garage back from the road while maintaining the grandfathered lot coverage.

The hearing will be held on Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 7 PM at the South Shore Fire Hall on Mt. Mariah Rd. at the South end of Hubbard Lake, Hawes Township, MI. The public is welcome to attend and comment on the request. Written comments may be sent to Pam Idema, Hawes Township Clerk, 2280 E. Quick Rd, Lincoln, MI 48742. Richard VanDam

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gry, you'd raid the pantry to find them a sandwich, a bowl of soup or a plate of leftovers. Recognize then, that when we talk about the poor and "food insufficiency" it's the same thing, on a much, much larger scale.

Who knows, maybe reaching out a bit will give your own dinner a little extra spice each evening.

For sure, it will make you able to return the blue or brown or green-eyed gaze of the little person with the grumbly tummy. And that, I'm certain, will help you get into heaven.

(Kathryn Kniep has contributed to the Alcona County Review for more than 27 years. She and her husband, Art, live in Harrisville.)

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### **Tonight's Planets**

<u>Rise</u> <u>Set</u> Mercury 7:56 a.m. 8:45 p.m. 9:17 a.m. 11:44 p.m. Venus Mars 6:01 p.m. 7:44 a.m. Jupiter 9:33 a.m. 11:31 p.m. 10:20 p.m. 9:22 a.m. Saturn 8:12 a.m. 8:24 p.m. Uranus

see partly cloudy to cloudy skies with scattered rain today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 74° in Torrington, Wyo. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today and Thursday, isolated showers Friday, with the highest temperature of 85° in Gila Bend, Ariz.

#### Weather History

March 14, 1987 - A powerful storm in the western U.S. produced 15 inches of snow in the Lake Tahoe Basin of Nevada, and wind gusts to 50 mph at Las Vegas, Nev. Thunderstorms in the Sacramento Valley of California spawned a tornado which hit a turkey farm near Corning.

#### Weather Trivia

What is the highest wind speed ever recorded on the surface of the Earth?

Answer: On top of Mount Washington, N.H., a gust of 231 mph was measured.

#### www.WhatsOurWeather.com

#### StarWatch By Gary Becker - Chachapoyas or Bust

In the litany of psyching myself for summer, it begins with the first day of March, continues with setting the clocks ahead (March 11), with the beginning of spring (March 19), with Easter (April 8), and culminates with Memorial Day (May 28). When I was working in the public schools, there was still almost four weeks of teaching remaining before the big summer break, but somehow Memorial Day, with its cookouts and outdoor activities, captured best the spirit of summer. In my crazy way of marching towards those "lazy days," we have straddled the first two hurdles and are now headed for the vernal equinox late on March 19, when the sun will shine directly over the equator. For my former student, Sarabeth Brockley, who is now in the Peace Corps stationed in Chachapoyas, Peru, six degrees south of the equator, the magic moment of a zenith sun already happened on March 4. What does this mean for us living at a mid-latitude location of 40 degrees north? When Sarabeth saw a zenith sun, it was only 44 degrees above the horizon at noon, still snow time for us. On the Vernal Equinox, after 16 days of climbing, the sun will stand at an altitude of 50 degrees at 1 p.m., EDT. That's a six degree jump in just under 2-1/2 weeks. By Good Friday, April 6, a 17day interval, the sun will rocket another six degrees northward, gaining a degree in altitude in our sky for each degree that Sol treks northward. On that day the sun will reach a height of 56 degrees, a 12 degree jump in just one month's time. For Sarabeth, the sun will be 12 degrees lower in her sky, transiting in the north at 78 degrees, but her equatorial location will always preclude warm conditions. In fact, her situation would be downright miserable if it were not tempered by Chachapoyas' 7,700 foot elevation. Happy summer, Sarabeth, in a land where it's always summertime... www.astronomy.org

### TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

1. HISTORY: In what year did the RMS Titanic sink, killing 1,517 people? 2. GEOGRAPHY: What is the largest country in South America?

3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: In what year was the festival of Kwanzaa established?

4. POLITICS: Nellie Tayloe Ross was the first woman governor of what state? 5. **MOVIES:** Which Disney movie's soundtrack features five Elvis Presley songs?

6. SUPERHEROES: What was the name of The Green Hornet's car?

7. SCIENCE: What substance speeds the rate of a chemical reaction?

8. LANGUAGE: What is the meaning of the Latin word "contra"?

9. MUSIC: What is the name of Tom Petty's backup band?

10. PERSONALITIES: What actress was briefly married to boxer Mike Tvson?

Answers: 1. 1912; 2. Brazil; 3. 1966; 4. Wyoming; 5. "Lilo & Stitch"; 6. Black Beauty; 7. A catalyst; 8. Against; 9. The Heartbreakers; 10. Robin Givens. (c) 2012 King Features Synd., Inc.

### Everybody's Super Crossword

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### **MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel**

• On April 1, 1700, English pranksters begin popularizing the annual tradition of playing April Fool's jokes. In keeping with the fun, in 1957 the BBC reported that Swiss farmers were experiencing a record spaghetti crop and showed footage of people harvesting noodles from trees.

• On March 29, 1806, the Great National Pike, also known as the Cumberland Road, becomes the first highway funded by the national treasury. The initial appropriation of \$30,000 was made by congressional act and covered the first leg through the Appalachian Mountains to Wheeling on the Ohio River.

• On March 30, 1867, the U.S. government puts the finishing touches a deal to purchase Alaska. It paid Alaska's owner, Russia, \$7.2 million, or roughly 2 cents per acre of land. Among many Republicans the deal was derisively known as "Seward's Folly," after U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward.

• On March 31, 1889, the Eiffel Tower is dedicated in Paris. Gustave Eiffel's tower was greeted with skepticism from critics, who argued that it would be structurally unsound. Within a few decades the tower came to be regarded as an architectural masterpiece.

• On March 26, 1937, America's first monument to a comic strip hero is unveiled in Crystal City, Texas. The 6-foottall, brightly colored concrete statue of Popeye was unveiled in Popeye Park during the city's second annual Spinach Festival.

• On March 27, 1964, the strongest earthquake in American history, measuring 8.4 on the Richter scale, slams southern Alaska, creating a deadly tsunami. Some 125 people were killed and thousands injured. The tidal wave devastated towns along the Gulf of Alaska and caused carnage in British Columbia, Canada; Hawaii and the West Coast of the United States.

• On March 28, 1979, the worst accident in the history of the U.S. nuclear power industry begins when a pressure valve in the Unit-2 reactor at Three Mile Island in Pennsylvania fails to close. As engineers struggled to understand what had happened, the reactor came within less than an hour of a complete meltdown. (c) 2012 King Features Synd., Inc.

### **STRANGE BUT TRUE** by Samantha Weaver

• It was noted American science fiction author Philip K. Dick who made the following sage observation: "Reality is that which, when you stop believing in it, doesn't go away.

• The first chocolate factory in the United States was established even before the states were united. Back in 1765, two enterprising men named John Hanan and James Baker chose Dorchester, Mass., as the site for their factory, which they mechanized by using waterpower.

• If you're like the average American, you eat 23 quarts of ice cream every year.

You might be surprised to learn that the given name of iconic Apache leader Geronimo, Goyathlay, translates as "one who yawns." And the very name Apache isn't what the tribe originally called itself; it's word from the Zuni Indian language, and it means "enemy."

• In a scant 100 years, from 1500 to 1600, the population of the city of London quadrupled in size.

 Singer and songwriter Roger Miller, best known for his hit song "King of the Road," had a passion for music early, even though his family was poor. When he was in grade school, he spent his weekends picking cotton so he could save up enough money to buy a guitar. After eighth grade he quit school and went to work herding cattle and riding in rodeos.

• Interestingly, the word pudding" came into the English language from the German word "puddek," which means "sausage."

Thought for the Day: "We are not afraid to entrust the American people with unpleasant facts, foreign ideas, alien philosophies and competitive values. For a nation that is afraid to let its people judge the truth and falsehood in an open market is a nation that is afraid of its people." — John F. Kennedy

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### LEGAL NOTICES

#### Notice Of Mortgage **Foreclosure Sale**

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty. Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rochelle Bartz and James Bartz, wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., mortgagee, dated March 13, 2007, and recorded on March 26, 2007 in Liber 440 on page 812, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is

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 Jamie M. Williams, a married woman, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated February 16, 2005 and recorded February 18, 2005 in Liber 413, page 273, Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, successor by merger to Chase Home Finance LLC by claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of eighty-three thousand six hundred sixty-one and 72/100 dollars (\$83,661.72), including interest at 5.5 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on March 21, 2012.

Said premises are situated in township of Caledonia, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The northeast 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of Section 13. Town 28 North, Range 6 East, except a certain parcel of land beginning at a point where the thread of a certain creek intersects the southerly line of the aforesaid described parcel of land thence north and parallel with the westerly line of the aforesaid parcel a distance of 8 rods; thence easterly and parallel with the northerly line of the aforesaid

assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of sixty-nine thousand five hundred sixty-two and 66/100 dollars (\$69,562,66) including interest at 6.25 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 March 28, 2012.

Said premises are located in the township of Gustin, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing 36 rods west of the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 1, Town 26 North, Range 8 East, thence south 8 rods; thence east 8 rods: thence north 8 rods; thence west 8 rods to the point of beginning.

And Lots 1 and 2, Block 36, of the Village of West Harrisville, now known as the Village of Lincoln, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, pages 17, described parcel 20 rods thence southerly and parallel with the easterly line of the aforesaid parcel 8 rods; thence westerly 20 rods to the point of beginning.

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: February 22, 2012 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File No. 392308F01 2-22, 2-28, 3-7 3-14

Alcona County records. Except commencing at the northwest corner of Lot 2, Block 36, thence south 264 feet, thence east 6 feet, thence north 264 feet, thence west 6 feet to the point of beginning.

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: February 29, 2012 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 File No. 310.9622 2-29, 3-7, 3-14, 3-21

10" west 675 31 feet along the

State of Michigan Probate Court **County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate** File No. 12-005041 DE

Estate of Joseph A. Higgison Date of birth: May 5, 1949 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Joseph A. Higgison, who lived at 326 S. Barlow Road, Harrisville, Michigan died February 13, 2012.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Glenda K. Higgison, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at P.O. Box 328, Harrisville, MI 48740 and the named/ proposed personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: March 6, 2012 David H. Cook P40560 5466 M-72, P.O. Box 585 Harrisville, MI 48740 (989) 724-5155 Glenda K. Higgison 1980 Circle Drive Fairgrove, MI 48733

### **SPORTS SIGN UP**

Alcona Little League youth baseball and softball 2012 sign-up March 17 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Alcona High School lobby and Lincoln Outdoor Center during business hours.

Forms can be requested from AlconaLL@charter.netRegistration deadline April 21, 2012.

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Experienced tool maker wanted for Oscoda area. The right candidate will have a minimum of seven years experience, ability to work from verbal or drawing instructions, capable of using all tool room equipment including prototrak, lathes, mills, grinders, gauges, mics, calipers, et cetera, flexible to shift changes and overtime. Extreme accuracy is required. Position works under minimum supervision. Send resume with references to losco County News Herald, P.O. Box 72, East Tawas, Mich. 48730.

Maintenance II staff (as needed): High school graduate preferred. Experience in areas of general and routine maintenance of buildings and equipment to include; carpentry, painting, minor plumbing and electrical repairs, snow removal and general upkeep of lawns and surrounding landscape. Responsible for performance of general maintenance of agency buildings, equipment and agency vehicles. This position is an "on call" as needed basis as assigned and reports to the appropriate supervisor according to location of duties. Application can be accessed on our website at nemcmh.org or call (989) 358-7701 for application. Application can be mailed to: Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health, 400 Johnson Street, Alpena, Mich. 49707 or fax (989) 358-7705. Equal opportunity employer.

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#### Notice of Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jeffrey C. Berryman and Colleen E. Berryman and Roberta J. New to H.P.C. Credit Union, whose address is 1234 West Chisholm Street, Alpena, Mich. 49707.

The mortgage is dated August 8, 2007 and recorded on August 13. 2007 at Liber 444, page 989, 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 two hundred two thousand one hundred ninety-seven and 92/100 dollars (\$202, 197.92) 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 prop-

erty described below at public auction to the highest bidder at the Alcona County Courthouse located at 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 10 a.m. The property will be sold to pay the amount due on the mortgage with 5.75 percent interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes and insurance that the mortgagee pays on or before the date of sale.

The property described in the mortgage and subject to sale is as follows: Parcel 23-A of certificate of survey of D.R. Mac-Neill & Associates, W.O. No. 17-286-4500-486306, dated March 13, 2005 and recorded March 20, 2005 in Liber 428, pages 1,343-1,345, described as; part of the northeast 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 and all that part of the northwest 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 17. Town 28 North, Range 6 East, described as: Commencing at the east 1/4 corner of said Section 17; thence North 89° 51'

east-west 1/4 line to the point of beginning; thence continuing north 89° 51' 10" west 796.94 feet along said east-west 1/4 line; thence south 00° 53' 16" west 250.00 feet parallel to the east north-south 1/8 line; thence south 89° 51' 10" east 150.00 feet parallel to the eastwest 1/4 line to the east northsouth 1/8 line: thence south 00° 53' 16": west 1,062.79 feet along said east north-south 1/8 line to the south east-west 1/4 line; thence north 89° 47' 52" east 642.40 feet along said south east-west 1/8 line: thence north 01° 05' 20" east 1,308.94 feet parallel to the east section line to the point of beginning. Located in the township of Caledonia, county of Alcona, state of Michigan. The period of redemption will be

one year from the date of sale. unless abandoned as defined by MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale. Dated: March 6, 2012 H.P.C. Credit Union, Mortgagee 3-14, 3-21, 3-28, 4-4, 4-11

### **BINGO**

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

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

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

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

### AUCTIONS

**Great Estates Auction** Saturday - March 17th 10:00 AM-Doors Open at 9:00 Preview on Friday, Mar. 16th 612 S. Ripley Blvd. ALPENA 989-727-0011 PaceHongAuctions.com

Downtown Harrisville on the lake one bedroom, den, sitting room with efficiency kitchen including new stove and refrigerator. Unfurnished \$300 per month plus utilities. Must have first and last month's rent plus security. One vear lease, credit check. For appointment to view, call (313) 882-8145 and (989) 724-6970.

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Ads may be brought in to our office at 111 Lake St., Harrisville Cost per ad is \$4.50 for the first 10 words and 15¢ for each word thereafter. Boxed ads are \$5 per column inch.

Ads and payment must be received by 5 p.m. Monday.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### Mortgage Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty. This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Default has been made in the condition of a mortgage made by Sandra L. Dubie, a single woman, whose address is believed to be 2785 East M-72, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 to the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture now known as United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development. The mortgage is dated June 22, 1989 and recorded June 22, 1989 in the Alcona County Register

Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. is at-

tempting to collect a debt. Any informa-

tion we obtain will be used for that pur-

pose. Please contact our office at (248)

539-7400 if you are in active military

Mortgage sale - Default has been made

in the conditions of a mortgage made by

James E. Richardson, a single man, to

Mortgage Electronic Registration Sys-

tems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee

for lender and lender's successors and

assigns, mortgagee, dated November

26, 2007, and recorded on December

200700004141, Liber 448, on page 885,

and assigned by said mortgagee to

GMAC Mortgage, LLC. successor by

merger to GMAC Mortgage Corporation,

as assigned, Alcona County records,

Michigan, on which mortgage there is

claimed to be due at the date hereof the

sum of one hundred thirty-four thousand

Notice of Foreclosure Sale

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage

made by Milton Manney, a single man, of

1370 South McGregor Road, Mikado,

Mich. 48745 to First Federal of Northern

Michigan, 100 South Second Ave., Al-

pena, Mich. 49707, dated December 26,

2007 and recorded in the office of the

register of deeds, for the county of Al-

cona, and state of Michigan, on January

3, 2008 in Liber 449, page 63, on which

there is claimed to be due, at the date of

this notice, for principal, interest and late

As no suit or other legal proceedings

have been filed to recover the debt se-

cured by the mortgage; now, therefore,

fees, the sum of \$87,293.38.

2007, in Document No.

duty.

of Deeds at Liber 226; pages 915-918 and in which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of March 6, 2012 the sum of ninety-one thousand seven hundred ninety-four and 15/100 (\$91,794.15) dollars including interest at 9-3/4 percent per annum. Interest is \$6.81 per day.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged property, or some part thereof, at public vendue, at Alcona County clerk's office in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. on April 11, 2012.

Said premises are situated in the township of Gustin, Alcona County, Michigan and are described as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner of the southeast quarter (SE-1/4) of Section 12, T26N, R8E, thence east 308 feet to the

one hundred five dollars and twenty-two

cents (\$134,105.22), including interest

at 6.625 percent per annum. Under the

power of sale contained in said mort-

gage and the statute in such case made

and provided, notice is hereby given that

on April 11, 2012.

records.

POB: thence continuing east 100 feet; thence north 433 feet; thence west 100 feet; thence south 433 feet to the POB. Together with an easement for ingress and egress over a parcel described as commencing at the said SW corner of the W-1/2 of W-1/2 of SE-1/4, Section 12, T26N, R8E, thence east 408 feet to the POB, thence continuing east 26 feet, thence north 433 feet, thence west 26 feet, thence south 433 feet to the POB; said easement to be for the mutual use of the John R. & Christel E. Kensa (grantors) and Sandra L. Dubie (grantee) to be used for ingress and egress and utility purposes only by the parties hereto.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale or abandonment, if abandonment occurs after sale. Dated: March 6, 2012. 3-14, 3-21, 3-28, 4-4

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under 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.

GMAC Mortgage, LLC successor by merger to GMAC Mortgage Corporation Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 GMAC.007941

3-14, 3-21, 3-28, 4-4

the mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, on the mortgage, with interest thereon at the contract rate and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the premises.

along the centerline of Vandercook Road

to the point of beginning, Alcona County

The premises are described as follows: Situated in the township of Harrisville, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, described as:

Parcel B of certificate of survey by Miller Land Surveys, Job No. 120-96-99, dated April 30,1999 and recorded January 28, 2005 in Liber 412 of surveys, page 711-712, described as: That part of the east 1/2 of the east 1/2 of the SF 1/2 of Section 29

feet; thence S89°11'21"E 665.83 feet (deeded) (659.83 feet as shown on certificate of survey) to the point of beginning. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right of way purposes.

If the property described in this notice is sold at the foreclosure sale referred to above, 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 as provided by MCL 600.3278 or otherwise by law.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale unless the property is determined to be abandoned in accordance with MCI

### VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

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The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, March 5 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledae of Allegiance." Those in attendance included: President Jordan, treasurer Kossa, clerk Somers, deputy clerk/treasurer Stutzman and council members Gauthier, Healy, Naylor, Somers and Stutzman. Absent was council member Lask. Also present were several guests and Attorney Cook.

A request for a variance was read from Ted Shaneour for the zoning board of appeals. Letters were sent out to property owners within 300 feet of the property. Troy Somers, zoning administrator, stated that he had originally turned down the request because it did not meet the requirements set forth in the zoning ordinances. Troy expressed concern about granting the variance because in the past a similar request was turned down. President Jordan stated that we have to look forward for 25 to 30 years and that we need to be fair in our decision.

Attorney Cook asked about looking to see if there is a hardship that may apply because of anything that would distinguish this request from any others past or present. He stated that it is possible because of lot sizes being different in the Brownlee Lake subdivision. Joan Gonvea spoke in favor of allowing the variance. She felt the request was favorable because it will improve the looks of the property. Council member Somers expressed concern about whether ditches could be put there in the future. President Jordan is concerned about whether guard rails and/or fencing would be requested for this property. Letters of support were read from three more propertv owners.

Council members were offered the opportunity to speak for or against. Bonny Gauthier stated that she is concerned about setting a precedent and having to allow future variance requests in the same manner. She said that in view of all the good things the Shaneours have done for the community she would like to be able to grant the request. However, she has concern about future requests. A motion was then made by Gauthier, with support from Stutzman, to turn down the variance request. Motion carried. Ted Shaneour thanked the council/zoning board of appeals for its consideration in the matter.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved on a motion from Gauthier with support from Somers. Motion carried. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Gauthier with support from Somers. Treasurer Kossa advised that spending should be kept down as much as pos-

TIFFA Alcona County	\$ \$	47,370.00
TIFFA Gustin County		6,780.00
TIFFA Gustin Twp. Fire M		0
	\$	9,820.00
TIFFA Village of Lincoln		74,435.00
Subtotal		39,555.00
TIFFA Passthrough	\$	,
Hunt Program		4,910.00
Subtotal	\$	-,
Total Income	\$2	35,266.62
Expenses		
Administrative	\$	500.00
Beautification	\$	2,000.00
DDA Consultant	\$	24,000.00
Economic Development	\$	17,600.00
Financial Audits	\$	2,500.00
Fire Department	\$	1,200.00
Legal Fees	\$	
Irrigation System	\$	1,500.00
Membership Per Diem	\$	3,600.00
Mobile Equipment	\$	13,500.00
Snow Removal Equipment		22,300.00
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Motion carried. Planning chairperson Connie Stutzman stated that the planning commission will be holding another meeting on March 15 at 6 p.m. with representatives from Gustin Township. In old business Healy asked about the snow removal on the sidewalks. President Jordan stated that he hopes to have things cleaned up this week. She asked about whether Ron Stout will be in charge of the cleanup. Jordan stated that Ron will continue doing snow removal as agreed at the January meeting, and this incident was not his fault. Gauthier stated that she needs figures from the ball team coaches/managers for the grant she is applying for. She has all the paperwork finished with the exception of price quotes. This information is needed soon as the deadline for application is April 1. In new business Stutzman stated that he will be taking gout flower boxes for use at the Flights of Imagination area. Somers stated that he will have the sidewalks completely cleared tomorrow morning. Naylor stated that he was contacted about the traveling plaque from the Light up the Village contest in December. Healy will check into this matter.

President Jordan stated that the recent drama club play at the senior citizen center was outstanding. He said there was an excellent turnout and the dinner. play, decorations and music were great. He stated that all the funding has been received for the streetscape grants along Second and Traverse Bay streets. He in the

said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. o'clock, Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: Commencing at the southwest corner of southeast 1/4 of southeast 1/4 of Section 17. Town 25 North, Range 8 East, thence north 20 rods, thence east 16 rods, thence south 20 rods, thence west 16 rods,

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s hereby given that on Wednesday, the 18 <sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012 at 10 o'clock a.m. section line being the centerline of	By: Sandra L. Jasinski (P37430) Debt Collector for First Federal of	Leroy Hall, fire chie been a slow month a		we are hoping to garner is for the fa- cades of four area businesses. This
by virtue of the power of sale contained 1/2 of the east 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 29, T26N, R9E, described as: Commencing at the southeast corner of said Section	doned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a. Bodman PLC Dated: March 14, 2012	should be kept dow sible in an effort to b up.		Second and Traverse Bay streets. He commended everyone involved in the grant processes. He said the next grant

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Village Clerk

### Help Continued from page 1

hosted at the two sites by a variety of local churches which supply the food and volunteers. Armstrong noted that even though the churches do help every month, volunteers are still needed for the free store and they are in need of cash donations to continue operating.

The Alcona Baby Pantry helps Alcona County children ages new born to five years old with basic needs such as clothes, formula, baby food, blankets, bottles, furniture, and car seats. The baby pantry is open on the first Wednesday of the month from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Raphael Catholic Church.

According to Jessica Smith, newly elected baby pantry president, the baby pantry serves 20 to 50 families a month. Donations may be made at the church on the first Tuesday of the month between 9 a.m. and noon or items may be dropped off at St. Vincent de Paul in Mikado during regular business hours; donors just need to say the items are intended for the baby pantry.

**Spruce Lutheran Food Pantry** offers food items three times a month; on the first and second Wednesday and the last Saturday of the month from 1 to 3 p.m. The pantry provides food for 120 to 150 families.

Delores Dusterhoft operates the pantry at Spruce Lutheran Church. She explained that anyone needing food may use this service. The Spruce Lutheran Food Pantry receives donations and grants but because the need is so great, more is always appreciated.

Solid Rock Church on Barlow Road in Lincoln holds a food pantry open on the fourth Saturday of every month from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Lorraine and Dan Crannie have been operating the food pantry there for about 10 years providing food boxes for about 60 families a month. "Anybody in need of food may come," said Lorraine Crannie, "They do have to actually be in need and provide us with some basic information about where they live and how many people are in their family and a few other details, which is something we just recently started asking for.'

"We receive donations from our church and a local grocery store helps a great deal. God has been able to see us through each month. For such a little church, our members are generous and they all really help, financially or by volunteering or both. We also do fund-raising by selling ornaments at Christmas." Lott Baptist Church in Glennie provides a food pantry on the first Tuesday of the month at 2:15 p.m. "We are limited to only serving families in certain areas, such as Glennie and Curtisville and a few outlining areas that are not served by other pantries," said Margo Lowery, "It's best to call first and see if you are located in one of the areas we serve." Lowery explained serving close to 104 families a month can get difficult. "We accept donations, cash or dry goods, canned goods, anything non perishable. We also do fundraisers to get donations," she said.

One of the more widely known sources in Alcona County for helping people in need is St. Vincent de Paul in Mikado. Leo Marciniak explained the store sells used items at very low prices and also helps people in need pay utility bills, housing expenses or supply food items on an emergency basis on Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Marciniak said applicants for emergency needs must live in the county and certify that they are in need by providing information in person. "We supply emergency service to 15 to 20 people a month with enough funds and food, to hopefully, last them a few weeks. We do more at Christmas and provided 172 boxes this past December," Marciniak said.

St. Vincent accepts donations of household items and clothes as well as food items in store sealed packages. They can only accept commercially processed meat. "If the extra venison you have left was processed commercially, we can accept it, but if you processed it yourself, unfortunately, we cannot," Marciniak said. "Of course we accept cash donations as well. I plan ahead for the year and start buying in January for the following December.

Organizers of the food pantry's and My Brother's Hope's Potluck Café all said the need for their services is definitely great and has increased monumentally over the past few years. The community has been wonderful in helping to fill all the pantries, but more is always needed and appreciated.

Where to receive food and how to help these organizations:

• Alcona Food Pantry, P.O. Box 342, Harrisville, Mich. 48740, (989) 724-6451

\* Provides food to Alcona County residents at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 N. State Street in Harrisville on the second Saturday of the month. Food recipients are asked to bring in identification and their own boxes to carry food items home.

In emergency situations they may be able to provide food at other times of the week.

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haircuts are provided. Hair must be clean.

\* How to help: Cash/check donations. Volunteers are needed for the free store on the second Saturday of the month.

 Alcona County Baby Pantry, P.O. Box 36, Mikado, Mich. 48745, (989) 254-4041

Provides Alcona County children in need from new born to five years old with clothing, formula, baby food, blankets, bottles, bath essentials, furniture and car seats on the first Wednesday of the month from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado.

\* Will provide emergency service on other dates if needed by calling either (989) 254-4041 or (989) 305-5440.

\* How to help: Donations of children's items either new or gently used. Sealed formulas and baby food. Cash/check donations can be mailed to the above address. Item donations can be brought to St. Raphael Catholic Church on the first Tuesday of the month from 9 a.m. to noon or taken to St. Vincent de Paul in Mikado during regular operating hours.

 Spruce Lutheran Emergency Food Pantry, 1246 E. Spruce Road, Spruce, Mich. 48762; (989) 727-2459 or (989) 727-2602.

\* Provides food items to anyone in need of food on the first and second Wednesday and the last Saturday of the month from 1 to 3 p.m.

\* How to help: Volunteers are needed. Donations of paper products, soaps and necessary items as well as cash/ check donations.

 Solid Rock Church of God, 158 N. Barlow Road, Harrisville, MI 48740, (989) 736-6350

\* Provides food items to anyone in need on the fourth Saturday of the month from 9 to 10 a.m. at the church. Provides emergency items if needed at other times.

\* How to help: Cash/check donations may be sent to the church. For further donation information, call Dan or Lorraine Crannie at (989) 724-7104.

• Lott Baptist Church, 4257 State Road, Glennie, Mich., 48737, (989) 735-3438

\* Food pantry is available on the first Tuesday of the month to limited area residents in need within Glennie and Curtisville and other areas. Call to first to ensure residency within the area restrictions. \* How to help: Donations of dry goods, canned goods, nonperishable items accepted. Cash/Check donations can be sent to Lott Baptist Food C/O Margo Lowery, 4475 Kings Corner Road, Glennie, Mich. 48737

# **CLASSIFIEDS**

### VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

Gasoline

Equipment Rentals/Gen

Revenues/General Fund

Other Revenues/Misc.

Works/Transportation

Routine Maintenance

Winter Maintenance

**Total Expenditures** 

Village Raised Tax

State Revenue Sharing

Major Street Fund Expenditures Public

Salaries/General

**Payroll Liabilities** 

Decoration Fund

Current Tax Levy

State Cons. Tax

Total Revenues

Fire Contracts

Interest

Salaries

Revenues

Administration

Total Expenditures

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, March 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the village hall. The purpose of the meeting was to hear public comments regarding the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2012-2013. Those present included: President Jordan, treasurer Kossa, clerk Somers, deputy clerk/treasurer Stutzman and council members, Gauthier, Healy, Naylor, Somers and Stutzman. Council Member Lask was absent. No public discussion was heard.

Treasurer Kossa stated that the proposed revenues should be adequate to support the proposed budget. She noted that we need to be cautious and keep our spending in line. She expressed concern about the road funding for Major and Local Streets that the state has talked about cutting. A motion was made by Gauthier, with support from Stutzman, to adopt the budget. Motion carried. Following is the 2012-2013 Budget. neral Fund - Expenditu

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Treasurer	\$ 8,786.50	Public Works/Transportation			
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Council	\$ 6,750.00	Winter Maintenance	\$ 3,000.00		
Professional Fees	\$ 7,500.00	Salaries	\$ 6,500.00		
Utilities	\$ 8,500.00	Administration	<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>		
Zoning	\$ 6,500.00	Total Expenditures	\$ 23,000.00		
Insurances	\$11,000.00	Revenues			
Maintenance	\$13,000.00	State Revenue Sharing	\$12,000.00		
Other	\$ 8,500.00	Village Raised Tax	<u>\$11,000.00</u>		
Public Safety		Total Revenues	\$23,000.00		
FD Salaries	\$ 7,000.00	Sewer Fund Expenditures			
FD Gasoline	\$ 1,200.00	Salaries	\$ 3,000.00		
FD Utilities	\$ 2,000.00	Engineering	\$ 500.00		
FD Insurance	\$ 5,000.00	Insurance	\$ 1,000.00		
FD Supplies	\$ 1,500.00	Maintenance	\$ 4,234.20		
FD Other	\$ 7,500.00	Equipment Rental	\$ 2,000.00		
FR Salaries	\$ 7,000.00	Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>		
FR Other	\$ 2,000.00	Total Expenditures	\$ 11,734.20		
Capital Outlay	\$15,000.00	Revenues			
Debt Service Principal	\$13,000.00	47.7 Units X 20.50 per me	onth		
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Recreation & Culture			\$ 11,734.20		
Maint. & Improve.	\$ 5,000.00	Total Revenues	\$ 11,734.20		
Street Lights/Utility	\$12,000.00	Lin	da K. Somers		
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### USDA REAL ESTATE FORECLOSURE SALE

2785 E M-72, HARRISVILLE, MI 48740 Minimum Bid: \$20,600.00 (or best offer above minimum bid) OFFER MUST BE IN FORM OF CERTIFIED CHECK THE DAY OF THE SALE DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY. 3BR, 1B, 1 STORY, 1 CAR ATTACHED. DATE & TIME OF SALE: APRIL 11, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. PLACE OF SALE Alcona County Clerk's Office 106 5th Street, Harrisville, MI 48740 FOR INFO CONTACT:800-349-5097 x 4500 Or USDA Rural Development 1501 Cass Street, Traverse City, MI 49684 For future foreclosure sales and inventory property access our website: www.resales.usda.gov Super Crossword Answers VILLAGE OF

needed to help organize and carry boxes.

• My Brother's Hope, P.O. Box 205, Harrisville, Mich. 48740, (989) 724-6365

\* Provides a nutritious meal at the Potluck Café held on the second Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to noon at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 N. State Street in Harrisville. Also available to public on that day is the My Brother's Hope Free Store which disperses clothing, personal care and house-hold items.

\* Provides a nutritious meal at the Potluck Café held on the fourth Friday of every month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 E. F-30, Mikado. No free store is available during this meal, instead free

• St. Vincent de Paul, 2227 F-41, Mikado, Mich. 48745, (989) 736-6271

\* Provides emergency food and funding for utility bills and housing on a limited basis for Alcona County residents.

\* How to help: Donation of almost any item accepted Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cash/check donations may be sent to St. Vincent de Paul, P.O. Box 13, Mikado, Mich. 48745.

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