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Free showing of Oscar-nominated film coming to Lincoln

By Cheryl Peterson

Editor

A free community event centered around the motion picture "Lincoln," directed by Steven Spielberg, is being planned next Tuesday in the Village of Lincoln.

The event, which begins at 5 p.m. February 12 at the Alcona High School auditorium, will feature music by the Swollen Fingers String Band, a group of area musicians; displays by the Alcona County Civil War Guardians;

student essay winners and a screening panel consisting of local professionals.

According to Village of Lincoln president Phil Jordan, this event is sponsored by four entities - the Village of Lincoln, Alcona Community Schools and Active Voice and Participant Media, both of California.

Jordan explained the village council was contacted by Active Voice, a group that works to facilitate social change by getting individuals involved in their community and working to make a difference. This effort resonated with Jordan because he finds it very difficult to get residents involved in government boards and committees. "It is so difficult here to get anyone new involved," Jordan said. "These jobs aren't easy, but someone has to step up and do it."

A committee was formed about three weeks ago to plan and promote the event. Committee members include Jordan as chairman, Susan Krey, director of the Alcona County Community on Aging, Todd Kruger from Alcona Community Schools, Bonny Gauthier and Sara Healy from the village council, and residents, Don Franklin and D'Augustino.

"I thought this was a great opportunity to do something nice for residents," Jordan said. "We hope they have fun and hopefully, it will encourage folks to get involved locally - that would be a great bonus."

Don Franklin, who will be the moderator for the screening and panel discussion following the film, said the event is a two pronged approach for residents to have an opportunity to learn about the historical significance of the movie - the 13th Amendment and issue of freedom and equality and how to take those ideas and encourage individuals to get involved "like Lincoln did."

The screening panel will consist of Alcona County Commissioner Sheila Phillips, Jordan, retired high school history and government teacher Bob Petrovich, high school history teacher Ashley O'Connor, Alpena Community College instructor Ken Razinbon, business owner Brad Cole and two high

school honor students.
"Lincoln," staring Daniel
Day Lewis, has been nominated for 12 Academy Awards, including Best Picture. According to promotional material for the event, Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president of the United States, has become an American icon of courage, leadership, diplomacy and moral fortitude. On Tuesday, Feb. President Lincoln's 204th birthday — eight American towns named after Lincoln will take part in a national event celebrating his legacy. Featuring exclusive screenings of the motion picture, each community will use Lincoln's story as a "jumping off point" to examine the meaning of "standing tall," explore complex histories and reflect on the importance of leadership and civic engagement.

This event is free of charge and open to the entire community, however, to view the film reserved seating is required. Anyone wishing to reserve seats is asked to call (989) 736-8195 or (989) 736-8713 on Thursday, Feb. 7 and Friday, Feb. 8 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. or e-mail at rsvplincolnmi@gmail.com Reserved seats will be held until 5:45 p.m. on February



Fire fighters battle an early morning blaze in Lincoln Tuesday. They were called out at 6:35 a.m. to a home near Twin Lakes Cemetery on Trask Lake Road. Those first on the scene found flames through the roof of the dwelling. According to Roger MacNeill, incident command officer and DNR Fire Officer, the family was home when the fire started, but was able to leave without incident or injury. Fire departments from Lincoln, Barton City and Mikado responded to the call as did fire fighters from Harrisville. Photo by Cheryl Peterson.

Two years later, missing police dog case still unsolved

By Cheryl Peterson

Editor Two years after the disappearance of a Michigan State

Police canine officer in northeastern Michigan, the case is classified as "inactive" and

remains unsolved.

According to Michigan State Police Detective Steve Harshberger, the investigation into what happened to Bane, the four-year-old German shepherd, who was lost on November 13, 2010 remains inactive because "we haven't been able to associate anyone with his discovery or demise."

Harshberger said investigators have received numerous tips - primarily early in the investigation - from various sources and all tips have been investigated. "One or two names keep coming up, but we haven't been able to rule out (these individuals) as suspects or show that they were involved... That's frustrating from our perspective.

"Beyond that no other viable tips have panned out in what happened to Bane - either with the recovery of his remains or getting to the truth of what happened... It's a fair assumption that if he was still alive someone would have

brought it to our attention so we could recover him," Harshberger said.

Bane was last seen by his handler, Michigan State Police Trooper Jamie Bullis, in a thick tag alder swamp in Ocqueoc Township in Presque Isle County. They were conducting a missing person search. After the two-hour search and a rest, Bullis had Bane out on his lead in the thick cover when "a deer jumped out literally under his nose," Bullis said. Bane followed the deer and hasn't been seen since.

A month-long active search was conducted by the Michigan State Police and other area law enforcement agencies and an active investigation lasted for several months before the status of the case was changed to inactive.

Bullis, who had been partnered with Bane for 17 months, spent months searching for his partner after he went missing. He was assisted and supported by his family, friends, MSP canine officers and law enforcement officers. When Bane's disappearance became statewide news and, eventually went "viral" on Facebook, thousands of people started

following the story. It was broadcast via news outlets in various parts of the country as well.

Bullis and those close to him were amazed at the amount of support, willingness to help and networking across the country that resulted from more than 12,000 individuals following the situation via Facebook and in the news.

Investigators were amazed as well. The case went very quickly from being a local investigation to a high profile case. "When you have a high profile case like this was, with nationwide attention, you

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Library employees decertify union

By Cheryl Peterson Editor

After two years of meetings, negotiations and waiting, employees of the Alcona County Library decided not to be part of Teamster Local Union No. 214.

Alcona County Library Director Carol Luck received notification on January 11 from union president Joe Valenti that "this Teamsters Local Union no longer wishes to represent the employees of Alcona County - Library and withdraws all interest in this group."

"This was confirmed by notification from the Michi-

gan Employment Relations Commission (MERC)," Luck said. "This notification came after a majority of employees signed a petition in late December requesting that the union be decertified as their representative.'

According to Tom Syma, a part-time employee who works as technical support for the library, the petition to decertify from the union needed a majority of signatures and there was "well more than a majority," he

Syma said he was approached by several co-

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Obituaries

R. Denny McLaughlin

R. Denny McLaughlin, 72 of Lincoln, (Lost Lake Woods Club), died on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2013 at his home.

He was born June 4, 1940, to Charles and Eileen (Schell) McLaughlin in Pontiac, Mich. He was raised in Berkley, Mich.

A long-time resident of Clinton Township, Mich., Mr. McLaughlin was a member of the Asbestos Workers Union Local 25, retiring after 35 years.

He was a member of the Somerset Singles Social Ski and Golf Club. He was an avid sportsman, and was awarded two state championships in archery. He skied professionally all over the world and was an avid golfer. He also enjoyed music,

and taught himself to play the guitar.

Mr. McLaughlin is survived by two daughters, Heidi (Timothy) Weaver of Macomb, Mich. and Robin Schirs of Lake Orion, Mich.; five grandchildren; one brother, Charlie (Clairellen) McLaughlin of Harrisville; and many nieces and nephews.

There will be a memorial service Saturday, Feb. 9 at 11 a.m. at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. The Rev. Lawrence Boks will officiate. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. Memorial donations may be made to the Alcona Humane Society.

William E. Deller

William E. Deller, 77, of Hubbard Lake died on Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013 at Brandon Regional Hospital in Florida.

He was born May 29, 1935 in Harrisville to William and Mabel (Brown) Deller.

He attended and graduated from Harrisville schools in 1955. He served with the U.S. Army 101st Airborne from 1956 to 1958. Mr. Deller played baseball with the Boston Red Sox organization for two years.

On August 18, 1962 he married Anne M. Badder at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Ossineke.

Mr. Brown attended Delta College Trade School and retired from Local 85 pipefitters of Saginaw, Mich. in 1993.

The couple wintered in Florida for 23 years. He enjoyed fixing cub cadet tractors he collected and taking his Camaro Iroc to car shows.

Mr. Deller went to Detroit Tiger baseball games with his son, he raced snowmobiles professionally for 35 years, liked Nascar Number 24 and was a loyal Michigan State University fan. He was a member of the VFW and the Alpena Hall of Fame. He was an avid deer hunter.

Mr. Deller is survived by his wife, Anne; two daughters, Cindy (Neil) Bellmore of Alpena and Dr. Julie Deller of West Virginia; one son, Greg (Lynn) Kirchoff of Herron, Mich.; one grandson, Greg Kirchoff, of Celebration, Fla.; one sister-in-law, Judy Decaire of Clio, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one son, William J. Deller; one sister, Dorothea LaLonde; three brothers, Kenneth Deller, Clifford Deller and Elmer Deller; and one brother-in-law, Charlie Decaire in 2012.

The funeral was held Friday, Jan. 11 at Bannan Funeral Home, Alpena. Burial will take place in the spring at St. Catherine Cemetery, Ossineke.

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Siegfried "Sid" Rimatzki, 72, of Spruce died on Monday, Jan. 28, 2013 near his home at Hubbard Lake.

He was born October 3, 1940 in Germany to Jacob and Lydia (Krebbs) Rimatzki. In 1952 he emigrated to the United States with his family, and they lived in North Dakota.

On June 4, 1960 he married Sharon Sefernick in Southfield, Mich., where they were residents for 43 years. They moved to Spruce in 2003.

Mr. Rimatzki worked at Fisher Body of Livonia, Mich. for 30 years, retiring in 1989. He was a member of the New Life Lutheran Church of Spruce and the Hubbard Lake Sportsmen's Club.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

Siegfried Rimatzki

Mr. Rimatzki is survived his wife, Sharon; two daughters, Christine Marie Graham of Port Huron, Mich. and Stephanie Ann (Dennis) Krogstad of Howell, Mich.; two sons, Thomas Joseph (Beth Anne) Rimatzki of Livonia, Mich. and Jay Siegfried (Alisa Dawn) Rimatzki of Livingston, NJ.; one sister, Erna Eldmann of Minot N.D.; five brothers, Werner (Linda) Rimatzki of Farmington Hills, Mich., Edward (Terry) Rimatzki of Waterford, Mich., Carl (Karen) Rimatzki of White Lake, Mich., Donald (Jane) Rimatzki of Walled Lake, Mich. and Bruno (Barbara) Rimatzki of Minot N.D.; 11 grandchildren, Stanley Terrell, Jacob, Hunter, Joshua, Emma, Noah, Anna, Abe and Ellie Rimatzki, and Olivia and Anders Krogstad.

The funeral was held Fri-



day, Feb. 1 at New Life Lutheran Church in Spruce. The Rev. Christina Bright officiated. Memorials may be made to the New Life Lutheran Church building fund or the Hubbard Lake Sportsman's

Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

In regard to the school millage -- my husband and I live on a fixed income. By the time we pay our property taxes, life insurance, house insurance, utilities, health

insurance, medicine, car insurance and fuel for car there's not much money left over for food and clothing.

Now the school is asking for more money that a county can't afford. More upsetting

is that a large portion of that money will be going to Alpena schools. Let's keep our money in Alcona County. Vote "no" February 26.

Karen Sharboneau Lincoln

To the Editor,

I am writing in response to the letter from Michael Maturen, who stated "the current millage proposal that will be voted upon February 26 is simply bad for voters" because of what he perceives as an unfair distribution of millage revenue.

His argument is sadly intended to divide people along school district lines. The truth is this millage is not an individual school district issue. It is an Educational Service District (ESD)-wide election. The tax base for this millage is the state equalized value (SEV) of all property within Alpena, Montmorency, Alcona (AMA)-ESD.

By law the money for the millage is collected ESD-wide and is distributed on a perpupil basis. It goes to whatever school district the student attends within AMA. There is no set amount of revenue that a single school district will receive and the amount is certain to change each year.

The argument that voters in Alcona will send \$1.5 million and only see \$770,000 return suggests that those voters are the ones sending the entire \$1.5 million and that they are getting a poor return on their investment. The truth is that the voters in Alcona will pay approximately \$797,000. Most

would say that is a pretty good return on investment.

Mr. Maturen's advice to readers to "not fall prey to marketing that is only telling half of the story" is ironic, since that is exactly what he did with his letter.

I wish Mr. Maturen could consider the implications of voting down this millage. The very school district that he says he supports 100 percent will be one of the districts most negatively impacted. The kids of Alcona and all area schools deserve better than to be pawns in a war over taxation. I urge you to support this millage and help "Our Kids First."

> Marlene Abraham **Hubbard Lake**

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2012-2013

		Weekly R	<u>Report</u>	Miles Pe	r Hour	
	Temperat	ure (F°)	Precipitation	Av. Wind	High	Dominant
<u>Date</u>	<u>High</u>	Low	<u>Inches</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Direction</u>
Jan. 27	29	11	0.11	7.5	28	SW
Jan. 28	36	29	0.15	5.0	25	SSW
Jan. 29	40	32	0.64	3.7	19	SW
Jan. 30	43	29	0.71	1.5	25	NNE
Jan. 31	29	15	0.01	3.6	28	N
Feb. 1	22	12	Т	2.9	17	N
Feb. 2	20	8	0.00	2.5	15	N

	Precipitation Su	ımmary (Inches)	20012-2013
	Water	Snow	Normal
	<u>Content</u>	<u>Fall</u>	Water Content
Weekly Total	1.62	5.6	0.35
Month of January	2.72	9.5	1.76
February to Date	T	T	0.10
Year/Season to Date	2.72	16.4	1.86

Climatological Observations taken by Stanley L. Darmofal at the Harrisville National Weather Service Coop Station located 1.8 miles NNE of Harrisville Post Office. Observations for each day are from midnight through 11:59 p.m. T=Trace (less than 0.005" Water Content.)

-Letters to the Editor-

To the Editor,

A letter to the Alpena News Editor referred me to www.ourkids1st.com. It was a very professional, possibly political, site with a video tugging at your heart.

Notice the address of the Our Kids 1st is 2118 US-23 South, Alpena. That is the AMA-ESD building, which we, the taxpayers (Atlanta, Hillman, Alcona and Alpena), own. We finance and are accountable for all the activities within the building.

Are we allowing a possible political action committee to call our building home? Are we allowing our employees to generate propaganda, videos, documents, et cetera with the use of our computers, papers, et cetera? The

chairperson of this registered committee is the AMA-ESD superintendent. The assistant superintendent of AMA-ESD is the collector of campaign funds and record keeper for Our Kids 1st.

The Our Kids 1st committee as recorded with Alpena County shows their address at 2118 US-23 South, committee fax (989) 356-3385, which is our AMA-ESD fax line, owned by the taxpayers

Any one or all of the above could possibly be a violation of the Campaign Finance Act. If no direct violation, at least these procedures are questionable and possibly unethical. Precedence may have been established for any in-

dividual or political committee to use our facilities and equipment.

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Get to the polls February 26 and tell the administrators and boards, if they cannot do their jobs legally and professionally, to move on. Maybe charter schools are the answer? Vote no February 26.

Ken Short Harrisville

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, FEBRUARY 6

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church St., from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. all items will be donated to local organizations. Bring your knitting needles, looms, yarn and patterns. Beginning crafters are welcome. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Barton City Improvement Association will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the VFW Hall on Trask Lake Road. All citizens of Barton City are encouraged to attend. Discussion will include a St. Patrick's dinner, kid's fishing tournament and July 4th festivities.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

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

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 Main Street. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Create one of a kind Valentine greeting cards with Michelle using Microsoft Publisher at 10 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 Main Street. Call, (989) 724-6796 to register for this class. Cost is \$2 per person, includes five greeting cards and envelopes.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

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, 312 Main Street. For more information, call (989) 724-6796

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Recycle Alcona County will hold drop off day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lincoln ARA site. Enter and exit through the north gate. For more information, call (989) 724-6546.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

The 22nd Annual Snow Box Derby will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Old Orchard Park, 883 E. River Road, Oscoda. The theme for this year is "Down on the Farm." The gate opens at 10 a.m., races begin at 1 p.m. Enjoy kid's games, toboggan races and refreshments. For more information, call (989) 739-7322.

A Sweetheart Dinner fundraiser will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Curtis Township Hall, 4932 F-30, Glennie. Dinner by donation, all proceeds go to the Curtis Area Emergency Relief Fund. For more information, call Millie Hatton (989) 735-4000.

Thunder Bay Arts Council will present a music reception starting at 1:30 p.m. at 127 West Chisholm Street, Alpena. It will consist of jazz, blues, latin and classical music featuring Eric Glatz on a finger-style guitar. Seating is limited and free to the public. Refreshments will be served.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

The monthly meeting of the Young Adult Book Club will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Alcona High School media center. Free books and snacks for those attending. This program is sponsored by the Alcona County Library and Friends of the Library for teens ages 12 through 18. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

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

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Maria Hall behind St. Anne Catholic Church, Harrisville. Free to the public.

An artist reception for Gary McKinney will be held from 2:15 to 3:15 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 Main Street. Refreshments will be served.

The monthly meeting of the AuSable Valley Audubon will be held at 1 p.m. at Robert J.

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Coming Attractions

INVENTORY REDUCTION SALE

On All Jewelry Now Through February 28
Buy One Piece of Jewelry at Regular Price and Get
50% off Second Piece of Equal or Lesser Value

Does Not Apply to Jewelry Already Marked Down

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The family of Rob McGinnes would love to thank the Men's Pool League and Horseshoe League for all they did and everyone for showing up for Rob's Memorial.
Thanks to Everyone from the bottom of my heart.
Rob's Mom Mattie

To Alcona County Taxpayers,

Mr and Mrs Petrovich and Hart are going to do whatever possible to convince you to vote for the upcoming enhancement millage. Our Kids 1st group is paying for the ads that are being put in the paper and who is that group? The address is the same as the AMA ESD and the website shows the AMA ESD Superintendent, Brian Wilmot, as the chairperson. Who funds Our Kids 1st, is it the AMA ESD Lobbying line item? OUR TAXES AT WORK to convince you to send them more money. It would be nice to know if it is our TAXES AT WORK.

Our Kids 1st website states that "100% of the money raised by the millage stays in your community". I never knew that our community included the communities of Alpena, Atlanta and Hillman.

If you look at the Endorsements for the Our Kids 1st, it is all the School Superintendents and Alpena Chamber of Commerce, WHY aren't there individuals who endorse this group? Could it be that nobody wants to be associated with what is going on?

I would ask you to assess what your neighbors are saying about the millage, and not what the Superintendents want you to do. The Alcona Superintendent already said the money would not get anything extra for the next few years.

I am voting NO and ask you to follow suit, Thank you for your time and Support.

Paid for by Chad Spitznagel, 1225 Campbell Rd, Harrisville Mi 48740

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Local Notes

Teen Book Club

The Teen Book Club meets on Monday, Feb. 11 after school (about 3:30 p.m.) at the Alcona High School Media Center to finish discussing "The Graveyard Book" by Neil Gaiman. This monthly book club, for ages 12-18, is sponsored by the Alcona County Library and Friends of the Library. The next book is "The Hobbit" by J.R.R. Tolkien. Free books and refreshments are provided. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Kid's Ice Fishing Tourney

The Don McEwen Kids Ice Fishing tournament will be held on Jewell Lake in Barton City on Saturday, Feb. 16. This free tournament is for kids and young adults (ages 15 and under). Registration on the ice is from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; fishing is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Poles,

bait and holes are provided and adult fishermen are available for assistance. All participants will receive medals. Trophies will be awarded at 2 p.m. for fisherman of the year, largest sunfish, bluegill and perch; smallest fish and most unusual. Hot dogs and hot cocoa are provided. This event is sponsored by the Barton City Improvement Association and contributions from the AuSable Valley Trail Riders, Lincoln Lions, 4-H2O (Michigan Sea Grant), Barton City Eagles, VFW Post No. 8135 and the B.C. General Store.

Dining with the Docs

Dining with the Docs returns with KiAnn Kruttlin presenting, "Herbal Medicine through the Ages" on Friday, Feb. 15 at noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. Attendees will discover how some of

those old remedies are still in use today. Meeting space is limited to 25 participants. A light lunch included, but participants must register by calling (989) 724-6796.

Free Trip to the Grammys

Justin Doughty, 29, of Freeland, Mich., won a "sing and win" contest sponsored by WBKB 11.1 and 107.7 the Bay True North radio station on January 14. Doughty competed with 10 other contestants at Sneakers in Alpena by singing to win a \$4,500 package trip to the Grammy Awards. The package included round trip tickets for two, a two night stay at the Los Angeles Marriot, two tickets to the Grammys and after party, tux rental, spa package and \$300 spending cash. Doughty sang two songs, "8 Second Ride" and "Ain't Too Proud to Beg" to clinch the winning prize. Doughty is the of Oscoda and brother of Donna Dalpizzol, shelter manager of the Alcona Humane Society in Lincoln.

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) 726-8879 by 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

• Monday, Feb. 11—Chili cheese dog on a bun, hash browns, green beans, coleslaw and fruit.

• Tuesday, Feb. 12—Pork roast, wild rice, peas, sauerkraut salad and fruit.

• Wednesday, Feb. 13— Meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, tropical fruit salad, fruit and Valentine cupcakes.

• Thursday, Feb. 14—Cabbage rolls, parsley red potatoes, corn, orange-pineapple salad and fresh fruit.

• Friday, Feb. 15—Baked chicken, stuffing with gravy, stewed tomatoes, coleslaw and fruit.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Free Landowner Seminar

The Alcona Conservation District is hosting a free seminar "Improving Private Landowner Revenue and Reducing Costs" on Saturday, Feb. 16 from noon to 4 p.m. at the Robert J. Parks Library, 6010 N. Skeel Street, Oscoda. This event will provide informational presentations about programs and land use techniques private landowners can utilize to improve revenue and reduce costs associated with non-industrial private forestland.

Bryan Zabel and L.J. Donahue of the Natural Resource Conservation Service will discuss pertinent costshare programs available to private landowners; Bryce and Susan Metcalfe of Metcalfe Forestry, LLC will provide an explanation of qualified forest program, commercial forest act and timber taxation laws; and Tom Jacques of Jacques Forestry, LLC-Huron Consulting will explain efficient methods of acquiring and or selling forested property.

All speakers are professionally trained in their respective field and have the practical knowledge and insight necessary to discuss a variety of land use techniques and programs. There will be free informational handouts and food. Any and all are welcome to attend and bring a friend. Register for this event by calling, (989) 724-5272 or by e-mail to John.St.Pierre@macd.org by February 13. Visit www.alconaconservation.org for more details.

Research Training Session

Judy Sheldon, a representative of the Huron Shores Genealogical Society, will present an evening of exploring and using Seeking-Michigan.org on Tuesday, Feb. 12. The program will be held at the Robert Parks Public Library, Oscoda from 6 to 8 p.m. SeekingMichigan.org is administered by the Archives of Michigan at the Michigan Historical Center in Lansing, Mich.

SeekingMichigan's goal is to connect people with the history and stories of Michigan. There are death records, state census records, pictures, films, Civil War resources and much more. Anyone with a computer is welcome to bring it to the session. Anyone with questions may call (989) 984-9305 or write to huronshoresgs@yahoo.com or visit Facebook http://www.facebook.com/HuronShoresGS.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Poles, will discover how some of son of Don and Judy Doughty toes, corn, orange-pineapp

REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE

Frequently Asked Questions

Let's think long term for the benefit of kids and the economics of our community.

The millage vote on February 26th is a three mill ten year request. Alcona will contribute \$1.5 million dollars to the overall \$5.6 million raised annually between the four districts. The entire amount of money will be divided equally to each school district based on the number of children (approximately \$1,023 per child.) Proposal A permits such a vote and requires this distribution. Alcona will get back about 53% of its contribution.

In dollars, that means Alcona will get back about \$797,000. This is an amount that covers all homestead dollars contributed from our district (\$665,000), plus another \$132,000 of non-homestead monies. We understand those who are reluctant to pay three mills for ten years and have approximately \$700,000 not stay in our community. But what do we get if it doesn't pass? \$000,000 that's what. In a pure dollars sense, over a 10 year period our school will get \$8,000,000. Schools have no other source of revenue. Our school has been cutting for 10 years and has nowhere else to go.

Property values have dropped throughout our community. Does anyone have a plan to turn that around? Wait for the rest of the state to recover and hope a few dollars drift our way? **Supporting our schools and bringing them back to a healthy state is a rational investment**, one which could attract new businesses and families. However, if we continue to allow the schools to shrink in class offerings, curriculum and staff, let's see how attractive we look and what happens to property value.

We urge you to think long term for the benefit of kids and the economics of our community.

Thanks for listening.

Bob and Connie Petrovich

Jim and Robyn Hart

Co-Chairs/Our Kids 1st

Q. How much would 3 mills cost the average taxpayer?

A. Each mill is equal to \$1 on each \$1,000 of taxable value. A levy of three mills then would be \$3 for every \$1,000 of taxable value.

Example: A home with an assessed value of \$80,000 would have a taxable value of \$40,000. 3 mills (\$3) x 40,000 = \$120.00. So the homeowner would pay \$120.

Q. How much revenue will be raised if the millage passes?

A. ESD wide it is estimated that the millage would raise approximately \$5.6 million dollars.

The approximate revenue raised by each school district is:

Alcona - \$1,529,056 (\$664,525 Homestead) Alpena - \$3,079,685 (\$1,881,455 Homestead)

Atlanta - \$504,355 (\$191,601 Homestead) Hillman - \$527,768 (\$223,272 Homestead)

Q. How much will each district receive?

A. The revenue raised by an enhancement millage must be distributed to each local K-12 public school district in the ESD on a per-pupil basis. Based on the audited pupil count of February 2012, the approximate distribution would be as follows:

Alcona - \$796,917 Alpena - \$4,051,080 Atlanta - \$258,819 Hillman - \$531,960

Q. Does AMA ESD receive any of the enhancement millage money?

A. No, per the statute, AMA does not receive any of this money.

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Employees Continued from page 1

workers asking how to disengage from the union and he handled the process. The petition was mailed to union officials on December 21, 2012.

According to Judy Sheldon, president of the Alcona County Library Board, library employees voted to have representation from Teamster Local Union No. 214 in July 2011. In September 2011 the library board and union representatives met for the first time and started the negotiation process. In November 2011, the board was informed the union rep was changed and union president Joe Valenti was going to represent library employees during the negotiation process.

In March 2012 both sides exchanged proposals and meetings were held through-

out the summer and fall, with a new union rep assigned in the fall. Sheldon said the library board had a contract to discuss at its December 2012 meeting, when they were notified to wait on making a decision.

The board had put through wage increases for two employees that were new and due "step increases" in line with the expiration of their probationary period. However, other employees that were due wage increases had been waiting for them while the negotiation process was ongoing, Sheldon explained.

"Legally, during union negotiation management is not allowed to give any raise or benefit (increase) so the staff did not receive a wage increase from July 2011 until the board acted after decerti-

fication on January 16," Luck said

"The board was generally surprised at the decision," Sheldon said. "We were working to develop a contract and planned to have a special meeting in December. We were making every effort to get it approved and not wait until the January 2013 board meeting."

Syma said the employee's goal, when voting for union representation in July 2011, "was simple – get rid of 'at will.' After a year and a half that wasn't accomplished. This doesn't mean we are ruling out a union in the future. (Since) the last year and a half we are more apt and willing to work with management. I am pleased in the outcome. I think our staff is going to move forward very positively," Syma said.

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Forest Resources Division

Unsolved Continued from page 1

have to be able to determine the difference between 'credible' or plausible tips and 'incredible' information and tips," Harshberger said.

The support shown to Bullis came in a multitude of forms – one of which was monetary. Individuals – Friends of Bane — gave approximately \$2,300 in donations to be used as a reward for information leading to the discovery of Bane. Other groups and organizations also pledged funds bringing the total to \$5,000.

With the case being classified as inactive for more than a year, Friends of Bane committee members decided to donate the \$2,300 that has been sitting in a credit union account since 2010, to the Michigan State Police Canine Unit. Friends of Bane spokesperson Warren MacNeill explained that because of the amount of time that has passed without resolution, the committee decided the money wasn't going to be used for a reward.

"The idea of a reward came from people on the Facebook page," MacNeill said. "We didn't ask for it. It just started coming in and we needed a legitimate place for it. So, we set up a committee (consisting of local individuals) so there was oversight."

"It came from local people as well as from all over the state and country. It was shocking how people opened their hearts and wanted to help," MacNeill said. "Almost \$2,300 was donated and a majority of those donations

came in as \$5 or \$10 – whatever they could give."

According to Sgt. Dave Yount, MSP Canine Unit commander, some of the donated money will be used to purchase a plaque commemorating Bane's service to the citizens of Michigan. However, the bulk of the donation will be used to replace equipment for the GPS devices that all dogs in the unit wear.

A little over a year ago, approximately \$8,000 was raised by a downstate effort and donated to the canine unit to purchase GPS devices for the 33 handlers and 40 dogs that are stationed across the state. The additional donation will be used to replace equipment that wears out or is lost and to pay for the subscription that is associated with the devices.

"Implementation of GPS devices for our unit is a direct result of something good that came out of Bane's disappearance," Yount said. "They are used on every woodland search and are very helpful... The systems work great. They are pretty reliable... We greatly appreciate the donation from Find Bane Friends."

Trooper Bullis continues to be appreciative of the support he has received since that fateful day in November 2010. However, he has been working to move forward. He recently retired Vadas, an older German shepherd who came out of retirement to work with Bullis, and is working with Marshall, a young shepherd fresh from training.

"The community here was awe some," Bullis said. "People still ask about Bane, and that is great. I have a new dog now and we have a lot of work to do here. It's a big deal to have a canine unit in the area because not all posts have them."

Finding out what happened to Bane and recovering his remains is the goal for investigators. "The case is unsolved and we definitely would like to know what happened," Harshberger said. "We aren't necessarily interested in prosecuting if someone was involved in his demise – if, for example, they thought he was a coyote... We'd like to recover his remains and just simply find out what happened."

Anyone with information about Bane's disappearance and/or location is asked to call the Michigan State Police post in Alpena at (989) 354-4101 or the CrimeStoppers Hotline at (800) 422-5245.

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Local Civil War historians seek Alcona ancestry information

By Mary Weber Staff Writer

To many, the American Civil War is long forgotten history, but through the hard work and dedication of two enthusiastic historians, Alcona County's Civil War heroes and their families are continuing to be honored and remembered.

Historians, Janet Higgins and Marcia Simmons, were each interested in their own family genealogy when their similar interest in Civil War veterans began. Simmons was searching her great-great grandfather's records when she realized both sides of her family had participated in the Civil War. Higgins became more interested in the war heroes after visiting cemeteries and noticing some of the veterans did not have headstones. "I didn't want those soldiers to be forgotten, anyone who serves this country needs to be remembered, Higgins said.

Honoring the veterans was a cord that resonated with both Higgins and Simmons. Their first mission was to have all Civil War veterans buried in the county to be remembered with headstones. Higgins and Simmons began the task of verifying each soldiers rank and unit, the cemetery where a soldier was buried along with any other information they could find out about the soldier.

Ultimately, through Simmons using the Internet and Higgins combing through centuries of microfilmed newspapers, the duo collected a significant amount of information. In 2011 they compiled the information attained into a book "Civil War Veterans of Alcona County."

Only wanting to honor the fallen soldiers and their families, Higgins and Simmons self published the book and sold it for just the printing

The book is divided into sections; section one includes Civil War veterans buried in Alcona County, their obituaries and headstone photos. Section two includes Civil War veterans who resided in Alcona County but were buried in other counties and their obituaries. Also included in the book is information regarding post Civil War veterans organizations, Grand Army of the Republic Posts, photographs and newspaper articles.



Swayze Gordon lived from 1839 to 1905 in Curtis Township. Higgins and Simmons are seeking more information about him from his descendents. Courtesy photo.

"It's been two years since we published the book and since then an enormous amount of records have been released by the national archives. Our ability to retrieve new information has been elevated, so we are revising the first printing," Simmons

While perusing the newly released information, the team began to recognize new patterns of units and family members. "When we did the first printing, we didn't notice there are three guys buried here who all served in Company D of the Tenth Michigan Infantry. Now, we are asking ourselves if all three knew each other before going into the military or did one or two of them meet there and move to this area after the war? We're finding brothers who served together and father and sons who served together as well as some prisoners of war," Higgins said.

The work to verify information they gather is long and tedious, but the women do everything they can to make sure the data they collect is accurate. Often last names are spelled differently; even fathers and sons spelled their last names differently.

Soldiers in the Civil War used alias names as well. One theory for this is because the soldiers may not

have been old enough to join. Boys who were 14 and 15 and looked old enough to join but didn't have their parent's permission to fight, would simply use an alias. Fathers who knew their sons wanted to join would often sign up with their son to try to keep them safe.

'Another theory for using an alias was a little more unscrupulous," Simmons said. "The Civil War was loosely organized and they didn't do a lot of record checking. At a time when bounties were given to new recruits, a soldier could sign up in Greenbush and collect his \$100 bounty and then disappear. Months later he would show up in Saginaw with a new name and collect another \$100 bounty.'

Every find the team makes poses new questions to be answered. "Ît's like a treasure hunt, searching for the right information," Higgins said. "We have one soldier, Swayze Gordon, from Curtis Township, who we are eager to learn more about. If anyone knows a descendent of his, we'd be interested in talking to them."

Higgins and Simmons are planning to add a section to the book containing more information about the soldiers than just their obitu-

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Marcia Simmons (left) and Janet Higgins with their first Civil War publication. Photo by Mary Weber.

SENIOR LIFESTYLES

How to divvy up your stuff

Dear Savvy Senior,

What's the best, conflictfree way to divvy up my personal possessions to my kids after I'm gone? I have a lot of jewelry, art, family heirlooms and antique furniture and five grown kids that don't always see eye-to-eye on things. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

Seeking Peace

Dear Seeking,

Divvying up personal possessions among adult children or other loved ones is a task that many parents dread. Deciding who should get what without showing hurting favoritism, someone's feeling or causing a feud can be difficult, even for close-knit families who enter the process with the best of intentions.

Here are some tips to consider that can help you divide your stuff with minimal conflict.

For starters, you need to be aware that it's usually the small, simple items of little monetary value that cause child wants the same thing, the most conflicts. This is because the value we attach to the small personal possessions is usually sentimental or emotional, and because the simple items are the things that most families fail to talk about.

Family battles can also escalate over whether things are being divided fairly by monetary value. So for items of higher value like your jewelry, antiques and art, consider getting an appraisal to assure fair distribution. To locate an appraiser, visit appraisers.org.

The best solution for passing along your personal possessions is for you to go through your house with your kids (or other heirs) either separately or all at once. Open up cabinets, drawers and closets, and go through boxes in the attic to find out which items they would like to inherit and why. They may have some emotional attachment to something you're not aware of. If more than one you will have the ultimate say.

Then you need to sit down and make a list of who gets what on paper, signed, dated and referenced in your will. You can revise it anytime you want. You may also want to consider writing an additional letter or create an audio tape, CD or DVD that further explains your inten-

You can also specify a strategy for divvying up the rest of your property. Some fair and reasonable options

- Take turns choosing: Use a round-robin process where family members take turns picking out items they would like to have. If who goes first becomes an issue, they can always flip a coin or draw straws. Also, to help simplify things, break down the dividing process room-byroom, versus tackling the entire house.
- Have a family auction: Give each person involved

the same amount of "play money," or use "virtual points" to bid on the items they want. This can also be done online at eDivvyup.com, a website for families and estate executors that provides a fair and easy way to distribute of personal prop-

For more ideas, see "Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate?" A resource created by the University of Minnesota Extension Service that offers a detailed workbook or interactive CD for \$12.50, and DVD for \$30, that gives pointers to help families discuss property distribution and lists important factors to keep in mind that can help avoid conflict. You can order

Savvy Senior

copy online yellowpieplate.umn.edu or by calling (800) 876-8636.

It's also very important that you discuss your plans in advance with your kids so they can know ahead what to expect. Or, you may even want to start distributing some of your items now, while you can still alive.

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

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District Court

The following individuals were sentenced in 81st District Court in January by the Honorable Allen C. Yenior and the Honorable Laura A. Frawley.

- Wyatt Joseph Lilley, 21, of Glennie was sentenced to 29 days in jail, two years of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,940 for operating while intoxicated.
 - Sarah Marie Lincoln, 28,

of Greenbush was sentenced to five days in jail, one year of probation and fines and court costs of \$1.865 for operating while visibly impaired.

- Joshua Allen Turske, 18, of Alpena was sentenced to 15 days in jail and fines and court costs of \$615 for driving while unlicensed.
- William Andrew Woodruff, 27, of Wyandotte, Mich. was sentenced to fines and

court costs of \$1,315 for operator's license suspended, revoked, denied.

- John Ray Denstaedt, 50, of Royal Oak, Mich. was sentenced to two days in jail and court costs and fines of \$1,265 for operating while visibly impaired.
- Bartley Oren Stephenson, 51, of Harrisville was sentenced to 10 days in jail and fines and court costs of \$615

for unauthorized use of emergency phone service.

- Darin Patrick Doucette, 21, of AuGres, Mich. was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,090 for operating while visibly impaired.
- Jeffery Allan Spigelmyre, 48, of Alpena was sentenced to 10 days in jail and fines and court costs of \$845 for operator's license suspended, revoked, denied.
- Allan Fredrick Stilwell, 57, of Lincoln was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,140 for operating while visibly im-
- George Wehnes Torrey, 51, of Glennie was sentenced to three days in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,140 for operating while visibly im-
- Jeffrey Lawrence Barrett, 46, of Troy, Mich. was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,140 for operating while visibly impaired.
- Cinnamon Celeste Krause, 43, of Spruce was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,490 for operating while visibly impaired. She must also attend the Victim's Impact Panel.
- Gerald Ray Miller, 51, of Hubbard Lake was sentenced to one day in jail, six months of probation and fines and

court costs of \$830 for controlled substance - use of marijuana.

- Jared Lee Holberton, 18. of Mikado was sentenced to six months of probation, six days of community service and fines and court costs of \$730 for minor - purchase/ consume/possess - second offense.
- Daniel George Budzynowski, 58, of Fraser, Mich. was sentenced to one day in jail and fines and court costs of \$1,140 for operating while visibly impaired.
- Christopher Connor-Alexa Lark, 23, of Ferndale, Mich. was sentenced to 30 days in jail, one year of probation, 200 hours of community service and fines and court costs of \$1,180 for controlled substance - use of marijuana.
- Čorey Darius Hobbs, 34, of Curran was sentenced to three days in jail, six months of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,125 for attempted assault and battery.
- Charles Francis Stoner, 39, of Lincoln was sentenced to seven days in jail, one year of probation and fines and court costs of \$1,490 for operating while intoxicated.
- Francisco Javie Marcias-Morena, 21, of Detroit, Mich. was sentenced to three days in jail and fines and court costs of \$515 for driving while unlicensed.



Fluctuating weather temperatures and precipitation causes flooding in some areas of northeastern Michigan. The Pine River (above) is experiencing a build up of ice dams which are causing flooding in lower areas, which has moved 12-inch thick ice pieces approximately six to eight feet long, about 100 feet from the river in Mikado. Photo by Mary Weber.

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Men's high game and series: Jimmy Armstrong, 266 and 705. Men's high handicap game and series: Jimmy Armstrong, 266 and 705.

Women's high game and series: Jeannie Berney, 219 and 574. Women's high handicap game and series: Jeannie Berney, 265 and 712.

Early Bloomers

January 29						
Tigerlilys	69	27				
Violets	60.5	35.5				
Marigolds	58.5	37.5				
Rosebuds	50	46				
Daffodils	45.5	50.5				
Bluebells	41	55				
Mums	36.5	59.5				
Buttercups	23	73				
High game:	Gina Broa	adwoo				

High series: Tammy Mendyka, 547

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High team game: Violets, 506. High team series: Tigerlilys, 1,382.

Wednesday Nite Women's

January 30

Lincoln Precis. 89.5 60.5 Back Alley Bar 87.5 62.5 Alcona Tool 84.5 65.5 Alcona Abstract 84 66 Cole's Applian. 77 73 Stoney Acres 66.5 83.5 JB's Auto 65.5 84.5 Ark Plumbing 45.5 104.5 High game: Carla Travis, 211. High series: Flora Yingling, 536. High handicap game: Carla Travis, 254.

High handicap series: Carla Bernard, 698.

Huron League

January 29						
Shotmakers	13	62				
Robert's Floor	10	54.5				
Back Alley Bar	9	52				
Gary Oil	21	50				
Mancino's	20	45				
Harrisville Lum.	17	38				
B & D Sales	19	30.5				
Rob's Repair	11	28				
High game: Kyle	e Catarir	no, 258.				

High series: Jon Klukowski. 666

High handicap game: Kyle Catarino, 301.

High handicap series: Ben Smith, 791.

Sportsman

January 31

L.L.W. Club	19	64.5
Top O' Mich.	25	57
Phil's Barber	11	44
Morgan Electric	20	41
Cole's Appl.	10	38
Shirt Shack	5	25.5
High game: Roo	Travis,	235.
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Kingpins	14	46
Boy's high gar	me and	series:
Keegan Kruttlin	i, 178 ai	nd 447.
Boy's high hand	dicap ga	me and
series: Keegan l	Kruttlin, 2	249 and
660.		

Girl's high game and series: Raegan Eller, 182 and 471. Girl's high handicap game and series: Raegan Eller, 255 and 690.

Minors

February 2

Little Devils	8	2	
SNCBBP1	7	3	
Pin Busters	5	5	
Bumper Kids	0	10	
Boy's high g	ame a	ınd serie	es:
Brenden Hudg	gins, 11	17 and 22	27.
Boy's high ha	ndicap	game a	nd
series: T. J. I	Hansoi	n, 226 a	nd
430.			

Girl's high game and series: Sammy Nordstrom, 76 and 149. Girl's high handicap game and series: Sammy Nordstrom, 220 and 437.

Weekly SUDOKU __

Answer

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ary. They are looking for anyone with information about a Civil War soldier who either lived in Alcona County or died in Alcona County. They would also like photos of the soldiers, even if they are not in uniform.

The team is optimistic they will have enough information to release the new edition this summer. Anyone wanting to share their Civil War family heritage may contact either Janet Higgins at (989) 724-5085 or e-mail Marcia Simmons at cwalcona@gmail.com.

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The purpose of the summit will be to review MDOT's proposed projects and discuss transportation planning issues within the MDOT North Region. The focus will be on the North Region, Alpena Transportation Service Center coverage area of Alpena, Alcona, Iosco, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle Counties. Interested persons are invited to attend to provide public comment. If you require any special assistance please contact Nico Tucker, Transportation Planner, at NEMCOG, P.O. Box 457, Gaylord, MI 48734 or by phone at (989) 705-3732. 2/6 & 2/13

Tigers knocked down by Braves

By Ron Yokom Basketball Writer

Maybe we can blame the weird events that took place last week for the Alcona boys varsity basketball team's performance Friday night in Ta-

They were supposed to have games Monday and Tuesday, but both were cancelled because the school closed for weather days. The Tuesday cancellation with Hillman was rescheduled for Wednesday, but Hillman was closed, so no game. There was no practice Monday or Tuesday because of the closings. All of this had to affect the team and it showed as they lost to a Tawas team with a 4-6 record by the score

their offense going against a very aggressive, quick Brave squad. Tawas seemed to get to every loose ball, most rebounds and intercepted passes repeatedly throughout the game.

Alcona fell behind 13-6, and it took a last second three-pointer by Jared Steiner to keep the score close 13-9. The offense continued to stall in the second quarter. The Tigers scored 10 points while the Braves put up 18 and led at halftime 31-19.

Trent LaVergne came out firing in the third quarter, hitting eight points and Alcona outscored Tawas 12-6 to trim the Braves' lead to 37-31. That was as close at the Tigers got. Tawas increased

The Tigers could not get their lead to 11 points early in the final period and the Tigers lost by the 11-point margin.

> LaVergne led Alcona with 16 points. Steiner was held to single figures for the second game in a row, scoring only nine. Carson Jameison added seven points, Andy Cammack, Dustin Yokom, Cody Franklin and Garrett Norling scored two points each, while Dawson Forsythe had one point.

> The junior varsity team was also defeated by Tawas 48-45 in spite of a desperate rally in the final period that fell short. Jason Steiner led Alcona with 20 points.

> Both teams' records stand at 7-3 at the mid point of the

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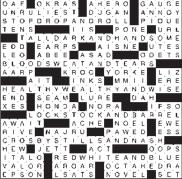
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Jacque from Wyoming knows the importance of birds and water, so he bought a dog dish with heater under it to make sure the birds have plenty during the winter months. The dish is 4 inches deep and 10 inches wide and is placed near (not under) his birdfeeders. Thanks, Jacque!

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Tigers get stopped by Panthers **By Hope Smith** watching from the bench, Tafound themselves in foul trouble and struggling to slow

Basketball Writer

The Alcona girls varsity basketball team's 10 game winning streak came to an end on Friday, Feb. 1 at Alma High School in a match up against the Panthers.

Alcona jumped ahead with an early 22-16 lead in the first quarter but the Panthers clawed their way back into the game eventually tying the score 32-32 going into halftime.

In the second half, the Tigers came out strong, but with the pressure on soon the Panthers down offensively. The Tigers held a narrow 44-43 lead at the end of the third quarter but the Panthers weren't finished. They outscored Alcona 22-16 in the final period to pull away and seal the 60-65 victory.

"We did everything but finish tonight. They were a very scrappy team. We let this one get away. I hope we learn from this," Coach Brad Cole

The Tigers were led by Karina Cole with a doubledouble -- 19 points, 12 rebounds and eight assists and Kendra Cole with a doubledouble --16 points and a career high of 17 rebounds. Nikki Smith scored eight points and grabbed five steals. Nicole Walen and Sydney Pierce each scored six points, Cassie Carpenter added three points and Turner Somers made two free throws.

Alcona's junior varsity team beat Alma 43-23. Leading scorers for the Tigers were Katelyn Nelson with 12 points and Sam Schopher with 10 points. Torie Harmon scored six points, Jesssica Grove made four points and Sierra Forsythe and Ally Higgins each added three points.

On January 31 the Tigers hosted the Tawas Braves for their third Huron Shores Conference matchup of the season. In the first quarter, Alcona came out firing on all cylinders grabbing a 14-2 lead. They held Tawas's offense to one field goal for the entire first period. Alcona continued to lead in the second quarter by dominating the floor and connecting with their open shooters. The score was to 29-13, Alcona, at halftime.

In the second half, with most of Alcona's starters

was was able to outscore the Tigers 10-14 in the third quarter and 20-23 in the final period. However, the Tigers remained in control of the game with the score of 39-27 to end the third period and a 59-44 lead to finish the game.

"We didn't take care of the ball very well but had a good balance of scoring. I thought our size helped us control the boards," Cole said.

Kendra Cole led the evening with a double-double night scoring 19 points and snagging 12 rebounds. Megan Quick scored 11 points, Karina Cole had 10 points, seven rebounds and six assists. Smith made six points and Pierce scored four points. Somers and Walen each added two points and pulled down five rebounds. Hannah Terpstra and Maddie Feldhiser each scored two points and Carpenter made one free throw.

The JV team was also victorious over the Braves winning 40-24. Harmon scored 13 points and Nelson had 12 points. Grove scored six points, Forsythe had four points, Cheyenne Parkinson made two free throws, Schopher scored two points and Higgins put in one free

The varsity team is 10-2 in the regular season and 3-0 in the Huron Shores Confer-

The Tigers hosted Hillman n Monday. On Thursday. Feb. 7 Whittemore-Prescott comes into Tiger country for the fourth conference game. The JV team will pay at 6 p.m. The varsity teams takes to the floor at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, February 9 the Tigers will host the Hale Eagles for a rescheduled game. The JV game will start at 2 p.m. followed by the varsity game at 3:30 p.m.

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9.03 E Variance Standards

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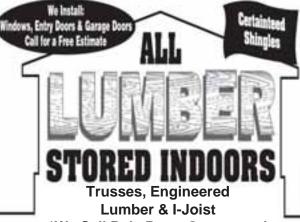
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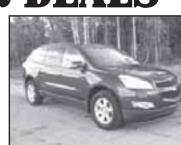
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More than a village

By Kathryn F. Kniep Columnist

The 45th Parallel is an imaginary line, located just north of Alcona and just south of Alpena, about midway through Squaw Bay. I remember learning that in elementary school.

I remember, too, being surprised that the Parallel and all the other lines dividing the state and the nation into political or geographic subdivisions - were imaginary. I guess I'd thought they were tattooed into the earth, just the way they were shown on the globe.

If we want to continue to educate the children of northeast Michigan, it's time to start erasing those imaginary

On February 26, voters in the Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency Education Service District (the ESD) will decide whether to fund three mills for a period of 10 years to fund education in those three school districts. If passed, the millage will raise approximately \$5.6 million. Alcona County will raise \$1,529,506. Alpena will raise \$3,097,685. And Montmorency will raise \$504,355 in Atlanta and \$527.768 in Hillman.

Those revenues will be disbursed based on each district's student population with Alcona receiving \$772,039, Alpena will receive \$3,909,040 and the two districts in Montmorency (Atlanta and Hillman) \$266,725 and \$494,555, respectively.

The ESD itself will not receive any millage dollars. If the millage fails, the expenses of the election will be paid by the ESD. If it passes, the expenses will be paid proportionately by the three dis-

If you look at it purely from the parochial standpoint of "them and us," it seems darned inequitable. Still, under the State's Education Finance Act (Michigan's "Proposal A"), the ESD-wide millage is the only way school systems may increase their operating funds. And that's where, if we want to continue to educate the children of northeast Michigan, we have to get past the "them and us" mindset.

There are a couple of reasons why I believe that. Over 15 years in the field of community development, I can tell you that community planners have said, again and again, that if we are to survive in rural northern Michigan, we have to get beyond going it alone and begin

reaching out to do things on a district or regional basis. There are simply too few people and too few dollars to succeed any other way. Logical though it may be, it is fair to say that local units have been slow to embrace that premise.

Over 12 years on the Board of Education of Alcona Community Schools, I can tell you that the shortage of funds is not an issue of failing to plan. When I first joined the board in the mid-1990s, cuts were already being made to attempt to avert losses, or hold them at bay as long as possible.

Northern Michigan kids start off at a disadvantage, as do most rural students. When families in larger areas face unemployment, they can often find other work in the same or a nearby community. In our area, families must often leave the area to

Alcona has lost 250 students in the past eight years, many for just that reason. Because state dollars for education are based on per pupil population, and because in that same time period the state has reduced the per pupil allocation by \$350 per student. Alcona has lost \$1,834,000 in revenue. The other school districts in the ESD have suffered very similar losses.

At this point, the schools and thus the student's backs are against the wall. There isn't much left to cut without ceasing to be an educational entity.

In Alcona, cuts have included the loss of 19.5 teachers, elimination of a principal, the athletic director, two secretaries, the media specialist, the school counselor, 25 support staff and all but one custodian. Bus routes

have been extended, with some students riding as long as two hours.

Class size has been expanded, with one dual classroom at the elementary school having 30 students and no classroom aide. Electives, music programs, art and alternative education along with an excellent

middle school program have gone away, as have dual education and sports bus-And that's just a sampling

of cuts that have been made. Each of the systems in the ESD is dealing with similar losses in students, funding and program.

Ten years is a long time to pay a millage. But placed in

Puttin' On The Fritz

perspective, 10 years is less than the average 13-year public school career of a student. The schools in the ESD chose that term in the hopes of stabilizing income for long enough to balance out budgets and perhaps begin to return priority programs.

The cost to individual taxpayers is \$3 per every \$1,000 of taxable value. A home valued at \$100,000, for example, has a taxable value of \$50,000 and would cost \$150 per year in additional taxes, or \$1,500 over the 10-year period.

Northern Michigan is an area that rarely gets to fully participate in economic recovery. At best, in "good times" we return to eight percent unemployment and lower household incomes than the state average. So no one is saying that increased taxes are a good thing. Believe me; I understand that \$150 a year in new taxes will hurt.

But education is a good thing. Many of us believe that it is the only thing that will offer our young people a level playing field in the competition for good jobs, good pay and good lives. As such, it is an investment in the future not just in terms of the children who are already here, but of encouraging growth in

No one likes taxes. Proposal A passed in Michigan in 1994 largely because it reduced school taxes for the average voter. Now, in difficult economic times, we have to abide by those existing state laws unless or until we change them. Anyone who's ever dealt with state government has an understanding of what a long, slow process that can be.

The real, rock-bottom line here is this: In 2013, under Michigan law, it takes more than a village to raise a child. It takes a district. And the question is: Do we want to do our best to educate the children of northeast Michigan all our children? Or do we want to continue to maintain an imaginary line that guards our supposed autonomy?

I would suggest that now is the time to get out that eraser and begin to eliminate the imaginary lines that could harm our kids. Now, and for much longer than 10 years into the future.

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

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Residents of Iosco, Alcona and surrounding counties once again have the opportunity to submit data about birds in their area during the 16th annual Great Backyard Bird Count held February 15-18.

With thousands of people participating throughout the U.S., scientists are able to gather significant information on the location and general health of birds prior to the spring migration. During this four day count, modern technology allows researchers to gain real time insight to where birds are and the total of each species.

According to local Audubon ambassador for the event, Peggy Ridgway, without the cooperation and participation of the general public, this vast amount of information would be impossible to collect. Both avid and novice birders are invited to report their findings.

Participants may count one or all four days. Observations can be made in backyards, neighborhoods, nearby forests, open fields, or along rivers and lakes. Researchers ask that participants watch for at least 15 minutes each day and submit a new form for each day

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Online forms can be completed by logging on to www.birdcount.org. Residents without access to computers can request a handwritten form to complete and mail in. Those pages may be downloaded at libraries. Additional information about bird identification and a list of birds found in the area can be found on the website.

Ridgway said is anyone is uncertain about an identification, they should utilize the website I.D. section, or contact someone who is familiar with birds in the area. Otherwise, "when in doubt, just leave it out," she advised.

"This is my favorite count," Ridgway said. Unlike the Christmas counts which are limited to one day and within a designated area, this event gathers information from many areas and over several days. "It's phenomenal how fast the observations appear on my computer screen," she said. "I can see what birds are being reported in my community and just how many of each. I then assess our local totals and compare them with those around the rest of the state or nation," she added.

Last year snowy owls were the big news. They irrupted to the lower 48 states and were viewed by many, especially in the northern tier states. Other species irrupting from north of the U.S. borders were the pine siskins and common redpolls. Tawas participants tallied 1,002 siskins and 71 redpolls, Ridgway said.

Trumpeter swans also dominated the vast open water areas of the AuSable River with 150 at Alcona Pond and 78 others along the river corridor. Additional unusual sightings for February included a single field sparrow and two eastern meadowlarks.

Several cities in Iosco County ranked among the top 10 submitting checklists and also large numbers of various species. In the 2012 count 416 Michigan communities were represented.

The 16th annual event is a joint project of The Cornell Lab of Ornithology, Audubon, and Bird Studies Canada. For questions or more information, contact Ridgway evenings at (989) 739-5674.

Mineral lease meeting Rich Charles 200 in Hillman and ga

By Tom Young *Guest Writer*

Over 200 people drove through fog and rain on Tuesday, Jan. 29 to learn about mineral rights leases for the next expected round of oil and gas drilling. The meeting was held in Hillman, Mich. and attended by people from surrounding counties.

The petroleum industry is expected to develop the Utica Collingwood formation and have representatives out in the area obtaining leases. The meeting was organized by a group that wants to negotiate for a block of mineral rights owners to get better leases than were seen in the Antrim formation development in the 1980s.

Fred Miller, the organizer of the meeting, is retired from a career of negotiating contracts for large corporations nationwide and worldwide. He lives in Missouri, but grew up in Hillman and manages his family land there.

Miller, with Lewis Crawford of Hillman, Mich. and others, put a negotiating group together for the Antrim formation. They were successful in getting "a significantly better" lease for the whole group.

"Our goal is to get a fair deal, but to get there, we worked at it a long time, Miller said. "Members of the group had patience and stayed in there, in spite of efforts by the industry to break up the group. But in the end, they need us as much as we need them.

"In negotiating, neither side gets all it wants, but to give in on some things that are to their advantage in exchange for things that are to our advantage, a fair deal was reached," Miller said.

David Lawrence, geologist for the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) Office of Oil and Gas Management, said the discovery well in Missaukee County found gas and oil, at 10,000 feet down, in the Utica and Collingwood shale. A well drilled in 1990 in Rust Township, Montmorency County, found the Utica shale at 6,500 feet.

Lawrence explained the

formation is shaped like a shallow bowl, deep and thick in the center and narrowing at the bowl edges. That bowl outcrops to the surface in the Upper Peninsula, and is a continuous sheet running across northern Michigan from Cheboygan to Cadillac, Alpena to Traverse City.

Lawrence said hydraulic fracturing, commonly called fracking, is necessary to release the gas and oil in most shale. "There is some porous shale that doesn't need to be fractured, however," he said.

Lawrence described the proppant, the fracturing solution, as 99.5 percent sand and water, and the other half percent in chemicals. One of them, hydrochloric acid, helps widen the fractures; other chemicals help it flow further in the cracks and helps the gas production.

Lawrence said the "flow-back" fluid cannot be put in an earthen pond on site, but must be hauled away to a disposal well.

Lawrence is one of the DEQ staff that inspects wells. His area consists of seven townships from Johannesburg to Atlanta. He is responsible for 1,800 wells and 77 compressor facilities.

Lawrence said the state requires a setback of 1,320 feet between a well and a stream on state land, and if producers want it closer there is a full review process before approval. On private land, however, there is no setback requirement, and the geologist in the field can approve the well site after that one person's review.

Curtis Talley, an educator for Michigan State Extension, spoke about leases. He stressed that "if you sign a lease, you have sold a portion of your property and you should be just as careful in this as you would be in selling surface acreage."

"The company lease is all for the company," Talley said. "The cash signing bonus may be a sure thing, and it is hard to say no to a cash bonus. But it is the lease that benefits you and protects you in the long term, so don't sign without some study."

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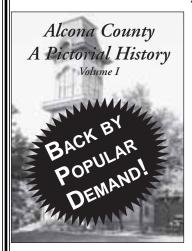


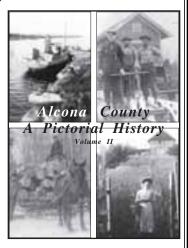
Miss Flora is a seven month old spayed chunky monkey!! LOVE HER!!!

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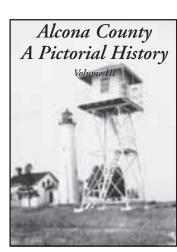
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Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of Jan. 28- Feb. 3. 2013

44 complaints were handled resulting in the following arrests: 1 Arrest; 1 Warrant.

Complaint Statistic

Car-Deer Accident	2	Property Damage Accident	5
Message/Well Being Check	3	Miscellaneous	7
Dog/Animal	1	Traffic	7
Agency Assist	2	Domestic	3
911 Hang Up	1	Vehicle Identification Inspection	1
Patrol Check	2	Marine	1
Warrant Arrest	1	Criminal Sexual Conduct	1
Medical	1	Assault & Battery	1
Abandoned Vehicle	1	Larceny	1
Suicidal Subject	1	Suspicious Events	1
Fatal Accident	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

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Alcona	3	Caledonia	3		Curtis	7	
Greenbush	4	Gustin	1		Harrisville	6	
Hawes	1	Haynes	3		Mikado	6	
Millen	2	Mitchell	0				
Harrisville City	7	Village of Lir	ncoln	1			

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Talley advised property owners not sign a lease if they do not support drilling, because it is not fair to the company. Those who sign and then want to back out are in for a lot of litigation, heartache and expense, he warned.

According to Talley, to lease is a choice, but there is an option in "compulsory pooling" which is better for the landowner than the industry "standard" lease. Property owners in compulsory pooling don't get a signing bonus, but the royalty checks start immediately when gas starts selling, and they are treated more like an investor/owner than a leasor.

The deduction of post pro-

duction costs from landowners' payments has been a controversy and a disappointment to many, Talley said. Michigan law says that the industry "shall not deduct post production costs unless the lease provides for those deductions." So when property owners see a list of costs in a proposed lease, they can reject the lease until all or most of those costs will not be deducted, Talley advised. A lease without costs listed in it means no deductions are allowed. This law went into effect for leases after March 28, 2000.

Among the 200 people attending, thousands of acres were represented. Participa-

tion in the group is still open to more acreage, and the costs involved will be shared on a per-acre basis.

According to Miller, an early goal of the compulsory pooling group that is forming is to hire "an excellent oil and gas attorney," to represent the group in negotiations. Sharing that cost with a large group makes it affordable, Miller said.

Another meeting will be held in late April. More information is available from Frederick W. Miller II, phone (636) 209-4404 or by e-mail fwmiller46@charter.net.

(Tom Young retired as publisher of the Montmorency County Tribune several years ago. He lives in Atlanta, Mich.)

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Local Notes

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Senior Input Needed

Individuals who have concerns about the services available to seniors and persons with disabilities has an opportunity to voice them. The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging (AAA) will be conducting input sessions throughout northeast Michigan to identify program areas of need to be considered in the development of its Multi-Year Plan for fiscal years 2014-2016. The plan is used as an outline of how funding received from Office of Services to the Aging will be used in compliance with the Older Americans Act.

The AAA has four core functions: Concentrating resources to develop capacity; developing a comprehensive and coordinated service delivery system; providing planning, program development, administration and monitoring; and advocating for a vulnerable population. Services provided are in-line with the Older Americans Act, which regulates how the grant award is allocated and what programs can be funded.

The public is invited to attend one of four input sessions being held throughout northeast Michigan. The dates and locations are as follows:

 February 11 at 10 a.m. — Sunrise Side Senior Services, 131 Clyde Street, Omer, Mich.

 February 14 at 10 a.m. — Cheboygan County Council on Aging, 1531 Sand Road, Cheboygan, Mich.

• February 25 at 1 p.m. — AMA/ESD Building, 2118 US-23 South, Alpena.

• March 22 at 10 a.m. — Mio Community Center, 1055 Court Street, Mio, Mich.

For more information, call (800) 219-2273. The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging (a division of NEMCSA) serves the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon.



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9. Teenage Mutant Ninja

Turtles Cereal

10. Wonder Bread

Free Fishing Weekend

The annual Winter Free Fishing Weekend is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 16 and Sunday, Feb. 17. That weekend, everyone - residents and nonresidents alike can fish without a license, though all other fishing regulations still apply, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Michigan has celebrated the Winter Free Fishing Weekend every year since 1994 as a way to promote awareness of the state's vast aquatic resources and many fishing opportunities.

"Fishing is one of Michigan's most popular outdoor

activities in the winter, and for good reason," said DNR Director Keith Creagh. "It's a fun, inexpensive activity anyone of just about any age can pursue - on your own or along with family and friends."

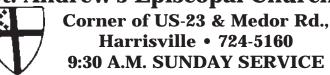
Organized Free Fishing Weekend activities are being scheduled in communities across the state. These activities are coordinated by a variety of organizations including constituent groups, schools, local and state parks, businesses and others. A full list of events can be found online at www.michigan.gov/ free-fishing. Also available online are tools to assist in planning and promoting loDo you have news we can use? Call the Review 724-6384



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Calendar of Events

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Parks Library on Skeel Avenue, Oscoda. All are welcome.

WEDNESDAY, **FEBRUARY 13**

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. all items will be donated to local organizations. Bring your knitting needles, looms, yarn and patterns. Beginning crafters are welcome. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

A bobbin lace demonstration will be held at the Curtis Township Library, 4884 Bamfield Road, Glennie from 1 to 5 p.m. See what can be done with simple threads, try your hand at bobbin lace or view an exhibit of lace examples. For more information, call (989) 735-2601.

THURSDAY, **FEBRUARY 14**

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

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 Main Street. For more information, call (989) 724-

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

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, 312 Main Street. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

The Alcona Health Centers and Alcona County Library presents "Dining with the Docs" at noon at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. The topic for the meeting will be herbal medicine through the ages with Ki-Ann Kruttlin. Light lunch provided, no charge, must register by calling (989) 724-6796.

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SATURDAY, **FEBRUARY 16**

Don McEwen Kids Ice Fishing Tournament will be held at Jewell Lake, Barton City. Registration is from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; fishing from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with adult fishermen available for assistance. Poles, bait, holes provided. Hot dogs, hot cocoa and warming area available.

Alcona Conservation District is hosting a free seminar from noon to 4 p.m. at Robert J. Parks Library, 6010 North Skeel Avenue, Oscoda. This event will provide informational presentations about programs and land use techniques private landowners can utilize to improve revenue and reduce costs associated with non-industrial private forestland. For more information call, (989) 724-5272 or email John.St.Pierre@macd.org.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

White Pine Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Hollyhock Quilt Shoppe, 301 E. Main Street, Harrisville. For more information, call C. Pizer (989) 724-6403.

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

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

The Alcona Book Club will meet from noon to 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 Main Street. The selection for February is "Destiny of the Republic" by Candice Millard. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Learn the basics of Tai-Chi with Ki Ann Kruttlin from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

WEDNESDAY. **FEBRUARY 20**

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. all items will be donated to local organizations. Bring your knitting needles, looms, yarn and patterns. Beginning crafters are welcome. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

American Red Cross blood drive will be held from noon to 5:45 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 S. Church Street, Lincoln, Appointments preferred, to schedule call (800) RED CROSS or log onto redcrossblood.org, sponsor code: LincolnMI.

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Seven Day Forecast



WEDNESDAY Mostly Sunny High: 21 Low: 18



THURSDAY Snow Likely High: 29 Low: 23



FRIDAY Partly Cloudy High: 28 Low: 16



SATURDAY Partly Cloudy High: 32 Low: 25



SUNDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 35 Low: 28



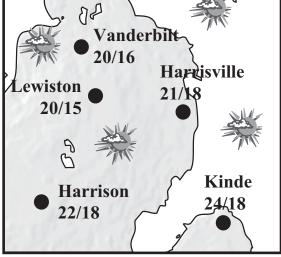
MONDAY Mostly Cloudy High: 33 Low: 24



TUESDAY Snow Possible High: 32 Low: 21

Vanderbilt-20/16

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 21°, humidity of 62%. Northwest wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 44° set in 1968. Expect cloudy skies tonight with a 70% chance of snow, overnight low of 18°. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph. The record low for tonight is -16° set in 1962.

*Last Week's Almanac					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Hi</u>	Lo	Normals	Precip	
Monday	34	26	26/8	0.29"	
Tuesday	45	31	26/8	0.68"	
Wednesday	40	23	26/8	0.38"	
Thursday	22	11	26/8	0.00"	
Friday	18	10	26/8	0.01"	
Saturday	17	4	26/8	0.00"	
Sunday	18	0	26/8	0.00"	
*Data as reported from Alpena, MI					

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week



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Day	Sunrise	<u>Sunset</u>	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	7:45 a.m.	5:50 p.m.	4:33 a.m.	2:01 p.m.
Thursday	7:44 a.m.	5:51 p.m.	5:26 a.m.	3:10 p.m.
Friday	7:43 a.m.	5:53 p.m.	6:13 a.m.	4:23 p.m.
Saturday	7:41 a.m.	5:54 p.m.	6:52 a.m.	5:37 p.m.
Sunday	7:40 a.m.	5:55 p.m.	7:26 a.m.	6:50 p.m.
Monday	7:38 a.m.	5:57 p.m.	7:57 a.m.	8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	7:37 a.m.	5:58 p.m.	8:26 a.m.	9:08 p.m.

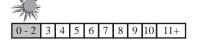
National Weather Summary This Week



Full 2/25



Local UV Index



UV Index

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

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	<u>Set</u>
Mercury	8:27 a.m.	6:59 p.m.
Venus	7:17 a.m.	4:40 p.m.
Mars	8:31 a.m.	7:08 p.m.
Jupiter	12:12 p.m.	3:17 a.m.
Saturn	12:55 a.m.	11:15 a.m.
Uranus	9:38 a.m.	9:56 p.m.

The Northeast will see scattered snow today, partly cloudy to cloudy skies with isolated snow Thursday, scattered rain and snow Friday, with the highest temperature of 44° in Germantown, Md. The Southeast will see mostly clear skies with a few showers today, scattered showers Thursday, mostly clear skies Friday, with the

highest temperature of 82° in Ft. Myers, Fla. The Northwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated rain today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 48° in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today and Thursday, isolated showers Friday, with the highest temperature of 76° in Carlsbad, N.M.

Weather History

Feb. 6, 1978 - A massive Nor'easter buried the cities of the northeastern United States. The Boston area received 25 to 30 inches in "The Great New England Blizzard" and the mayor outlawed travel in the city for an entire week.

Weather Trivia

What is keraunophobia?



Answer: The fear of lightning.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Planets Meet in West this Week

Mercury appears in the WSW during dusk late in the week, but before the Messenger God gets his due, a curious, almost invisible conjunction (meeting) takes place on Monday between Mars and Neptune, very low in the WSW, three quarters of an hour after sundown. Mars and Neptune will be separated by less than a half degree on Feb. 4 and by less than one degree on the day before and after that date. You will need very transparent sky conditions as well as binoculars to spot Mars, and a small telescope if you want to include Neptune which is much fainter. An alternate way of seeing the two would be to capture the scene with a digital camera mounted on a tripod. A much easier conjunction between Mercury and Mars takes place from Feb. 7 to the 9, low in the WSW about 45 minutes after sunset. The sweet date is Sunday the eighth, when Messenger and Warrior are distanced by only one third degree. That's an angular separation only 2/3rds the size of the full moon. On the day before and after February 8, Mars and Mercury are separated by about one degree. Again, clear sky conditions will be necessary along with a good WSW horizon, free from any trees or buildings to obscure the view. Be at your observing post no later than 6:15 p.m., about 45 minutes after sundown. Binoculars will easily reveal Mercury, and if another starlike, but fainter object is spotted near the Messenger God, that will be Mars. As the minutes roll by revealing a darker sky, Mercury should become visible to the unaided eye. During the weeks of February 10 and the 17, Mercury will be visible low in the WSW after sundown. The best evening for viewing just Mercury will be the 16th when the Messenger God stands nearly a fist, held at arm's length, high above the WSW horizon. While you're scouring the skies for Mercury, don't forget Jupiter, brilliant and high in the south. www.astronomy.org

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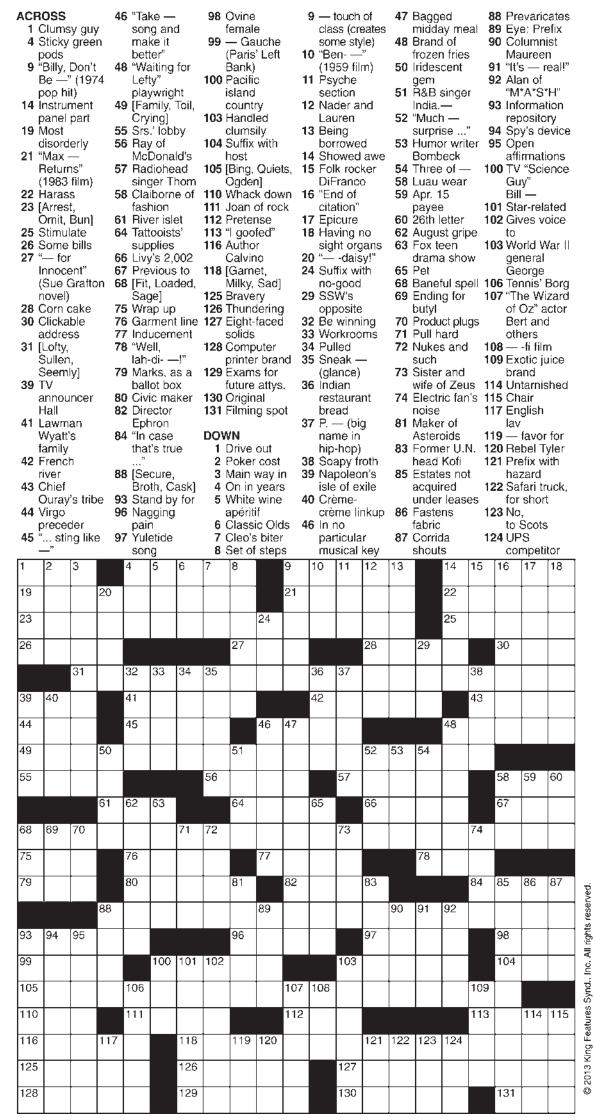
TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. FIRSTS: Who was the first black American appointed to the U.S. Supreme
- 2. GAMES: How many numbered balls are used in a standard pool game?
- 3. GEOGRAPHY: What country lies directly east of Norway?
- 4. HISTORY: In what year did the civil-rights march on Selma, Ala. take place?
- **5. WEATHER:** What kind of clouds produce precipitation?
- 6. MUSIC: Which guitarist/singer played in rock groups such as Cream, Blind Faith and Derek and the Dominoes?
- 7. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which U.S. president married a distant cousin?
- 8. MEDICAL: What is a hemostat
- **9. ANIMAL WORLD:** What is a Lipizzaner?
- 10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: In what country did the bongos (drums)

Answers: 1. Thurgood Marshall; 2. 15 numbered balls and a white cue ball; 3. Sweden; 4. 1965; 5. Nimbus clouds; 6. Eric Clapton: 7. Franklin D. Roosevelt, who married Eleanor Roosevelt. They were fifth cousins, once removed.; 8. Clamp used in surgery; 9. A breed of horse; 10. Cuba. (c) 2013 King Features Synd., Inc.

Super Crossword

TRIPLE **ALLIANCE**



STRANGE BUT TRUE by Samantha Weaver

- It was noted American poet Ogden Nash, best known as a composer of droll verse, who made the following sage observation: "Some tortures are physical / And some are mental, / But the one that is both / Is dental."
- According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, if you're like the average American, you consume 132 pounds of sugar every year. Compare that to folks in the year 1700, who consumed only about 4 pounds of sugar per year.

· If you cook a single ostrich egg, you can feed 24

people.

- When you studied history in school, you probably didn't learn about Edward Hyde. He was a cousin to Queen Anne and was appointed to the post of colonial governor of New York, in which position he served from 1702 to 1708. Though he's not well known now, he was guite the talk of the colonies in his day. It seems that when a delegation of colonists went to his mansion to welcome the new governor, they found him sitting on the front porch, crocheting a doily and wearing one of his wife's dresses. At his first formal ball as governor, he wore a gown. His eccentricities continued until he was caught embezzling public money and was returned to England.
- The next time you see a shampoo commercial and note how creamy and frothy the lather seems to be, keep this in mind: The model in the advertisement probably has either laundry detergent or frothed egg whites on her hair.
- · Those who study such things say that 10 years after a hot dog has been dumped in a landfill, the wiener could still be intact.

Thought for the Day: "When you stop doing things for fun you might as well be dead." -- Ernest Hemingway (c) 2013 King Features Synd., Inc.

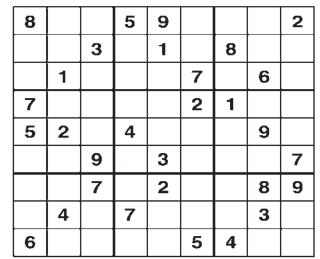
MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel

- On Feb. 21, 1828, the first printing press designed to use the newly invented Cherokee alphabet arrives at New Echota, Ga. A young Cherokee, Sequoyah, had invented the written language, consisting of 86 characters. Within months, the first Indian language newspaper in history was printed. It was called the Cherokee Phoenix.
- On Feb. 24, 1836, in San Antonio, Texas, Colonel William Travis issues a call for help on behalf of Texan troops defending the Alamo, an old Spanish mission and fortress under attack by the Mexican army. Only 32 men from the nearby town of Gonzales responded to Travis' call for help.
- On Feb. 23, 1885, a 19year-old man named John Lee is sent to the gallows in Exeter, England, for the murder of a rich older woman. After the noose was put around his neck the lever malfunctioned three times. The authorities, mystified at the gallows' inexplicable malfunction, decided to ascribe it to an act of God. Lee was sent to prison instead.
- On Feb. 18, 1930, Pluto is discovered at the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Ariz., by astronomer Clyde W. Tombaugh. In 2006, however, the International Astronomical Union announced that Pluto would no longer be considered a planet due its relatively small mass, just one-sixth that of Earth's moon.
- On Feb. 22, 1959, Lee Petty defeats Johnny Beauchamp at the just-opened Daytona International Speedway in Florida to win the first-ever Daytona 500. The race was so close that Beauchamp was initially named the winner. Three days later, with the assistance of news photographs, Petty was officially named the champ.
- On Feb. 19, 1974, Alexander Solzhenitsyn awaits reunion with his family after exile from Russia. Publication of "The Gulag Archipelago," a detailed history of the Soviet prison system, prompted Russia to exile the 55year-old author.
- On Feb. 20, 1985, in a highly controversial vote, the Irish government defies the powerful Catholic Church and approves the sale of contraceptives. The Irish Supreme Court found that a constitutional right to marital privacy covered the use of contraceptives.

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by Linda Thistle



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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James A. Rowden, unmarried man, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated March 14, 2007 and recorded March 15, 2007 in Liber 440, page 379, Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred thirteen thousand two hundred thirty-four and 53/100 dollars (\$113,234.53) including interest at 4 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 February 27, 2013.

Said premises are located in the township of Mikado, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1 - That part of the south 15 acres of the northeast 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 4, Town 25 North, Range 8 East, described as: Commencing at the northeast corner of the above described parcel, thence south 150 feet along the centerline of Cruzen Road, thence west 280 feet, thence north 150 feet, thence east 280 feet to the point of beginning. And Parcel 2: Commencing at the

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east 1/4 corner of Section 4, Town 25 North, Range 8 East; thence south 00 degrees 01 minutes 12 seconds west, along the east line of said section and centerline of Cruzen Road, 799.44 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 89 degrees 35 minutes 11 seconds west, 280.00 feet; thence south 00 degrees 01 minutes 12 seconds west 30.00 feet; thence south 89 degrees 35 minutes 11 seconds east, along the north line of the south 15 acres of the northeast 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of said section, 280.00 feet, thence north 00 degrees 01 minutes 12 seconds east, along the east line of said section and centerline, 30.00 feet to the point beginning. Said parcel being a part of the northeast 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 4, Town 25 North, Range 8 East.

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

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erty, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: January 30, 2013

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State of Michigan **Probate Court** County of Alcona **Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate** File No. 13-005150 DE

Estate of Frederick Alan Karow Date of birth: March 24, 1940 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Frederick Alan Karow, who lived at 421 Barlow Road, Harrisville, Michigan died January 4,

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

Date: January 31, 2013 David H. Cook P40560 5466 M-72, P.O. Box 585 Harrisville, Mich. 48740 (989) 724-5155 Lawrence Paul Karow

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Avoiding scams on Craigslist

Dollars And Sense By David Uffington

Most consumers are looking for bargains, and many cruise the Internet looking for low prices. While it's possible to get good deals online, it's also possible to be pulled into a scam, whether you're buying or selling.

Scambook (www.scambook.com) -- billed as an online resolution platform dedicated to getting justice for consumers -- has taken a close look at one popular national site, Craigslist (www.craigslist.org). Craigslist offers free online ads broken down by category and city. Ideally, with Scambook's list of caveats, you won't need its resolution services. These tips can apply to nearly any website that lets people sell directly to others.

 Trust your instincts. If an ad seems phony, don't pursue it.

 Stay local. It's a red flag if someone makes up excuses about why they can't meet, or why they want you to ship something.

 Don't get involved in cashier's checks, money orders or wire transfers. Deal in cash only. If it's a large amount of money, meet in a bank.

• Use a counterfeit-bill detection pen. You can get one for a few dollars at an office supply store.

 Don't use online escrow. These sites are typically run by scammers.

 If buying, be sure to see the goods in person before you commit. At the same time, if someone wants to buy something you're selling without even seeing it, beware. A scam is coming.

· Beware of job scams. Chances are it's an attempt to extract personal data from you. Visit the job's location before you supply any information for a background check.

· Beware ads that claim to be "certified" by Craigslist.

Check out the buyer/seller. You can use

Scambook and Google to see if someone is who he claims to be. Don't give out personal information in a public

ad online. Use Google Voice to create a free disposable phone number (https://voice.google.com).

 If a buyer has to collect an item at your home, put it outside and don't let him in the house. Have a friend with you.

Whenever you deal with an unknown person online, your risk doesn't stop at potential identity theft. It can extend to robbery, harassment and even physical assault if you meet the person alone. Whether you're looking for a snow blower, an apartment or a job, do your homework before committing to any deals.

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Busted

Veterans Post **By Freddy Groves**

Last year five men were arrested for selling, conspiring to sell and/or distributing drugs at the VA Medical Center in Bedford, Mass. There were numerous agencies involved at the local and federal levels, plus the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General. The investigation took seven months. Let's look at the players. I'll call them by initials only.

 J sold buprenorphine to an undercover federal agent, and conspired with R to sell oxycodone to an undercover federal agent.

· R conspired with J to sell oxycodone to an undercover federal agent

· D distributed controlled substances, including heroin, oxycodone, buprenorphine and clonazepam and conspired to distribute those substances.

• It was the same for H and P.

Just for clarification, buprenorphine is used to treat opioid addiction and clonazepam is for seizure and panic disorders. Oxycodone is for serious long-term pain. We're not talking aspirin here. All of these drugs can be abused and cause addiction.

Just how bad is this? J, R and D could have gotten up to 20 years in prison and a \$1 million fine. H could have gotten 10 years in prison and a \$500,000 fine. P could have gotten five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

So, what punishments did they ultimately get? J was sentenced to 15 months in prison.

R was sentenced to five years of probation.

D was sentenced to three years of probation.

H was sentenced to three years of probation. P was sentenced to two years of probation.

No, it doesn't matter that these men were veterans. What matters is that they were selling at a VA hospital with a drug rehab program, where other veterans go to get well. In some cases, they were selling the very drugs they'd been provided by the VA. Where in the sentences they received is there any incentive not to do it again?

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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

Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In 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 Ellen L. Miller, an unmarried woman. original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, mortgagee, dated July 26, 2006, and recorded on September 25, 2006 in Liber 435 on page 612, and modified by affidavit or order executed on January 7, 2013 and recorded on January 7, 2013 in Liber 494 on page 707, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of sixty-eight thousand four hundred thirtyfive and 12/100 dollars (\$68,435.12).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on February 27, 2013.

Said premises are situated in City of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: City of Harrisville, county of Alcona, state of Michigan, and is described as follows:

Parts of Sections 11 and 12, Town 26 North, Range 9 East, more fully described as follows: Commencing at the southeast corner of said Section 11; thence north 01 degrees 54 minutes 12 seconds west, along the section line common to Section 11 and 12, 891.11 feet (previously recorded as north 01

degrees 21 minutes 16 seconds west), to a found 1/2 inch rerod; thence north 02 degrees 00 minutes 26 seconds west, along said section line, 199.89 feet, to a 1/2 inch rerod; thence north 79 degrees 30 minutes 16 seconds west, 21.00 feet (previously recorded as north 81 degrees 58 minutes 01 seconds west), to a found 1/2 inch rerod; thence north 00 degrees 17 minutes 37 seconds west, 132.00 feet, (previously recorded as north 00 degrees 21 minutes 27 seconds east), to a found 1/2 inch rerod at the south line of Church Street; thence south 82 degrees 39 minutes 30 seconds east, along said Church Street, 82.73 feet, to a found 1/2 inch rerod; thence south 07 degrees 43 minutes 50 seconds west, parallel to Eighth Street, 329.23 feet; to a found 1/ 2 inch rerod at the south line of Lot 5 extended; thence north 82 degrees 42 minutes 29 seconds west, along said lot line extension, 9.51 feet, to the point of beginning. Contains 0.34 acres of land more or less.

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 pe-

Dated: January 30, 2013 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1309

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Mortgage 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. Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in the following mortgages: 1. Mortgage given by Brenda K. Bianchi, to the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture dated September 30, 1991 and recorded on October 2, 1991 in Liber 244 on pages 112 to 115 of the Alcona County records; said mortgage sequently assumed by Joanne H. Higgins; and 2. Mortgage given by Joanne H. Higgins, to the United State of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture dated February 20, 1998 and was recorded on February 20, 1998 in Liber 315, on pages 441 through 446 of the Alcona County records (collectively referred to as the mortgages).

No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now eighty-six thousand three hundred thirtyfive and 93/100 (\$86,335.93) dollars. The mortgages will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on March 13, 2013 at 10 a.m., local time, at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan which is the location of the Alcona County circuit court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgages, including interest at the rate of 6.75 percent per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in Harrisville Township, Alcona County, Michigan and is more specifically described in the mortgages as: Lot 13 Klein's Green Hills, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, pages 161-62, Alcona County records. The redemption period will expire six (6) months from the date of the sale unless the property is deemed to be abandon pursuant to MCL 600.3241a in which case the redemption period will expire thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or until the time to provide the notice required by MCL 600.3241a (c) expires, whichever is later. Please h that under MCL 600.3278, if the property is actually sold at a foreclosure sale pursuant to the procedures provided in MCL 600.3200 et. seq., as is currently anticipated by this notice of mortgage sale, then in such event, the borrower will be 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: January 30, 2013

United States of America, Acting through the Rural Development Agency F/K/A the Rural Housing Service, of the United States Department of Agriculture

Prepared by: John R. Tucker, Esq. P-

Winegarden, Haley, Lindholm & Robertson, P.L.C. G-9460 S. Saginaw Street, Suite A Grand Blanc, Michigan 48439

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael Alphonso Bustamante and Victoria Lee Bustamante, husband and wife, to H&R Block Mortgage Corporation, a Massachusetts corporation, mortgagee, dated March 24, 2006 and recorded April 13, 2006 in Liber 429, page 1,063, and Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as trustee for Soundview Home Loan Trust 2006-OPT5, asset-backed certificates, series 2006-OPT5 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred thousand six hundred fifty-two and 65/100 dollars (\$100,652.65) including interest at 2 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard P. Shepard, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Homecomings Financial Network, Inc., its successors or assigns, mortgagee, dated September 16, 2005 and recorded May 2, 2006 in Liber 430, page 534, Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by U.S. Bank National Association as trustee for RALI 2006QS2 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred twenty-two thousand four hundred thirty-three and 93/ 100 dollars (\$122,433.93) including interest at 5.875 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in

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 February 13, 2013.

Said premises are located in the township of Hawes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The premises situated in the township of Hawes, Alcona County, Michigan, more particularly described as: Lot 64 and the east 1/ 2 of Lot 65 of Woodruff Subdivision number two, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats at page 192 of the Alcona County records. Subject to restrictions, reservations, easements, convenants, oil, gas or mineral rights of record, if any.

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

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tain rights.

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 February 13, 2013. Said premises are located in the township of Hawes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 45 of Driftwood Shores Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 32 of Plats, pages 59 and 60, Alcona County records, Section 1, Township 27 North, Range 7 East.

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

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If you are a tenant in the property, please

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redemption period.

Dated: January 16, 2013

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.

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Mortgage Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Notice is hereby given that default has occurred in a mortgage given by Donald J. Paul Jr., an unmarried man, mortgagor, to Independent Mortgage Co., a dissolved Michigan corporation, as assigned to Independent Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, mortgagee. The mortgage is dated December 4, 2009, and was recorded on December 17, 2009, in Liber 467 on page 673 of the Alcona County records, and subject to an assignment of mortgage recorded at Liber 488, page 1,260. The balance owing on the mortgage as of the date of this notice is \$79,073.72, including interest at 3.75 percent per year, variable. The mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt

The mortgage will be foreclosed by sell-

ing the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder.

The sale will be held on February 20, 2013, at 10 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Alcona County court facility, 106 Fifth Street, Harrisville, Mich., that being the place of holding circuit court for Alcona County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale. The property to be sold is located in the township of Greenbush, county of Alcona, Michigan and is described as: Lots 509 and 510, Huron-Cedar Lakes Subdivision No. 5, Greenbush Township, Alcona County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 155, Alcona County records. Commonly known as 4851 Martell Road, Greenbush, Mich.; tax I.D. No. 041-148-000-509-02.

If the property described in this notice is

sold at a foreclosure sale, then under MCL 600.3278, the mortgagor will be held responsible to the buyer of the property at the foreclosure sale, or to the mortgage holder, for damage done to the property during the redemption pe-

The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later.

Smith, Martin, Powers & Knier, P.C. Dated: January 7, 2013 By: Henry L. Knier Jr. (P46393) Attorney for Independent Bank, Mortgagee 900 Washington Ave. P.O. Box 219 Bay City, MI 48707

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William Rudnik and Darlene Rudnik, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, mortgagee, dated May 11, 2009, and recorded on May 18, 2009 in Liber 461 on page 1,278, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is

claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred thirty-eight thousand nine hundred thirty-two and 86/100 dollars (\$138,932.86).

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 6, 2013.

Said premises are situated in township of Mitchell, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: The E 2/3rds of the E 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Sec 36, T27N, R6E. 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 pe-

Dated: February 6, 2013 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1300 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File No. 419008F01

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Alcona High School
51 North Barlow Road, Lincoln

Featuring music by the Swollen Fingers String Band and displays by The Alcona County Civil War Guardians Free Admission-RSVP Guaranteed Seating Held Until 5:45 p.m. By Calling 989-736-8195 or 989-736-8713 on February 7 or 8 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. or email us at rsvplincolnmi@gmail.com

Don't miss this special celebration of Lincoln's 204th Birthday, featuring Steven Spielberg's Oscar-nominated film Lincoln, followed by a community discussion about the meaning of leadership, civic engagement and "standing tall" in Lincoln, Michigan

Lincoln Comes to Lincoln!

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Free admission to the showing of the Motion Picture Lincoln

Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president of the United States, has become an American icon of courage, leadership, diplomacy and moral fortitude. On February 12, 2013, eight American towns named after Lincoln will take part in a national event celebrating his legacy. featuring exclusive screenings of Steven Spielberg's Lincoln, each town will use Lincoln's story as a jumping off point to examine the meaning of "standing tall," explore our complex histories and reflect on the importance of leadership and civic engagement. Pinpointing a complicated and pivotal moment in our nation's history, Lincoln also opens opportunities to discuss and reflect on the meaning of freedom and equality, how far we've come as a nation and the challenges we still need to overcome.

Spielberg's Lincoln has been nominated for 12 academy awards including Best Picture. Don't miss this exciting one-time event.

