

Sturgeon Point Lighthouse gets cedar shake shingle roof

By **Mary Weber**
Staff Writer

The Sturgeon Point Lighthouse is getting a new roof thanks to a long term lease between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Alcona Historical Society.

The 30-year lease opened the doors for the historical society to obtain grants for repairs needed on the lighthouse. The most urgent repair was for a new roof which the DNR granted approximately \$40,000, according to DNR forester, Eric Ostrander.

The roof shingles are northern white cedar shake and the design, engineering and construction is being performed by Butcher and Butcher of Rochester Hills, Mich., a company chosen through a state wide bidding process.

"The cedar shingles are high in quality and not every company out there knows how to work well with this product," Ostrander said. "We are excited about using the shingles and had to find the right professional company who had experience with good outcomes for roofing historic buildings. Butcher and Butcher had the design engineers available in addition to having the qualified experience necessary to do the job. The DNR likes to stick with state historic preservation office guides when seeking bids for this type of work."

Linda Klemens, president of the Alcona Historical Society, said the roof was last replaced in November of 1979. "The engineer team looked at the structure prior to roofing. Luckily, all the original beams looked good," Klemens said. "We're very excited to be working on this project with the DNR and hope to be able to secure larger grants and have more work done in the future. We're finally seeing progress at the point and can hardly wait for all the improvements to be completed."

Additional renovations the historical society will be looking at in the future is obtain-

ing grants to have a historic structure report and some archeological work done for the barracks and boat repair building. The group is also looking to get work done on the staircase, interior and exterior of the tower, brick rucktucking, window replacement in the tower, plaster work and repainting.

The historical society has monies available to build new barracks from a memorial fund honoring Floyd and Bonnie Benghauser. The Benghausers were teachers, active members of the Alcona Historical Society and the main driving force to save the lighthouse in 1982.

"We have to build the barracks in the same foot prints that the original barracks were which is something the archeologist should be able to tell us," Klemens said.

The archeology work may be a bit easier to perform now that the DNR has taken down quite a few ash trees around the lighthouse which were dead due to the emerald ash borer. The trees were located between the Bailey School and the lighthouse and may have been very close to the original foundation of the barracks. Klemens said they will

also be looking to Ostrander for advice on what kind of trees or plants to replace the ones taken down and where they should be planted.

Ostrander said he was glad the DNR had funding available for grants to allow preservation of historic sites to be

done. The monies come from a percentage collected and earmarked for cultural resources by DNR from visitors who use the state parks through the Michigan recreational passport.

The Sturgeon Point Lighthouse opens for the season

on Friday, May 24 and will be open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekends only until June 28, when it will be open seven days a week through the summer. Tower climbs are available on weekends only throughout the summer.



Workers replace the roof of the lighthouse. The old roof was put on in 1979, and is possible from a grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Photo by Mary Weber.

Old ledger brings to life history of village and a family

By **Mary Weber**
Staff Writer

An old ledger discovered in the Village of Lincoln's storage has sparked the curiosity of the village treasurer and opened a door to the history of a grandfather she never met.

Mary Kossa, the treasurer of Lincoln since 1986, discovered the ledger when she was putting township audits away in storage. She had noticed the old book before, but never bothered to open it

up until recently, when her interest was piqued by working with other old books at St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville.

"I'd been helping St. Anne's and they had sacramental records logged in two books dating back to the 1700s," Kossa said, explaining the books contained baptismal, marriage, death and burial records of parish members.

Kossa explained during summer months the church got many calls asking about

family history and they were able to help families with genealogy research from the books. St. Anne's books, however, were not in good condition and extremely fragile to use. The church has since sent the books to be restored by Etherington Conservation Service, a professional company in Indiana which preserves historic books.

It was during that time that Kossa thought of two other old books she had seen years before at the village office.

"Remember there being two books that I never paid any mind to but when I went to look for them only one book was there," Kossa said, noting that the other book was probably moved to another storage site.

The ledger Kossa found contained the minutes from the Village of Lincoln dating from 1908 to 1934.

Kossa, who lives in the house she grew up in on Main Street, has lived in Lincoln for much of her life. Both her mother and father grew up in Lincoln and came from large families, 12 children in each of her parent's families, so through her large family and close ties to Lincoln, Kossa knew many of the names written in the ledger.

Page upon page of familiar family names popped out at Kossa as she thumbed through the pages. She also saw entries from her grandfather, Peter LeCuyer, who, like Kossa, was a township treasurer.

"I knew about my grandfa-

ther, but I never met him, he died before I was born," Kossa said. The book is in good condition for as old as it is.

Each entry in the ledger is handwritten and the penmanship of the minute keeper's hand is ornate. The pages have yellowed slightly. "The spine and cover of the book shows a little wear, but you can still read the gold embossed letters with Village of Lincoln on the spine. I think that's really great they had the foresight to have Village of Lincoln printed on the book," Kossa said.

Throughout the book familiar names crop up such as village president W.G. Anderson, who was also president of the bank; township clerk Ferris Nieman, who Kossa said owned the lumberyard; president R.E. Prescott, who was the printer and owned the Alcona County Herald; Peter Medore, who owned Alcona Motors; H.M. Karr, who Kossa believed, was the pharmacist; Mr. Wilhite who was the barber; Clark Haskel, who Kossa believed, owned the elevator in town; and Mr. Walker who owned a meat market. Familiar family names such as Apsey and Higgison also appear throughout the meeting minutes.

The minute taker recorded where the meetings

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Village of Lincoln treasurer, Mary Kossa, displays the 100-year-old ledger she found in storage at the Village of Lincoln office. The ledger contains minutes from council meetings from 1908 to 1934 including information from Kossa's grandfather, Peter LeCuyer, who was also treasurer for the village in the early 1900s. The township is looking into preserving the book. Photo by Mary Weber.

Obituaries

Laura J. Gray

Laura Jean Gray, 87, of Barton City, died on Friday, May 10, 2013 at home.

she was born April 20, 1926, to Daniel and Flora (Thorton) Richardson in Barton City, where she was raised.

In 1947 she married John F. Gray in Harrisville. They were residents of Barton City, Oscoda, Germany and Washington before returning to Barton City in 1978.

A devoted homemaker, Mrs. Gray was very musical. She enjoyed playing the piano and singing.

She was a member of St. Raphael Catholic Church in Mikado.

Mrs. Gray is survived by two daughters, Deborah Gray of Barton City and Pamela (William) Jenney of New Bedford, Maine; one son, Jon (Elizabeth) Gray of Gaylord, Mich.; seven grandchildren; and one sister, Beverly Warner of Oscoda.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John, on August 31, 2001; and one brother, Richard Richardson.

Visitation will be Wednesday, May 15 from noon until the funeral Mass at 1 p.m. at St. Raphael Catholic Church in Mikado. The Rev. Bob Bissot will officiate. Burial will be in Maple Ridge Cemetery, Barton City.

Memorial donations may be made to Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, a Catholic overseas mission. Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

Rosemary L. Treinen

Rosemary L. Treinen, 56, of Alpena, died on Thursday, May 9, 2013 in Alpena.

She was born December 2, 1956 in Alpena to Walter and Marion (Crowl) Alcorn. She was raised in Lincoln.

She married Daniel J. Treinen on June 18, 1971.

She lived in Ossineke and Hubbard Lake before moving to Alpena.

Mrs. Treinen is survived by her husband, Daniel J. Treinen of Hubbard Lake; four daughters, Lisa (Henry) Ogiemwonyi of Sterling Heights, Mich., Cris (Matt) Miller of East Jordan, Mich., Kathryn Treinen and Nicole Treinen, both of Hubbard Lake; four sons, John (Jamie) Treinen of Alpena, David Treinen of Troy, Mich., Mark (Lisa Segorski) Treinen of Ossineke and Matthew Treinen of Hubbard Lake; 17 grandchildren, Nicole, Faith and Abraham Ogiemwonyi, Adrienne, Lily, Michelle, Marie and David Miller, Austen, Josh, John, Cameron, Isabelle, Alexis, Colin, Kaitlyn and Emma Treinen; one sister, Sandy Alcorn of Corning, Calif.; and one brother, David Alcorn of Wilsonville, Ore.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and one brother, Bobby Alcorn.

The funeral was held May 14 at the Huron Shores Fellowship on M-32 West in Alpena. Burial was in Twin Lakes Cemetery, Lincoln. Arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

Our granddaughter is funny, kind, wants to be a princess, loves to play with her sister and happens to have a peanut/tree nut food allergy. While this is first on our minds, Mia strives to be a normal five-year-old. Since her first reaction to ice cream at 15 months, she has carried epi-pens, never accepted food from anyone but her parents and does not share or eat food without a placemat under it.

It is a medical mystery why 15 million adults and children have a life threatening food allergy. The numbers of children affected is growing at an alarming rate. There

are at least two in every classroom that have an allergy to the top eight allergens: Egg, soy, fish, shellfish, peanut, tree nut, milk and wheat.

Most adults have never heard of food allergy unless they have a family member diagnosed with it. Unfamiliarity leads to a misunderstanding. This is not an intolerance to food, this is a condition that when an allergen is eaten or sometimes placed on the skin causes anaphylaxis, the throat to swell so the child stops breathing. It's very real and it's very scary.

Living with a food allergy can be managed, but it is not easy. Mia cannot eat anything not prepared by her

parents, she cannot attend a party alone and eating in a restaurant is dangerous.

Yes, living with a constant threat to her life is a big responsibility for a five year old to carry on her small shoulders and she carries it well. Her parents, sister, grandparents and other understanding family members will carry it too. Just by reading this, you too have lightened the load. Thank you for taking a moment to try and understand food allergy.

For more information visit www.FARE.org or www.GBFAA.org.

Tim and Diana Friedt
Spruce

To the Editor,

On April 30 I attended a presentation by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in Troy, Mich. where they talked about horizontal hydraulic fracking for natural gas in Michigan. They must have been expecting trouble from the audience

because there were armed guards posted in the auditorium.

They assured us that there were no concerns about the millions of gallons of fresh water used in fracking, the unknown, trade secret chemicals in fracking fluid, the potential for earthquakes from waste wells and radiation exposure from drilling.

They assured us that Michigan has been fracking for 60 years with few serious problems and they do not anticipate problems with the new horizontal procedure.

I was pleased to learn that most of the people in the audience were opposed to fracking when I heard the questions they wrote on 3x5 cards. References were made to horrific problems documented in Pennsylvania and New York where horizontal fracking has been done for some time. The most common answer from the panel was, "I'm not aware of that being a problem."

Similar presentations were held in Muskegon, Mich. and Traverse City, Mich. making it difficult for anyone from our part of the state to attend. At 8:55 p.m. the presenters said they were surprised by the large turnout and sorry they wouldn't get to all the questions.

I called out that they needed to schedule a meeting in northeast Michigan to let us ask questions and hear our concerns.

I believe fracking will be an economic and environmental disaster for the state, especially our area where tourism and the "Pure Michigan" brand are essential to our future. I hope that everyone will contact state and local officials and demand that the DNR and DEQ respond to our concerns.

Patty Thomas
Harrisville

Memorial

Betty Brown

A memorial service for Betty (Phillips) Brown will be held Saturday, May 18 at 1 p.m. at the Mikado Cemetery. Pastor Erie Vanbrenk will officiate. All family and friends are welcome. There will be a dinner for all family and friends at the Lincoln Baptist Church after the service.

Fire Report

Fire damaged the observation deck and stairs at the Iargo Springs interpretive site on the River Road National Scenic Byway west of Oscoda on May 3. The site is adjacent to the AuSable River.

The overlook and stairs are closed until repairs can be made. The parking lot, restrooms and nearby section of the High Banks trail remain open to the public.

Iargo Springs provided water to loggers working in the area more than a century ago and became a tourist attraction in the 1920s. During the Great Depression, the Civilian Conservation Corps reconstructed both a dam and a pathway to the springs. In 1991, the steps were added to enable visitors to climb down the steep embankment to see the springs without causing erosion.

The extent of the damage, projected costs to repair the site and repair completion dates are not yet known.

Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2012-2013

Date	Temperature (F°)		Precipitation Inches	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
May 5	59	39	0.00	0.4	9	NE
May 6	58	42	0.00	0.3	8	ENE
May 7	59	38	0.00	2.0	14	NE
May 8	66	42	0.00	1.8	12	NE
May 9	67	44	0.05	4.9	19	NE
May 10	51	31	1.00	14.3	34	NNE
May 11	52	33	0.27	4.1	30	N

Precipitation Summary (Inches)		2012-2013	
	2013	2012	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	1.32	0.54	0.56
Month of May	1.32	0.54	0.88
Year to Date	11.78	10.76	8.43

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

Calendar of Events

(Editor's Note: Entries for Calendar are always welcome. They will be published in chronological order as space allows. Entries should be turned in at least two weeks prior to the date of the event. Events sponsored by businesses or individuals to make a profit or governmental units for meeting notification are not eligible for this free public service. Sorry, "bingo," "garage sales" or "raffle ticket sales" information is also not eligible.)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

The AMA-ESD is hosting a free family engineering night from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at 2118 US-23 South, Alpena. Kindergarten through eighth grade students and their families will participate in hands-on engineering activities. To register, contact Lisa Krey at (989) 354-3101, extension 120. For more information, call Tracy D'Augustino at (989) 354-3101, extension 118.

A Red Cross blood drive will be held from noon to 6 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more info., call (989) 736-8879.

Foot clinic with Connie Cosbett, R.N. from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Cost is \$25, bring your own towel. For an appointment, call (989) 736-8879.

Sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Road, Greenbush. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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.

Food pantry from 1 to 3 p.m. at Spruce Lutheran Church, 1246 East Spruce Road, Spruce. Clients must be present to receive food and identification is required. For more information, call (989) 471-5013.

Two computers and WiFi available for seniors over 60 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Walk inside from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Twenty-three times around the hall equals one mile.

Alcona woodcarvers meet from 2 to 4 p.m. downstairs at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

THURSDAY, MAY 16

The Northeast Michigan Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. at the Alpena County Library, 211 North First

Street. Bring your laptops for an in-depth exploration of the site www.seekingmichigan.org. Tips and techniques for navigating this resource will be provided. For more information, visit www.nemgs.com or e-mail nemgs@charter.net.

The Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (MARSP) Iosco Alcona Chapter will meet at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street at 1 p.m. For more information, contact Nancy Koss at (989) 739-2648.

Blood pressure readings by Erin from Compassionate Care at 3:30 p.m. at Curtis Township Hall, 4932 F-30, Glennie. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Alcona retirees meet for lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Newcomers are welcome to come and see what this group is all about. Fun, food, games and socialize.

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.

The Greenbush Historical Society will hold their annual meeting at 7 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Road. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, call Donna Roddy at (989) 739-2159.

Two computers and WiFi available for seniors over 60 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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Lesbian, gay, bi-sexual and transgender support group will meet from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Harrisville Holistic Center, 200 North State Street. For more information, call Kay at (989) 745-8199.

FRIDAY, MAY 17

The Barton City Eagles, 671 Sanborn Road will be having a barbecued dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. Adults \$9, age six to 12 \$4, under six free. Carry-out orders available by calling (989) 736-3050.

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

Storytime and craft for children from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for more information.

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Walk inside from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Twenty-three times around the hall equals one mile.

SATURDAY, MAY 18

The ARA Farm Market will be open from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ARA site on Barlow Road in Lincoln. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

North American Migration Count. Meet at the Harrisville State Park pavilion at 1 p.m. to count birds. For more information, visit www.harrisvillnatureclub.com

The Alcona Humane Society will host a taco buffet dinner from 4 to 7:30 p.m. at Maria Hall in Harrisville, behind St. Anne Church. Cost is \$10 for adults, children age 10 and under \$5. It's Armed Forces Day so veterans and active duty personnel are offered dinners at half-price-\$5.

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Saturday, June 15

Loggers Trace at Springport Hills Golf Course, Harrisville, MI
First 18, 4 man teams. \$85 per man includes:

- 18 holes of golf with cart
- Prime Rib or Perch dinner
- Hole in one prizes
- Closest to Pin on holes 7 and 12
- Longest drive on holes 5 and 13
- Cash Prizes (based on 18 team registration)

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Local Notes

Fish Delivery

The Harrisville Harbor is the new home to almost 30,000 steelhead yearlings thanks to the continued efforts of the Lincoln Lions and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). According to Lonnie Crampton, secretary of the Lincoln Lions, the club spent the last several weeks feeding and keeping an eye on 14,400 steelhead yearlings that were delivered on April 29 and kept in acclimation pens behind the VFW Hall in Harrisville. On Monday roughly 15,000 steelhead yearlings were planted directly in the harbor by the DNR. Technicians from the DNR conducted fish health assessments on the yearlings in the acclimation pens prior to their release into Lake Huron via the Mill Creek.

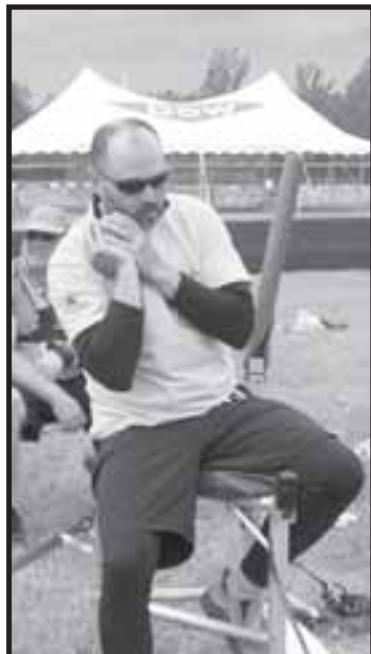
Peanut Butter Campaign

Alcona students Brett Wambold, Emily Hoffman and Taylor Zurawski spent several weeks collecting peanut butter for families in need. The idea came to Wambold when he wanted to do a random act of kindness and called local food banks to see what they needed most. The reply was peanut butter, an item high in protein but due to the cost, hard to get. Their goal was to collect 100 jars of the nutty spread. They went well over that number by collecting 152 jars of peanut butter along with 10 jars of jam and 31 bottles of barbeque sauce which they donated to the St. Vincent DePaul emergency food bank.

National Competition

Kevin Bradley of Harrisville, a member of the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America (MPVA) Wheelchair Team, is heading to the National Veterans Wheelchair Games in Tampa, Fla. in July. He will be competing in six events at the largest annual wheelchair sports competition in the world. This competition offers 17 different sports to veterans who use wheelchairs due to spinal cord injuries, amputations and neurological diseases.

He will be competing in several track and field events including shot put, javelin,



Kevin Bradley during a competition last summer.

discus, archery and hand biking events. Bradley, and the members of his team, are raising money to cover travel and accommodation expenses to be able to attend the games. Anyone interested in helping Bradley may make checks out to him directly and send them to 2390 N. US-23, Harrisville, Mich. 48740. Anyone who wants a tax deduction for their donation, may make their check out to MPVA, and send it to 40550 Grand River Ave., Novi, Mich. 48375; on the memo line write in Kevin Bradley.

Away At School

- Cassandra Sharboneau of Lincoln recently graduated from Central Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in health fitness in preventive and rehabilitative programs along with a minor in nutrition.

- Nikole Hampton, of Harrisville, graduated May 4 with honors from the University of Michigan. She received a bachelor's degree in international relations with a minor in social work and Scandinavian studies. Her specialization was in the residential college. She is fluent in both Swedish and Spanish. She has been accepted into the University of Michigan's masters of social work program and will begin her graduate work this fall. She is the daughter of Grant and KC Hampton of Harrisville and is a 2008 graduate of Alcona High School. Prior to attending U of M, she spent a year studying in Sweden.



Nikole Hampton and Lauren Silver

- Lauren Elizabeth Silver of Hubbard Lake graduated May 4 with honors from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Arts degree in natural resources and environment. She majored in program in the environment with a specialization in conservation ecology and resource management. She minored in socio-cultural anthropology. She is the daughter of Gailen and Shawn Thornton of Hubbard Lake and Thomas Silver of Weaverville, N.C. She is a 2009 graduate of Alcona High School. She has been accepted to U of M graduate school and plans to defer for a year to take an internship in her field of study.

Big Library E-Read

The Alcona County Library is participating in a program which allows e-book readers from all around the world to read the same title at the same time. The e-book, "The Four Corners of the Sky," by Michael Malone will be available to unlimited users from May 15 through June 1 through the library's overdrive system. For more information, call (989) 724-6796 or follow us on the Web at www.alcona.lib.mi.us.

Senior Menu

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

- Monday, May 20—Sloppy Joe on a bun, spudsters, green beans, tossed salad and fruit.

- Tuesday, May 21—Italian sausage, noodle casserole, mixed vegetables, pickled beets and fruit pie.

- Wednesday, May 22—Tuna salad on a croissant, bowtie pasta salad, broccoli with dip, three bean salad and fruit.

- Thursday, May 23—Oven fried chicken, potato lyonnaise, carrots, fruited Jell-O and fruit.

- Friday, May 24—Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, wax and green beans, tropical fruit and fruit.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Farm Market

The ARA Farm Market, will be open Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Campbell Building at the ARA site across from Kris Mart in Lincoln. Available this week: Asparagus, rhubarb, Swiss chard, spinach, radishes, lettuce, kale, arugula, turnips, eggs, goose eggs, a wide assortment of baked goods, all cuts of hormone-and-antibiotic-free beef, dried herbs, assorted regular, sugar-free, and all-fruit jams and jellies, soup mixes, salsa mixes, baked goods mixes, salt-free dips, dressing mixes and seasonings, dried fruit, dried beans, tomato plants, herb plants, perennials, hanging baskets, homemade laundry detergent, handmade soaps, handmade cards, tatted lace, jewelry, bookmarks, and doilies, market bags, dishcloths, braided cord, plastic bag holders, candles, mini bales of straw and hay and wooden items, and more. For more information, call (989) 724-5077.

Miss Iosco Pageant

The Miss Iosco Scholarship Pageant Committee has been preparing for the 2013 Scholarship Pageant. The committee has made some changes to update the pro-

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Ways to deal with spring allergies

Many people look forward to spring - the promise of longer days in the sun, picnics, beaches, and outdoor sports. Warm weather, however, also brings some not-so-welcome visitors such as pollens and mold spores which lead to coughing, sneezing, itchy noses, tension headaches, and sinus pressure.

"As spring begins, grass pollens, weed pollen, and mold spores are actively aggravating those with allergies. These types of allergies may prevent you from enjoying outdoor activities," said Dr. Christopher Lombardo, a board certified otolaryngologist with Alpena Regional Medical Center's Medical Group Ear, Nose & Throat.

He explained there is no cure for allergies; however allergies can be managed with proper prevention and treatment. More Americans than ever before say they are suffering from allergies. It is among the country's most

common, yet often overlooked, diseases.

Mold spores are a leading cause of outdoor airborne allergies and thrive in the summertime. Mold spores can be found in compost piles, cut grass, wooded areas, fallen leaves, soil, debris and other moist surfaces.

Experts estimate that 35 million Americans suffer from allergies because of airborne pollen. Tiny particles that are released from trees, weeds, and grasses are known as pollen. These particles are carried by the wind from tall treetops all the way to your nose.

But before shrugging off fancy flowers in fear of sniffles, remember that the types of pollen that most commonly cause allergies are from plain-looking plants, such as trees, grasses, and weeds. These plants produce small and light pollen, perfect for catching a ride on a gentle breeze.

"While over-the-counter

allergy medications may provide relief during the daytime," Lombardo said. "Avoiding the outdoors during high pollen count times and windy conditions can also offer relief."

Other tips that my help control allergies:

- Vacuum carpets and furniture, and wipe dust off all surfaces at least once a week.
- If pets are in the house, keep them out of the bedroom and close the door.
- Keep windows closed and use air conditioning.
- Use an air filter and clean it regularly. Clean air ducts at least once a year.
- Take a shower after partaking in outdoor activities to wash off any and all pollen.
- Don't smoke or allow others to smoke inside the house.
- Wash bed linens at least once a week and use allergy-proof covers.
- Use dehumidifiers in basements and other areas

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A live band performs for students at Alcona Elementary School during the History Through Dance sessions given by Glen Morningstar Jr. (right). Band members Judi Morningstar (left, seated) on dulcimer, Morningstar on banjo, Eric Dunckle on bass (left), Karen Karbowski on guitar and Bob Karbowski (seated) on fiddle explained their instruments to third-graders. Morningstar was dressed in 1800 style clothing. Students got a chance to stretch their legs as Morningstar taught them to dance quadrilles and reels during their gym time. Photo by Mary Weber.

Alcona County Sheriff's Report For the Week of May 6-12, 2013

61 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 4 Arrests; 1 Drug Crime; 1 Driving While License Suspended; 1 Operate While Intoxicated; 1 Contempt of Court.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	3	Property Damage Accidents	3
Message/Well Being Check	2	Miscellaneous	8
Dog/Animal	11	Traffic	6
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Drug Crimes	2	Littering	1
Vehicle Identification Insp.	1	Harassment/Threats/Stalking	1
Patrol Check	1	Operate While Intoxicated	1
Civil	1	Arrest	1
Breaking and Entering	4	Open Door	2
Personal Injury Accident	1	Drive While License Susp.	1
Larceny	3	Suicidal Subject	1
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Death Notification	1		

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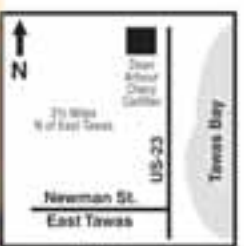
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By Kathryn Fritz Kniep
Columnist

May is springtime and flowers and May baskets and Mother's Day and, in Michigan anyway, the occasional flurry of whiteout snow.


That struck me as appropriate as I stood by my window Sunday, watching the sticky white flakes fall on the daffodils in the yard. Because May is also Chronic Pain Awareness Month.

If you have the great good fortune not to have a chronic pain disease, and not to have anyone in your family or circle of friends who deal with a chronic pain condition, and/or if you're tired of reading my annual commentary on the subject, now would probably be a good time to move on to another article. Because the key word in Chronic Pain Awareness Month is awareness, and that's what this column is about.

If you're one of the 75.6 million Americans – more than four times the number with diabetes, five times the number with heart disease – who suffer from a chronic pain disease, you probably understand already why I thought the snow in mid-May seemed appropriate to the subject.

Most chronic pain sufferers deal with some level of pain every day. As one friend explained it, you're used to dealing with it – being up and around, even smiling and laughing doesn't mean it's not there. Pain and its side effects of fatigue and necessary adjustments to activities of daily living are just part of the background noise in your life.

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And then every now and then, a snow squall in May hits. That's the pain that's debilitating – you can't walk and smile your way through -- that pins you to the couch or the bed and sometimes makes you angry or difficult or depressed. And no matter how many times it happens, it's still as surprisingly miserable as snow in May.

In our society, we like our diseases to be curable, or at least treatable to a state of remission. We haven't much patience with patients whose illness doesn't get better, or visibly worse, or at least present in a way that shows. There's a tendency, even among some members of the medical community, to believe that if it can't be fixed, it's not really broken. That it must be "all in the head." That if one is not making some major visible physical effort – even if that would not be helpful and could be harmful – their illness is imagined or hypochondric.

People who walk through snowstorms in May know better. Most of the time, they are doing what the research on their particular illness (be it migraines or chronic fatigue syndrome or rheumatoid or psoriatic arthritis or post-polio syndrome) recommend.

In the case of post-polio, for example, I can and do practice mild exercise. But since the primary issue is that I'm losing neurons and experiencing enhanced pain reaction in those that remain, "building up my muscles" with heavier exercise, as well-meaning friends sometimes suggest, would only hasten the process.

People who find snow in their shoes in May (be it from endometriosis or fibromyalgia or irritable bowel syndrome or back or neck disorders) sometimes find it hard to meet their commitments. As one commercial regarding migraine headaches says, "You live a maybe life." They require more rest than others because experiencing pain on a regular basis is often exhausting.

They often find that conventional pain relievers do not have significant impact on their symptoms. They often experience a cornucopia of symptoms that seem unrelated and haven't been researched. And except for the occasional blinding whiteout, they may just be walking through their lives the best they can.

Accordingly, like the little people in the forest or the angels unaware, you may not realize that a chronic pain sufferer is there. Or having a less than great day. They may be smiling, volunteering, attending, doing what they offered or agreed to do on a better day and fighting -- on an internal level -- pain and its attendant fatigue and confusion.

So if you have a family member or friend with a chronic pain condition, and you're trying to be aware, what can you do? Well, observe, for one thing. In my

case, when my pain levels are higher than usual I experience word loss, difficulty in remembering the names of things or finishing a sentence.

On severe days, I drop things, have difficulty with coordination and find standing or sitting for any length of time impossible. During snowstorms, my legs or arms simply give way and I fall easily – but you won't see me much on those days.

Others with chronic pain may have telltale indicators as well. If you spend time with them, and pay attention, you'll learn them. They may become quiet – or cranky. They may rub their hands or arms or other pain sites. They may seem "down" or negative or conversely, overly cheery. The best way to determine a pain sufferer's level of distress, I've learned is to learn their particular indicators. And to check their eyes, which often give a lot away.

Some things you can do to help: Ask, quietly, if they're having pain. You'd be surprised at how much it can help to have someone recognize the internal battle. Ask if they need to take a break or give up a project for the day. It's difficult to live a maybe life, those experiencing pain often need "permission" to take care of themselves. Ask if there is an adaptation that would make things easier – a different chair, a different task, a shorter time.

Some things that don't help: Making a fuss. No one wants their problems made into a big deal in public. Suggestions, if you don't know the illness. Offer those when they're not in flare and always in a non-judgmental way. Assuming that "if it were that bad" they wouldn't be able to be there – that's simply not true. Recognize the effort they may be making.

Most of all, try being aware. Although most chronic pain issues are invisible, they're real and they're there and they're making your relative or friend's life a lot harder to live, on a daily basis.

No one expects snow in May, but if you recognize that from time to time someone you care about may be walking in a whiteout, you can offer the steadying hand of understanding. That can help more than you could ever know.

(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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Elementary students enjoy tasting celebration

By Judy MacNeill
Health Writer

Over 350 students from Alcona Elementary were treated to a Fuel Up to Play 60 (FUTP60) Tasting Celebration on May 1.

FUTP60 is a program that encourages students to choose healthy foods and get at least 60 minutes of active play in every day. It is run jointly by the National Dairy Council, National Football League (NFL) and United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

As part of a grant funded by the Dairy Industry of Michigan, Alcona Elementary took part in a FUTP60 Food Celebration Fair which focused on encouraging children to eat more vegetables, fruits, low fat dairy and whole grains.

As students tasted different food samples, they were also provided "fun food facts" by the Alcona Elementary eight-member Student Wellness Team. Each student was invited to "vote" if they would like to see this particular food (recipe) included in the school's breakfast or lunch menu.

According to Faith Wallenmaier, sixth-grader and member of the FUTP60 Wellness Team, it was a lot of fun to watch students try new foods, but surprising by the different responses she observed. "I noticed the older grades were not as willing to try new foods as the kids in the younger grades," she said. Along with fellow sixth-grader Peirce Bilbey, they served up edamame poppers. Both found that many of the students had never tried edamame before; they both had to demonstrate how to "pop" open the edamame shell to reveal the edamame inside.

Malcolm Dix and Trinity Keyser, fellow sixth-graders, had the most popular food booth. "The students loved the yummy yogurt surprise," Keyser said. "The surprise we had was a raspberry that we dropped into the bottom of the ice cream cone before we scooped the yogurt on top. Then we sprinkled mini chocolate chips on top...the kids ate it right up."

A close second was the no-bake granola bites, dished up by Hunter Canute, fifth-grader and Matthew Warner, sixth-grader. "Kids kept coming back for more (samples)," Canute said.

Rose Schopfer, fifth-grader, and Brianna Fogle, sixth-grader, stated their booth featuring the tutti frutti fruit was a great success. The votes also confirmed what the girls reported: Of all the recipes that the student body tested, the tutti frutti fruit received the least amount of "no" votes; although all of the recipes received almost equal amount of "yes" votes.

As program advisor for the Alcona Elementary FUTP60 Program, I have been amazed at how the students have embraced the FUTP60 concept and have run with it...literally. What I think makes FUTP60 unique is that it is a program run by students, for students.

I like that kids are teach-

ing their fellow students about nutrition and physical activity. The very best way to learn, in my opinion, is to teach.

We all have heard by now the studies that show well-nourished kids are better students, but are we also learning that being physically active may help students improve self-esteem, cognitive function and test scores. As a parent and as a community member, I want to see young people in Alcona become their best. It's not only good for the student, our entire community benefits.

All in all, the FUTP60 Wellness Team reported that the Fuel Up to Play 60 tasting celebration fair at Alcona Elementary was a resounding success.

The following recipes, along with several others that will be submitted by students, teachers, and the program advisor, will be included in a special Alcona Elementary FUTP60 Cookbook that each student will receive by the end of this school year.

As Alcona Elementary students learned, low fat dairy has an abundance of nutrients, such as calcium, vitamin D, phosphorus, and protein that our bodies need to keep bones strong. Skim or low-fat milk, yogurt, cottage cheese, or reduced-fat cheese are excellent sources of these nutrients, and kids need these daily to help with rapidly growing bodies.

Yummy Yogurt Surprise

The recipe that won the "favorite" among the Alcona Elementary students was a simple one, but the presentation gave it the "wow" factor. In this case, a fruit "surprise" (raspberry) was placed in the bottom of a plain icecream cup, then topped with Greek low fat vanilla yogurt, with a light sprinkle of mini chocolate chips added for a fun touch. The nice thing about this is any combination will do, but the major star of this recipe is the yogurt.

Ingredients: Greek vanilla low fat or fat free vanilla-flavored yogurt

Your choice fruit for topping, such as pineapple, kiwi, strawberries, raspberries, bananas, et cetera.

Ice cream cones

Optional: ¼ tsp mini chocolate chips for topping

Edamame "Poppers"

Edamame is an immature soybean. Just a half cup can really punch up the fiber, protein and vitamin/mineral content of your diet.

In the supermarket, you can find two types of edamame in the frozen vegetable section: shelled or with the pods. Both are already cooked and ready to be thawed and eaten.

Elementary students were served the edamame in the pod. The Alcona Wellness Team was nice enough to "pop" them for the kids (just squeeze the pod and the edamame pops out). It's a great finger food, and is very satisfying due to its high protein and fiber content

No-Bake Granola Bars

Whole grains are packed

with nutrients including protein, fiber, B vitamins, antioxidants, and trace minerals (iron, zinc, copper, and magnesium). A diet rich in whole grains has been shown to reduce the risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes, obesity, and some forms of cancer. Whole-grain diets can also improve bowel health by helping to maintain regular bowel movements and promote growth of healthy bacteria in the colon.

A whole grain contains all edible parts of the grain, including the bran, germ, and endosperm. When shopping, look for grains that have the word "whole" included as first ingredient, such as "whole wheat," "whole oats," or "whole grain barley."

Here is the recipe:

- 1 1/4 cups whole grain cereal
- 1 cup oatmeal

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Allergies

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of the house that can collect mold and clean the devices every week.

- Air out damp shoes and clothes in the house before storing them.

- Fix leaky pipes and other moisture problems to lessen the growth of mold.

- Avoid wooded areas or gardens as much as possible.

In addition to taking the precautions above, individuals can also investigate several other treatments for severe allergies with the help of your doctor. Some allergies require stronger prescriptions, including antihistamines to decrease symptoms like runny nose, sneezing, itchy throat, and watery eyes; antihistamines with decongestants or nasal sprays. Ultimately, skin testing for allergies with targeted immunotherapy provides the best long term results for chronic allergy sufferers.

"If you're still having issues, an allergist can help you determine if you have developed asthma, as well," Lombardo said. "Sometimes inhalant allergies can trigger asthma and controlling the allergies will control the asthma, fading many of your symptoms."

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Local Notes

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gram. The Miss Iosco Pageant is moving from the fall to July 26. This change is an effort to accommodate young college students as well as athletes. This also aligns with the change in the Miss America program moving to September this year.

This year's program includes the expansion of boundaries for the Miss Iosco title. Young women, ages 17-27, which live, work or attend school in Iosco County, Arenac County or Ogemaw County are eligible to compete in the pageant. The winner of the 2013 pageant will compete at Miss Michigan in June of 2014.

In addition, the Outstanding Teen competition will now be an open pageant. An open pageant accepts contestants from all over the state. These girls, ages 13-17, do not have to reside in the pageant area to compete. Girls can compete in as many open pageants in one year as they like. The recipient of this crown will have the opportunity to compete in Miss Michigan

Outstanding Teen in 2014.

The Iosco Princess program, for girls 8-12, will also be part of the pageant in July. This is designed to introduce the girls to the Miss America organization. These young ladies must live or attend a school in Iosco County. All three programs are part of the Miss America and Miss Michigan Scholarship programs. The Miss Iosco Scholarship Pageant Committee will have orientation June 23 with more information for the Miss, Outstanding Teen and Princess pageants. The program, A Night at the Movies on July 26, will be held in the Oscoda High School Maryanne Bartels Auditorium.

Financial Literacy Month in April. April's Financial Literacy Month includes a variety of local workshops and programs put on by financial institutions across the state.

"The Financial Literacy Legislative Challenge is an excellent opportunity for students to pose questions to their local legislative leaders and to learn important financial skills," said Donald J. Mills, president and CEO of Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union. "The Credit Union Movement is committed to increasing financial awareness among our youth and to teach the importance of being financially savvy."

Melissa Stoner, Tiger Branch supervisor, presented to the class along with Pettalia. During the workshop, Stoner emphasized the importance of establishing credit, opening up a savings account and described benefits of having a credit card after graduating from high school. Pettalia discussed how the state government works, the importance of having a credit card and using it wisely and explained how to maintain a good credit score rating.

Student Fiscal Discussion

Twelfth-grade students at Alcona High School met with State Representative Peter Pettalia on April 29 as part of the Michigan Credit Union League's Financial Literacy Legislative Challenge. This is the 10th year of the challenge, which in 2013 connected 35 state legislators with students during Money Smart Week (April 20-27) and

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were held and most often they would be at the businesses the council members owned. Kossa noted there was no village office then and it was mostly prominent business owners in the bustling community that were elected to office.

There are many different ordinances, bills and receipts mentioned in the ledger. One entry that Kossa's grandfather wrote was the village treasurer's report for 1916 with a balance on hand of \$28.90. Village taxes that year were \$74.89 and had one delinquent tax of \$4.27. The street and bridge fund balance was \$22.76 and a sidewalk rebate fund had a balance of \$12.94.

"It's fascinating to read some of these entries," Kossa said as she read an ordinance which declared that sheep and hogs are prohibited on streets unattended at any time and a fine of 25 cents per head would be given for each violation.

"I think people would be interested in this. It's been sitting in the village office all these years without anyone paying any mind to it. When I realized all that was in the book I thought we have to protect this. This is our history and it's our obligation to save it. I knew my grandfather was the treasurer, but it never sunk in too much, because I didn't know him and then here he is; now it means a lot."

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SUNDAY, MAY 19

The Thunder Bay Arts Council Community Chorus will present "The Colors of Music" at 7:30 p.m. at the Stanley C. Beck Auditorium at Alpena High School. Doors open at 7 p.m., concert begins at 7:30 p.m. No charge, but donations appreciated.

Our Kids Organization Memorial Scholarship Golf Event Fundraiser will be held at Eagle Ridge Golf Club, 3501 M-65, Glennie. Cost is \$50 per person. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., shotgun start at 9 a.m. For more information, call (989) 305-5378. Proceeds to fund the SFC Mark W. Jackson scholarship fund.

MONDAY, MAY 20

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

The monthly Teen Book Club will meet at the Alcona High School media center, 51 North Barlow Road, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. 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 to 18. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

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.

There will be a free Zumba class for everyone, instructed by Jan Klein at 5:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. No registration required. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

Two computers and WiFi available for seniors over 60 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

Walk inside from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Twenty-three times around the hall equals one mile.

TUESDAY, MAY 21

Sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

The Alcona Book Club will meet from noon to 1 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the

Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. The selection for May is "The Hunger Games" by Suzanne Collins. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

An artist reception for the East Shore Art Guild will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Refreshments will be provided.

"Dining with the Docs" at 5:30 p.m. at the Alcona Health Center in Lincoln. The topic will be medical history tidbits with Dr. Calvin Maestro. Includes dinner, no charge, must register by calling (989) 724-6796.

Weight loss support group will meet at the Lincoln United Methodist Church, 101 East 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.

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Walk inside from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Twenty-three times around the hall equals one mile.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

A soup and pie supper will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23). A free will offering will be accepted with all proceeds going toward a new church roof.

Foot clinic with Connie Cosbett, R.N. from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Cost is \$25, bring your own towel. For an appointment, call (989) 736-8879.

Sing-a-long at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 3029 Campbell Road, Greenbush. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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.

The Alcona County Library will meet at 2 p.m. at the Mikado branch, 2291 South F-41.

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

three times around the hall equals one mile.

Alcona woodcarvers meet from 2 to 4 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers are welcome.

THURSDAY, MAY 23

The Alcona County Amateur Radio Group will meet at the EMS building, 260 East M-72 at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in amateur radio, emergency and public service communications is invited to attend. Free refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Stan Darmofal at (989) 724-5550 or visit www.alconaradio.org.

Free Zumba class with Paula at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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The Alcona Elementary Wellness Team (from left) Rose Schopfer, Malcolm Dix, Pierce Bilbey, Matthew Warner, Faith Wallenmaier, Trinity Keyser, Brianna Fogle and Hunter Canute. Not pictured: Lead program advisor Judy MacNeill and program advisor and school nurse Andrea Eby. *Courtesy photo.*

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1 teaspoon vanilla extract
Lightly grease an eight-inch square pan with vegetable oil spray like Pam spray.

Combine the whole grain cereal, oatmeal, flaxseed, and optional ingredients in a large bowl.

Combine the syrup, and nut butter in a microwavable bowl and heat until just melted, about 30-60 seconds. Stir in vanilla extract.

Pour nut butter/syrup over cereal mixture and stir well with a spatula.

Tutti Frutti Fruit

Fruits and vegetables contain essential vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants that keep your body functioning well and protect it against many chronic diseases. Health experts recommend two and a half to three cups of vegetables and one and a half to two cups of fruit per day for adults. To make sure you get all of the goodness in

fruits and vegetables, try to get a variety in your diet, focusing on produce with the deepest colors. In fact, the more colors in your diet, the better.

Ingredients: Any combination of five fruits, sliced up, then mixed with your favorite flavor of lowfat or fat free yogurt. To get the best nutritional package, try to include one fruit from the colors of the rainbow.

For example:

- Blue purple: Blueberries, purple seedless grapes, figs, blackberries, plums
- Green: Kiwi, green grapes, green apples, honeydew melon
- Orange: Oranges, tangerines, cantaloupe, apricots, mango, or peaches
- Red: Strawberries, cherries, raspberries, watermelon, or red apples
- White/Yellow: Banana, pineapple, pears.

American Life in Poetry

By Ted Kooser
U.S. Poet Laureate, 2004-2006

There's something wonderful about happening upon a musician playing for his or her own pleasure, completely absorbed in the music. Jeff Daniel Marion is a fine poet from east Tennessee. And here's a woman playing the bagpipes.

Playing to the River

She stands by the riverbank,
notes from her bagpipes lapping
across to us as we wait
for the traffic light to change.
She does not know we hear—
she is playing to the river,
a song for the water, the flow
of an unknown melody to the rocky
bluffs beyond, for the mist
that was this morning, shroud
of past lives: fishermen
and riverboat gamblers, tugboat captains
and log raftsmen, pioneer and native
slipping through the eddies of time.
She plays for them all, both dirge
and surging hymn, for what has passed
and is passing as we slip
into the currents of traffic,
the changed light bearing us away.

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Tigers win their own tournament, pick up more conference wins

By Jared Steiner
Baseball Writer

For the first time in five years the Alcona varsity baseball team won the championship trophy of the Tiger Invitational Tournament.

With a mercy win over Hale 16-1, and defeating Ubly 13-7 in the championship game,

the Tigers walked away with the trophy for their own tournament.

In the first game, Joe Hudgins was on the mound for the Tigers and got the win. Strong batting and a steady defense helped Alcona get easily into the finals. In the second game, the Tigers

squared off against Ubly and came away with a 13-7 victory which saw several lead changes and good pitching. Nathan Fettes threw for six innings and Cody Franklin came on in the seventh inning to get the save.

Earlier in the week, the Tigers traveled to face off against the Whittemore-Prescott Cardinals in an important Huron Shores Conference match up. Alcona split the doubleheader losing the first game 7-0 but taking the second by a score of 9-8.

Franklin pitched the first three innings and allowed two hits and five runs with eight strikeouts. Hudgins threw the next two innings and allowed three hits. In the nightcap, Fettes pitched for four and a half innings, allowing just four hits. Franklin came in to close, striking out two in the sixth inning. Fettes was three for three including two doubles and Franklin had a double to lead the Tiger's bats.

On Thursday, May 9 Alcona hosted the visiting Oscoda Owls in another Huron Shores Conference doubleheader and won both games with scores of 4-2 and 10-0.

Franklin pitched the first game for the Tigers and struck out 15 batters and only allowed two hits and three walks to get the win. Fettes tripled and Jared Steiner and Carson Jamieson each added a hit for the Tigers.

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Tiger Austin Cole is ready to steal during a recent game against Oscoda. Photo by Kathy Steiner.



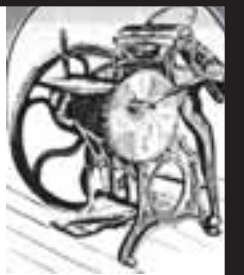
Tiger pitcher Carson Jamieson whips in a strike in a game with Oscoda. Photo by Kathy Steiner.



Helen McGuire celebrated her 100th birthday on April 13, 2013 with family. She married Dessie Proconier in 1948, moving to the family farm. She has one son, Ronald Proconier, and one grandson, Dessie Proconier. She enjoyed the farm life, tending to her chickens and garden and was known for her delicious molasses and sugar cookies. She learned to bake from her mother-in-law. Everyone had a good time celebrating this lady's centennial birthday. Courtesy photo.



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Archives captures, cares for Michigan's memory

Tucked into a light grey archival box on a shelf in the Archives of Michigan, organized neatly in manila folders, the yellowing onion skin typing paper represents the loving correspondence of a Michigan man and woman, a World War II soldier and his wife.

"Dearest, You know now that the invasion has started ..." starts a letter from Charles Westie, a Michigan soldier, writing to his wife, Ardith, on June 6, 1944 - D-Day. During the coming weeks, Westie would serve in combat in France as part of the invasion force that turned the tide in Europe in the Allied Forces' favor.

The Westie correspondence, between two ordinary people caught up in extraordinary circumstances, shows the difficulty of the life of a soldier, waiting in England for his orders to go to battle in Europe, and his wife, waiting anxiously in Michigan for any news from her husband.

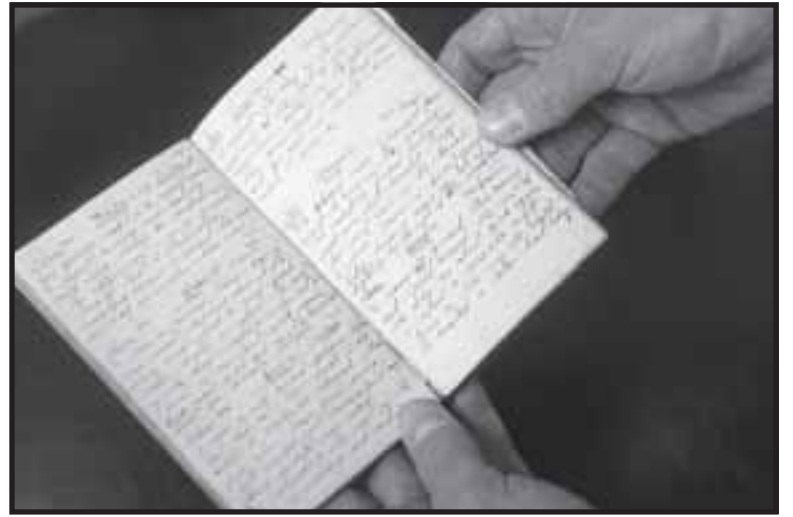
In the days before e-mail, mobile phones and Internet, letters had to carry the news across the ocean, from mundane daily observations to

Tigers

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In the nightcap, Jamieson was on the mound and got the win allowing only one hit and two walks with six strikeouts. Franklin smashed a home run, Steiner was three for three and Austin Richardson and Hudgins each had two hits to lead Alcona's bats.

The Tigers' record is 15-5 overall and 9-1 in the Huron Shores Conference. Alcona will have traveled to Standish-Sterling by press time and also will host Tawas on Thursday, May 16.



This rare 1899 diary from the Philippine-American War written by a Michigan soldier is just one of the historically significant items kept at the Archives of Michigan. The Archives is celebrating its 100th year in 2013. *Photo courtesy of Michigan Department of Natural Resources.*

the idealism of the greatest generation.

These letters, along with hundreds of thousands of documents, maps, records, photographs and other ephemera, make up the Archives of Michigan. The archives holds more than 120 million records that tell the story of Michigan from the encounters of Europeans and Native Americans to records from Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

The archives, the Michigan Historical Museum, and the Michigan Historical Commission all mark their 100th anniversary this year, coming into existence in 1913 with a law signed by then-Gov. Woodbridge N. Ferris. The law created the Michigan Historical Commission, and directed the body to collect, arrange and preserve historical material related to Michigan and the old Northwest Territory.

"The Archives of Michigan serves as Michigan's memory. It holds the historical documents, maps and photographs of state and local governments and private citizens," said Mark Harvey, state archivist. "The archives collections document the tragedies and triumphs of the government and individuals of the great state of Michigan."

With documents dating back to 1792, the Archives of Michigan holds a vast selection of historical documents ranging from the original blueprints and architect's drawings of the Michigan Capitol Building to the papers of former state legislators, to naturalization records from the turn of the century, to more personal collections, such as the Westie letters and a rare diary from a Michigan soldier who witnessed the Philip-

pine-American War in 1899.

Many of the items in the archives were donated by families or individuals who wanted to preserve documents and grant access to them for research or educational purposes. Not everything donated to the archives has to be from someone famous, explained Bob Garrett, a 13-year employee of the archives who processes collections large and small for inclusion in the archives.

"We often look for items that are from a historically significant time, such as during a war, that tell a Michigan story from that time from the point of view of one or more people," Garrett said. "Letters or records that show how people experienced World War II or the immigrant's life in the early 1900s or the Civil War or lumber camp experience of the late 19th century are often very telling to historians and researchers."

Families interested in donating materials can ask the archives staff to review the materials before making their donation.

Records come to the archives in varying degrees of condition and organization. State government records often come in filing cabinets and are fairly well organized, Garrett said. Records from an individual or family often come more loosely organized, but even that tells the archives staff something about the person who collected and held on to the materials.

"People tend to hang on to things from the time in their life they feel was most important," Garrett said, noting an individual's personal records tend to be organized around their career or family events.

The majority of the records

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SENIOR LIFESTYLES

How married couples can boost their Social Security checks

Dear Savvy Senior,
I've heard that there are strategies available that can help married couples increase their Social Security benefits when they retire. My wife and I are approaching retirement age and would like to understand these options. What can you tell us?

Getting Prepared

Dear Getting,
If you're willing to wait to full retirement age and beyond, married couples have several unique claiming options that could actually add tens of thousands of dollars to your Social Security checks over your retirement.

Before we go over the different benefit boosting options for married couples, it's important to know that the most commonly used strategy for increasing retirement benefits is to delay taking them.

While workers can start collecting their Social Security

retirement benefits as early as age 62, postponing them to full retirement age (which is 66 if you were born between 1943 and 1954), or better yet to age 70, can make a big difference.

Let's say, for example, that you're eligible for a \$1,200 monthly benefit at age 62. By waiting to 66 your monthly benefit would increase to \$1,600. And by delaying to age 70, you would boost your benefit a whopping 76 percent to \$2,112. Delaying will also increase your wife's survivor benefit if you die first. Waiting, however, beyond age 70 will not increase your benefits.

In addition to waiting, Social Security also offers two other little known strategies for married couples, but you must be at least full retirement age (currently 66) to use them.

The first one is called "claim and suspend" (see ssa.gov/retire2/suspend -

htm) that allows a worker at full retirement age to file for Social Security so their spouse can begin collecting a spousal benefit, but asks to receive their own benefit later.

This is best suited for one-earner couples where one spouse worked full-time and the other spouse did not work outside the home or did not work long enough to qualify for Social Security retirement benefits.

Here's an example of how it works: Let's say that you are age 66, but want to keep working until 70 to collect a higher benefit. Let's also say your wife is a nonworking spouse who just turned 62 and would like to start receiving spousal benefits on your work record.

The problem is she can't get them until you sign up. So you file for your Social Security benefits but request an immediate suspension which allows your wife to

claim spousal benefits, without locking you into a lower payment for life. Then when you do decide to start collecting, at age 70, you end the suspension and receive a higher benefit for delaying.

This strategy can also be used if you have children under 18, or 19 if they are still attending high school, or are disabled. Each dependent child is eligible for up to 50 percent of the retiree's full benefit. And, if any child is younger than 16, your spouse can also qualify for additional benefits as a caregiver, even if she's under age 62.

For two-career couples, the second strategy known as "claim twice," lets you collect Social Security (at full retirement age) first as a spouse and later using your own work record.

Here's how it works: Let's say that you are 66 and would like to continue working until age 70. But, your wife

Savvy Senior

started collecting her benefits on her own work record at age 64. You could file a "restricted" application with Social Security and collect a spousal benefit which is half of what your wife gets.

Then, once you reach 70, you stop receiving the spousal benefit and switch to your own benefit, which will be 32 percent higher than the benefit you would have collected at your full retirement age.

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Seniors: Avoid becoming unscorable and maintain credit history

(ARA) - Many seniors spend their whole life managing their money with flawless proficiency. They have a sparkling credit score and very little debt. But is it possible to get to a point where so little debt could actually fail to register a credit score?

For seniors who have paid off most of their major debts, such as home and auto loans, and don't use credit cards or store retail credit on a regular basis, the possibility of becoming "unscorable" exists. This can happen because credit score models rely on recent credit activity in order to generate an accurate score. If all recorded credit activity has stopped, then there's no recent information to use as the basis for a credit score.

As a recent Experian study points out, older individuals tend to have better credit scores, so it's important for seniors to do what they can to sustain theirs.

Why is having a credit score important for seniors? If the mortgage is paid off and there is plenty of savings on hand to last, some might wonder why maintaining a credit score would be important. Although some seniors may not be planning on taking out another home loan or making other major purchases on credit, they may need a score for other life events, such as:

- Financing unexpected needs
- Applying for rental housing if planning to sell their house and downsizing
- Establishing an account with a cellphone provider or other utility
- Acting as a co-signer on a loan
- Entering into a reverse mortgage

While it may seem logical to close accounts that are not used or needed, seniors can keep their score active by maintaining them. This is especially important if they've paid off their mortgage and auto loans.

VantageScore, which has the ability to provide a credit score to a broader population of consumers with limited credit histories, recommends keeping at least one credit card active. It's a good idea for individuals to use each of their accounts at least once every 24 months so that their payment data gets reported to the three national credit reporting companies (CRCs) -- Equifax, Experian and TransUnion.

They can avoid incurring interest simply by paying off their balance after making a purchase. If someone wants to close out credit card accounts, it's best for their credit profile to keep the oldest accounts active. Credit score models put greater emphasis on the older credit accounts in an individual's credit files because it demonstrates that they have a reliable history of on-time payments.

If anyone ends up in this situation, VantageScore recommends opening a secured credit card, which is a credit card that includes a deposit. Be sure the card issuer reports payments to the three

major CRCs. Some of these cards convert to a regular credit card after a certain period of time.

Another option is to work with a lender that offers manual underwriting, or one with whom they have already established a relationship and knows their finances. Some of the major lenders have the ability to issue credit the old-fashioned way by reviewing credit files and other data to determine the specific terms if an individual qualifies for a loan.

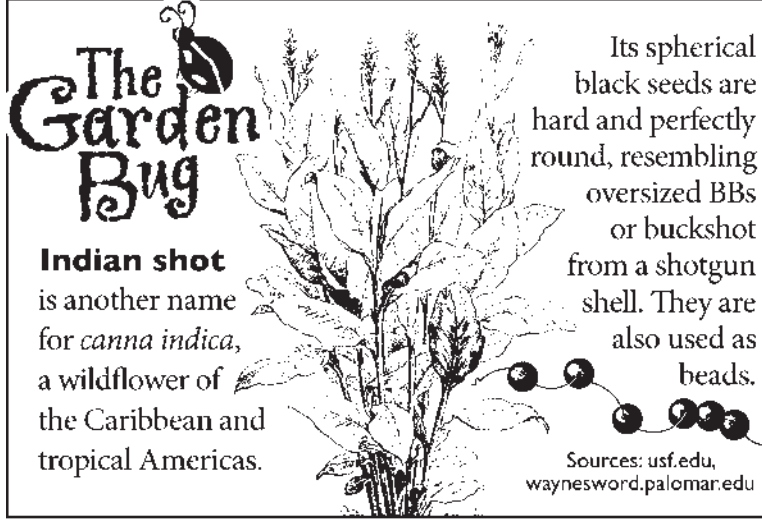
Here again, be sure to work with a lender that is reporting payments in order to re-populate credit files.

Once credit rebuilding begins, an individual will actually become eligible to receive a VantageScore credit score as soon as one month after a lender first reports their payment information to the CRCs, though for other models this timeframe could be as great as six months later.

If someone does end up without a credit score, anyone -- especially someone with a solid financial history -- can rebuild their credit by taking a few easy steps.

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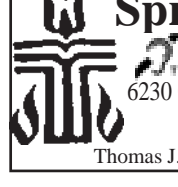
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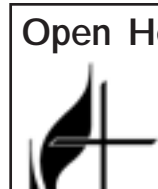
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Alcona hurler Alissa Terpstra throws in a pitch while Marisa Hirschfelt gets ready at second base in the "Camo for a Cause" game with Oscoda last Thursday. Photo by Kathy Steiner.

Alcona track team battles extreme temps in Ogemaw

By Hope Smith
Track Writer

Unlike many other sports, track athletes know they have to adapt and be able to run in all conditions; rain, snow, sleet and, on the flip side, extreme heat and humidity.

On May 10 -- probably one of the coldest and wettest nights this season -- the Alcona track team traveled to Ogemaw Heights High School to compete in the Falcon Invitational. This meet is considered one of most important of the season because of the level of competition of the athletes attending.

Alcona stepped onto the track Friday night ready to compete against athletes from Whittemore-Prescott, Harrison Community, Tawas, Oscoda, Posen and Skeels Christian schools in the small division and Alpena, Ogemaw Heights, Roscommon, Gladwin and Houghton Lake high schools made up the large division.

All 12 schools competed against each other but were scored according to their respective divisions. Alcona girls finished third in the small school division with 101.50 points. The boys finished fourth with 75 points.

Girls results:

- High jump: Third place (tie) - Torie Harmon, 4 feet, 04.00 inches
- 4x800 relay: First place - Megan Quick, Harmon, Nikki Smith, Karina Cole, 11:06.90
- 4x200 relay: Second place - Smith, Harmon, Sydney Pierce, Miranda Schalk, 2:04.86
- 100m dash: Fifth place - Schalk, 15.09
- 1600m run: Second place - Cole, 6:05.20
- 400m dash: First place - Quick, 1:02.11
- 300m hurdles: Third place - Pierce, 57.96
- 800m run: First place - Quick, 2:31.90; third place - Cole, 2:45.00
- 200m dash: Third place - Schalk, 30.79; fifth place - Smith, 31.71
- 3200m run: Second place - Harlie LaFond, 14:57.90
- 4x400 relay: First place - Quick, Smith, Harmon, Cole, 4:31.20

Boys results:

- Long jump: Fourth place - Eric Hampton 17 feet; 10th place - Kyle Good, 15 feet, 03.00 inches
 - 4x800 relay: Second place - Nick Bouchard, Jacob Stelmachowske, Chad Hanecow, Steven Rizzotto, 9:57.70
 - 110m hurdles: Fifth place - Good 18.89; seventh place - Bouchard, 19.92
 - 100m dash: Second place - A. Ritchie, 12.05; 10th place - B. Ritchie, 12.98
 - 4x200 relay: Second place - B. Ritchie, Mitch Havercroft, Hampton, Norling, 1:43.03
 - 1600m run: Ninth place - Bouchard, 5:45.80
 - 4x100 relay: First place - A. Ritchie, Norling, Havercroft, Hampton, 47.67
 - 400m dash: eighth place - Nicholas Lamantia, 1:01.73
 - 300m hurdles: Seventh place - Good ,50.34; eighth place - Bouchard, 52.01
 - 800m run: Fifth place - Stelmachowske, 2:37.60; sixth place - Hanecow, 2:38.10; seventh place - Rizzotto, 2:47.70
 - 200m dash: Second place - A. Ritchie, 24.36; eighth place; Lamantia, 26.84
 - 4x400 relay: Second place - Norling, Hampton, Havercroft, A. Ritchie, 4:08.10
- On May 6 the Tigers traveled to Johannesburg-Lewiston to face competition from athletes from Grand Traverse Academy, Inland



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Alcona Review Weather Report May 15, 2013

Seven Day Forecast

WEDNESDAY
Isolated T-storms
High: 72 Low: 43

THURSDAY
Mostly Sunny
High: 70 Low: 48

FRIDAY
Mostly Sunny
High: 61 Low: 46

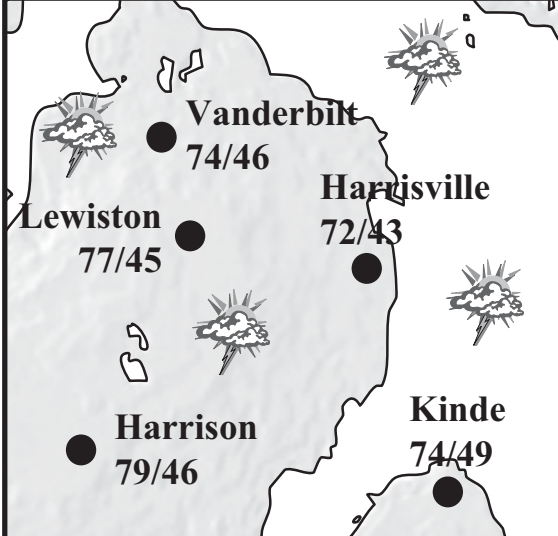
SATURDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 57 Low: 47

SUNDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 62 Low: 51

MONDAY
T-storms Likely
High: 61 Low: 45

TUESDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 58 Low: 44

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

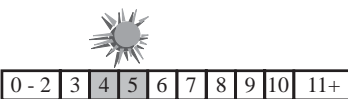
Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 72°, humidity of 52%. West wind 5 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 92° set in 1962. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 43°. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

***Last Week's Almanac**

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	73	37	60/37	0.00"
Tuesday	73	36	61/37	0.00"
Wednesday	77	38	61/38	0.00"
Thursday	76	43	62/38	0.00"
Friday	62	37	62/38	1.27"
Saturday	56	34	62/39	0.38"
Sunday	41	32	63/39	0.06"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local UV Index




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

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	6:03 a.m.	8:55 p.m.	10:42 a.m.	12:39 a.m.
Thursday	6:02 a.m.	8:56 p.m.	11:41 a.m.	1:13 a.m.
Friday	6:01 a.m.	8:57 p.m.	12:41 p.m.	1:43 a.m.
Saturday	6:00 a.m.	8:58 p.m.	1:44 p.m.	2:12 a.m.
Sunday	5:59 a.m.	8:59 p.m.	2:48 p.m.	2:39 a.m.
Monday	5:58 a.m.	9:00 p.m.	3:55 p.m.	3:07 a.m.
Tuesday	5:57 a.m.	9:01 p.m.	5:05 p.m.	3:36 a.m.

National Weather Summary This Week



The Northeast will see partly cloudy to cloudy skies with scattered showers and thunderstorms today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 87° in Danville, Ill. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today and Thursday, isolated thunderstorms Friday, with the highest temperature of 89° in Tampa, Fla. The Northwest will see partly cloudy to cloudy skies and a few showers today and Thursday, scattered thunderstorms Friday, with the highest temperature of 80° in Torrington, Wyo. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 103° in Blythe, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	6:16 a.m.	9:23 p.m.
Venus	6:45 a.m.	9:59 p.m.
Mars	5:49 a.m.	8:19 p.m.
Jupiter	7:37 a.m.	10:59 p.m.
Saturn	7:02 p.m.	5:40 a.m.
Uranus	4:24 a.m.	4:58 p.m.

Weather History

May 15, 1834 - The Northern Atlantic Coast States were in the midst of their greatest May snowstorm of record. The hills around Newbury, Vt. were covered with two to three feet of snow.


Weather Trivia

When is a wind advisory issued by the National Weather Service?

Answer: When sustained winds reach 30 mph or gusts reach 40 mph.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - The Eclipse that Almost Isn't



On the evening of May 24/25, one of the most ephemeral of astronomical events takes place. It is a partial penumbral eclipse of the moon. Lunar eclipses occur when the sun, Earth, and moon are aligned so precisely that the moon passes through one or both of the shadows of the Earth. The Earth, or for that matter any astronomical body, produces two types of shadows, an umbra and a penumbra, derived from the Latin and meaning shade and light shade respectively. Any portion of the moon that is inside the Earth's umbra would be a location from which an astronaut on the moon would see the Earth completely blocking the sun. That same onlooker positioned within Earth's penumbral shadow would notice, using the correct filters, only part of the Earth covering part of the sun. Because of the sizes of the umbra and penumbra at the moon's distance, four types of lunar eclipses are possible. The moon can pass completely into Earth's umbra creating a total lunar eclipse or the moon can pass partly into the umbra creating a partial lunar eclipse. The moon can also pass completely into the penumbra, producing a total penumbral eclipse, or partly into the penumbra with the rest of the moon in sunlight. This would be called a partial penumbral eclipse. Because the moon's orbit is tilted by just over five degrees to the Earth's orbital plane, the full moon usually passes either above or below Earth's shadow, and no eclipse happens at all. Three lunar eclipses arise in 2013 and they are all losers, but the worst of the lot, "visible" from the Americas starts at 11:53 p.m. EDT on May 24 and ends 33 minutes later at 12:26 a.m. May 25. Only four percent of the diameter of the moon penetrates into the Earth's penumbral shadow, an event that will go unnoticed by even the keenest of observational eyes. Still for the records, it has to be listed as a lunar eclipse, the eclipse that almost isn't. www.astronomy.org

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Lakes, Mancelona, Pellston, Onaway, Rogers City, Central Lake Public, St. Mary's Cathedral, Ellsworth Community, Johannesburg-Lewiston (with two teams) high schools.

Alcona captain Megan Quick took advantage of the perfect conditions to set a new school record in the 800m dash with 2:22.328, beating her previous record of 2:24.00 which she set in 2012.

Captain Aaron Ritchie took the gold in the 100m dash with 11.978. Overall, the girls team finished fifth out of 13 schools with 54 points. The boys team had a third place finish with 60 points.

Girls results:

- High jump: Fourth place - Torie Harmon, 4 feet, 06.00 inches
- 4x800 relay: Third place - Cole, Smith, LaFond, Quick, 11:08.031
- 100m hurdles: Third place - Harmon, 18.208
- 4x200 relay: Sixth place - Smith, Harmon, Sam Zerbst, Schalk, 2:04.67

- 1600m run: Second place - Cole, 5:52.336
- 4x100 relay: Second place - Smith, Schalk, Cole, Quick, 56.348
- 800m run: First place - Quick, 2.22.328 (new school record)
- 4x400 relay: First place - Quick, Smith, Harmon, Cole, 4:25.408

Boys results:

- Long jump: Second place, Eric Hampton, 18 feet, 01.25 inches
- Pole vault: Third place - Garrette Norling, 9 feet, 06.00 inches
- 4x800 relay: Sixth place



Megan Quick setting new school record in 800m run.



The Tiger 4x400 relay team (from left) Aaron Ritchie, Garrette Norling, Mitchel Havercroft and Eric Hampton, pick up first place in Falcon Invitational. Photos by Tammy Quick.

- Bouchard, Haneckow, Stelmachoske, Jeff Schram, 9:57.565
- 110 hurdles: Seventh place - Good, 19.49; ninth place - Bouchard, 19.601
- 100m dash: First place - A. Ritchie, 11.978
- 4x200 relay: Third place - B. Ritchie, Schram, Hampton, Norling, 1:42.921
- 4x100 relay: Second place - A. Ritchie, Hampton, Havercroft, Norling, 46.38
- 400m dash: 10th place - Lamantia, 1:00.147
- 300m hurdles: Seventh place - Good, 49.649
- 800m run: Ninth place - Schram, 2:25.676
- 200m dash: Second place - A. Ritchie, 23.75
- 4x400 relay: First place - Norling, Hampton, Havercroft, A. Ritchie, 3:41.613

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Summer childcare

Dollars And Sense
By David Uffington

If your financial situation at home has changed, this could be the first summer where both you and a spouse are working. The question now might be what to do with school-age children while you're at work.

While summer camps for kids often are filled early, not all of them are. If you can find one, it's likely to be expensive. Here are some that might be more realistic about their costs:

- **YMCA:** You might even find a summer-long day-camper program where your child will go every day during the week.

- **Local churches:** Call all of them and ask what type of programs they have, and if any of their members watch children over the summer. You could find the perfect situation with an at-home parent who'll take on extra children for a small fee. (Beware any local requirements for daycare status and licensing when there are more than six children.)

- **College students:** If you live near a college, count yourself lucky. Go early to the campus job center and inquire about a summer sitter, perhaps one with an early childhood major. Not all students go home for the summer. Even a mature high-school student might be perfect.

- **Flex Time:** Inquire at work about flex time. Taking off even one afternoon each week can make a difference. Can you telecommute some of the days? Work a condensed

week, with more hours on the days you go to work, giving you a day off? Can your spouse do the same?

- **Service Programs:** Check whether your area has a Summer of Service program for "tweens," children who are too old for a sitter and not old enough to be left alone. They'll spend the summer under supervision doing a variety of volunteer tasks in the community.

Aim for variety week by week. Perhaps grandparents will come visit (and child sit) for two weeks. Alternate between YMCA programs, church programs, recreation department day camps, your vacation days and a hired college student.

If you interview prospective sitters, check their credentials. Passing a safety course should be minimum. Sitter courses are even better. In the case of high-school students still at home, contact the parents and verify what their own vacation plans might be.

The U.S. Census Bureau has issued a report called "Who's Minding the Kids?" To read the statistics about what other parents are doing, go online to www.census.gov and put p70-135 in the search box.

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Women vets get their own hotline

Veterans Post
By Freddy Groves

The Department of Veterans Affairs recently opened a hotline for women veterans, their families and caregivers. The hotline is a welcome addition, if only for one reason: Women veterans aren't as knowledgeable about the benefits, resources and services that are available to them.

According to a news release, women make up 15 percent of active duty and 18 percent of National Guard and Reserve personnel. However, in VA health care, only 6 percent of the patients are women. Since 2000, the number of women using VA health care has doubled, but they can't use services and benefits they don't know about.

Here are just a few areas

where the hotline can help:

- Referrals to homeless and mental-health services
- Disability compensation
- Vet Center information
- Information on VA cemeteries and memorial benefits, claims, education and health-care appointments, including pharmacy
- Home loans
- Employment assistance

The Women Veterans Hotline can be reached at 1-855-829-6636. To reach the Veteran Crisis Line, for urgent needs, call 1-800-273-TALK and Dial 1 for Veterans.

Female veterans also can go online to www.eBenefits.va.gov. Search the College Navigator, read the Compensation and Benefits Handbook, access the Form 10-EZ Application for Medical Benefits, see the benefits fact sheet, access the veterans job

bank and read about federal benefits for veterans, dependents and survivors. Once you're signed up, manage your health care online at TRICARE Online or My HealtheVet.

Consider this column a Clip 'n' Save: Hand it off to a female veteran who can use it, perhaps just before this summer's Stand Down in your area. Stand Downs are a great place for all veterans to connect with benefits and services in a one-stop event.

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Collecting old tools

By Larry Cox

Q: I have a garage of old tools that belonged to my granddad. Some are even to repair Model T automobiles. I have been told that vintage tools are collectible. -- Steve, West Pueblo, Colo.

A: One of the better references is the "Antique Trader Tools Price Guide" by Clarence Blanchard and published by Krause. Some of the values listed are a handsaw manufactured by Henry Disston & Sons, \$1,210; a plow plane from 1884, \$14,300; a plumb and level with wooden arch and lead plumb bob, \$440; early hatchet, \$50; miniature brace, Dutch origin, \$120; and a box of letter stamps, set of 27, A to Z plus &, \$33.

As you can clearly see, tool chests have become treasure chests, especially if they are filled with older, desirable tools. A good source to buy and sell older tools is Brown Auction Services, 27 Fickett Road, Pownal ME 04069.

Q: I have a partial set of Sakura china in the Laredo pattern. Although I originally had a complete service for 12, I have managed to break several plates, cups and saucers during the past 20 or so years. I really like this pattern and would like to replace my missing pieces. Can you help me? - Terry, Bluffton, S.C.

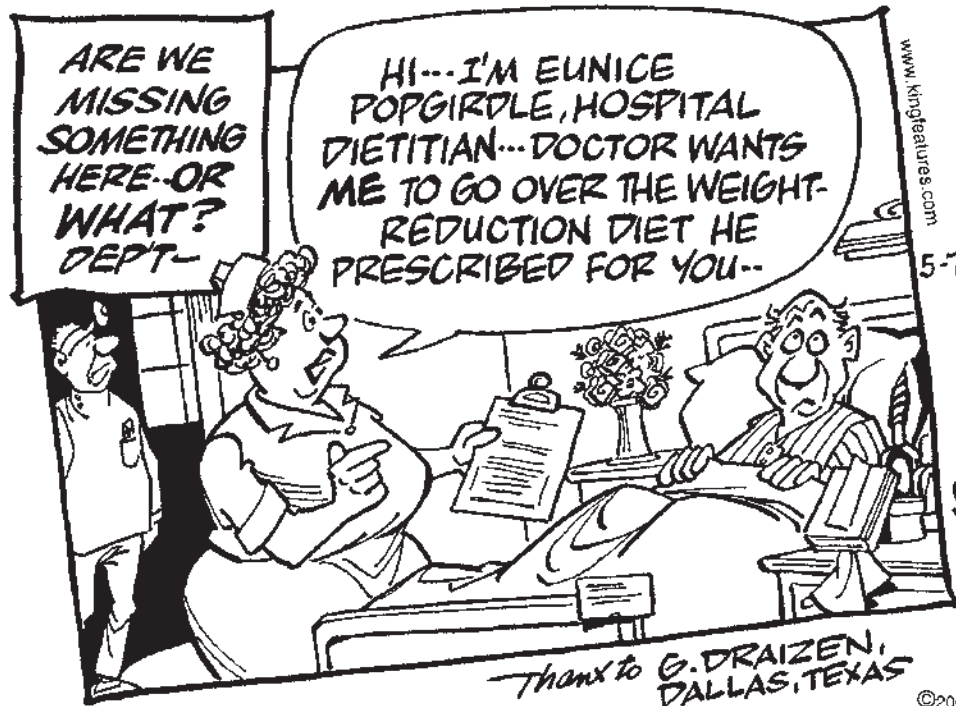
A: Your pattern was discontinued during the late 1990s. Replacements, Inc. is the go-to

source for missing pieces of sterling flatware, china and crystal. I checked the company's website and found several pieces, including a cup and saucer for \$9.99; a 9-inch vegetable bowl, \$79.95; and a dinner plate, \$23.99. The toll-free number is 800-737-5223.

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THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME



TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. ANIMAL KINGDOM:** By what other name are a cat's whiskers known?
- 2. ANCIENT WORLD:** Where is the Acropolis?
- 3. HISTORY:** Who was the commanding Union general at the Battle of Gettysburg?
- 4. MEDICINE:** What is scoliosis?
- 5. GEOGRAPHY:** What two countries share Niagara Falls?
- 6. MOVIES:** What was the name of Gary Cooper's character in "High Noon"?
- 7. ENTERTAINMENT:** What kind of horse was Trigger, Roy Roger's trusty steed?
- 8. SCIENCE:** What metal is liquid at room temperature?
- 9. ANATOMY:** Where is the medulla oblongata located?
- 10. LITERATURE:** Who created the "Tom Swift" series of novels?

Answers: 1. Vibrissae, or "tactile hairs"; 2. Athens; 3. George Meade; 4. Curvature of the spine; 5. U.S. and Canada; 6. Will Kane; 7. Palomino; 8. Mercury; 9. Lower part of the brain stem; 10. Edward Stratemeyer. (c) 2013 King Features Synd., Inc.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE
by Samantha Weaver

• It was ancient Roman dramatist, philosopher and statesman Seneca the Younger who made the following sage observation: "While we are postponing, life speeds by."

• You might be surprised at some of the seemingly innocuous things that arouse passions in a group of people. Take the venerable 1960s television show "Mr. Ed," for example. Evidently, an evangelist named Jim Brown took issue with the show's theme song, claiming that when played backward, the tune contains the message "the source is Satan" and "someone sang this song for Satan." His preaching on the subject was so persuasive that members of a church in Ironton, Ohio, made a bonfire of recordings of the song.

• If you're planning to visit the Hawaiian island of Kauai, you might want to trek up to Mount Waialeale. If you do, though, be sure to take an umbrella, as that mountain holds the distinction of receiving more rainfall than any other place on Earth, with an average of about 40 feet -- yes, feet -- of rain annually.

• A recent national survey of adult children with living parents found that a whopping 70 percent of respondents are against the idea of a parent moving in with them. If it became necessary for one parent to move in, though, two-thirds would choose Mom over Dad.

• It was noted wit Ambrose Bierce who, in his "Devil's Dictionary," defined faith as "Belief without evidence in what is told by one who speaks without knowledge, of things without parallel."

• Those who study such things say that an ordinary human being can live four weeks without food, four days without water and four minutes without air.

Thought for the Day: "Most people would sooner die than think; in fact, they do so." -- Bertrand Russell

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MOMENTS IN TIME
The History Channel

• On May 30, 1431, in Normandy, Joan of Arc, the peasant girl who became the savior of France, is burned at the stake for heresy. Her most serious crime, according to the tribunal, was her rejection of church authority in favor of direct inspiration from God. She was 19 years old.

• On May 31, 1889, the South Fork Dam in Johnstown, Pa., collapses, causing a flood that kills more than 2,200 people. It was the largest earthen dam (made of dirt and rock, rather than steel and concrete) in the United States. Reportedly, a baby survived on the floor of a house as it floated 75 miles from Johnstown.

• On May 29, 1914, heavy fog on the St. Lawrence River in Canada causes a collision of boats -- the Empress of Ireland and the Storstad -- that kills 1,073 people. Caused by a horrible series of blunders, it was one of the worst maritime disasters in history.

• On June 2, 1924, with Congress' passage of the Indian Citizenship Act, the government of the United States confers citizenship on all Native Americans born within the territorial limits of the country. Before the Civil War, citizenship often was limited to Native Americans of one-half or less Indian blood.

• On May 27, 1937, San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge opens to the public after five years of construction. On opening day -- "Pedestrian Day" -- some 200,000 walkers crossed the bridge, which spans the Golden Gate Strait at the entrance to San Francisco Bay and connects San Francisco and Marin County.

• On May 28, 1957, National League owners vote unanimously to allow the New York Giants and Brooklyn Dodgers to move to San Francisco and Los Angeles, respectively, at the mid-season owner's meeting in Chicago.

• On June 1, 1980, CNN (Cable News Network), the world's first 24-hour television news network, makes its debut. Today, CNN is seen in more than 89 million American households and more than 160 million homes internationally. In its first years of operation, CNN lost money and was ridiculed as the Chicken Noodle Network.

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by Linda Thistle

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If you are now on active military duty or have been in the prior one year, please contact our office at (248) 502-1400. Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Linda Ruth Mardlin, an unmarried woman, to One Reverse Mortgage, LLC, mortgagee, dated March 24, 2011 and recorded April 6, 2011 in Liber 477, page 1,294 in Alcona County records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Champion Mortgage Company by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred twenty-two thousand five hundred sixty-two and 89/100 dollars (\$122,562.89) including interest at 5.31 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 May 22, 2013. Said premises are located in the township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Land situated in the township of Curtis in the county of Alcona in the state of Michigan; Lot 39,

Shady Lane Subdivision, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 1, page 173, Alcona County records. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: April 24, 2013
Orlans Associates, PC.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
File No. 13-001876
4-24, 5-1, 5-8, 5-15

Case No. 12-2002-CH
Notice of Judicial Foreclosure Sale on a Stipulated Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion for Default Judgment Against Kathleen Franklin and for Summary Disposition Against Edward Franklin and Judgment of Foreclosure
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the terms of a Stipulated Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion for Default Judgment against Kathleen Franklin and for Summary Disposition against Edward Franklin and Judgment of Foreclosure of the Circuit Court for the County of Alcona, State of Michigan signed and filed on March 27, 2013, in the case of First Federal of Northern Michigan, Plaintiff v. Edward E. Franklin and Kathleen S. Franklin, Defendants, Case No. 12-2002-CH, wherein, among other things, the Court allowed the foreclosure of a mortgage granted by Edward E. Franklin and Kathleen S. Franklin (mortgagors) to First Federal of Northern Michigan dated June 28, 2010 and recorded July 22, 2010 in Liber 471, page 1414, Alcona County records, against the mortgagors. Pursuant to the Stipulated Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion for Default Judgment against Kathleen Franklin and for Summary Disposition against Edward Franklin and Judgment of Foreclosure, the Mortgaged Premises described below shall be sold at a public auction by or under the direction of Clerk/Sheriff for the County of Alcona to the highest bidder at the main entrance to the Alcona County Building, 106 5th Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 on Wednesday, June 26, 2013 at 10 a.m., local time. The mortgaged premises are legally described as: Situated in Harrisville Township, Alcona County, state of Michigan Part of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 7, T26N, R9E, described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 7, T26N, R9E; thence east 33 feet to the East right of way of Barlow Road; thence South 450 feet along the East right of way of Barlow Road to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 80 feet; thence East 150 feet; thence North 80 feet; thence West 150 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right of way purposes. Also - Part of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 7, T26N, R9E, described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 7, T26N, R9E; thence East 33 feet to the East right of way of Barlow Road; thence South 530 feet to the point of beginning; thence East 200 feet; thence South 100 feet; thence West 200 feet; thence North 100 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for road right of way purposes. The mortgaged premises, the address of which is 330 N. Barlow Road, Harrisville, Michigan 48740, also include all right, title and interests held by Edward E. Franklin and Kathleen S. Franklin as of June 28, 2010 in the mortgaged premises. The premises may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the date of sale.
Bodman PLC
By: Sandra L. Jasinski (P37430)
Attorneys for First Federal of Northern Michigan
229 Court Street, P.O. Box 405
Cheboygan, Michigan 49721
(231) 627-8000
Date: May 8, 2013
5-8, 5-15, 5-22, 5-29, 6-5, 6-12, 6-19

Robert D. Schmitt
1105 LeLand Street
Flint, MI 48507
To: Robert D. Schmitt
It is ordered:
1. You are being sued in this court by the plaintiff to seek possession after land contract forfeiture. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before June 10, 2013. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.
2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in Alcona County Review for three (3) consecutive weeks.
Date: April 29, 2013
Judge Laura A. Frawley P39644
5-8, 5-15, 5-22

VILLAGE OF LINCOLN MINUTES

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, May 6 at 7 p.m. at the village hall. The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance" and roll call was taken. Those present included president Jordan, treasurer Kossa, clerk Somers and council members Gauthier, Healy, Naylor, Phillips, Somers and Stutzman. Also present were attorney Cook and guests. The minutes of the April meeting were approved on a motion from Gauthier, with support from Stutzman. Treasurer Mary Kossa has been hospitalized recently and was welcomed back by President Jordan and council members. The treasurer's report was approved, subject to audit, on a motion from Gauthier, with support from Somers. Fire chief Leroy Hall stated that it has been a very busy month. A water shuttle training class was held over the weekend and several other area departments joined local fire fighters. Fourteen of our fire fighters recently completed refresher CPR courses. Phillips questioned whether there have been any recently invoiced runs that we could look at. None are currently available. Teresa Hart and Naomi Potter stated that they have received a quote for fiberfill for the playground. The total funding needed is \$6,161 which will pay for mats under the swings and six inches of fiberfill. Teresa stated that she believes much of the work can be done with work bees and volunteers. They hope to raise more funds next year to pay for an additional six inches of fiberfill. Richard Somers gave his street and sewer reports. He stated that currently the sewer system is working very well. He will be getting with Goodrich regarding the street project on Alger Street. The bid will need to be placed in the local paper before proceeding. He will also be working on sidewalk repairs in several areas. He stated that 10 septic tanks were pumped today as part of our yearly rotation of cleaning. In old business, Phillips stated that he has worked with Somers on putting identification markers on all the sewer tanks served by the village sewer system. He said he is enjoying learning village business and how things are run. Gauthier stated that she will be in contact with Josh Pagels regarding the grant funding for the ball field fencing. Stutzman thanked the Lincoln Lions for help in fixing the picnic tables. President Jordan stated that he is concerned about some of the kids hanging out at the playground and the damage they are causing. Attorney Cook said if they are doing anything inappropriate they should be asked to leave and the sheriff's department needs to be called if the bad behaviors continue. Gauthier asked about the status of curbs

that were damaged during the winter snow removal. President Jordan said they will be fixed at the same time as the sidewalks. A lawn and yard cleanup will be held on Wednesday, May 22. Residents are asked to bundle sticks no longer than three feet and to have leaves and lawn debris in bags at the curb by 8 a.m. on that date. President Jordan stated he is getting excited to get the playground fixed up to near new condition this year. He said several work bees will be held to paint, seal, spread mulch, et cetera, during the summer months. He asked for help from council members for work along Barlow Road and Traverse Bay. Gauthier offered to help set things up and will contact everyone regarding a date and time. Jordan stated the beautification committee has done a wonderful job removing the lights from the downtown region. There are still some larger trees in the post office island area that need to have lights removed from. He suggested the council members help with that project the same night as the cleanup. A weekly raking of the beach area needs to be done this year. More sand is needed for the beach area. Two new grills are waiting being put in at the play ground area. Our single audit has been completed by Mark Sandula for the streetscape projects. This will move us closer to our goal of closing out the grants. All the flower boxes have been given away and "new owners" have until May 30 to get them filled and decorated or they will be given to someone else. President Jordan showed a picture of a proposed addition of a sign to commemorate the Lincoln Lions and the placement for it along Second Street. He stated that he is putting the finishing touches on it and will report back. Jordan talked about the Brownlee Lake cleanup project and said the pumps are up and running. Porta-potties will be ordered for the beach and boat launch in time for Memorial day. Bathrooms will also be opened at the playground area. He further questioned about reactivating a pole that supplies electricity to the old bathrooms. The fee would be \$250 to get it up and running again. The other solution would be to run power from the new bathroom building over to the old bathrooms. For now, the pole will be reactivated until we get estimates and can discuss the matter further. The planning commission meeting will be held on May 23 at 6 p.m. A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Gauthier, with support from Healy. Motion carried. A motion to adjourn was made by Gauthier, with support from Stutzman. Motion carried.
Linda K. Somers
Village Clerk

CALEDONIA TWP. MINUTES

The regular Caledonia Township Board meeting on May 8 was called to order by supervisor Ott with pledge to the flag at 7 p.m. Present on the board: Ott, Thornton, Timm, Scott and Hubbard. Also in attendance Nancy Beck, zoning administrator, and five citizens. Motion to approve the agenda. Motion to approve the minutes of April 10. Motion to pay the bills. Motion to place treasurer's report on file. Planning commission: The notice for the public hearing to review zoning ordinances will be published to be held on July 1. Kathy will deliver the draft to clerk by May 15 to make copies for review prior to the hearing. Zoning administrator report: Lots of calls for building permits, the variance request was granted for Mr. Perdue. Motion to sign contract with Alcona County Road Commission to seal coat Roe Road. Cedar Drive will

have ditches cleaned out this year, and possibly graveling for next year. Jack had bids from three flag pole companies, but it was tabled again for another month. A township resident will check on his liability insurance coverage to remove dead fallen trees on Hickey Hill property. Motion to sign contract with C&S Dust Control for 2013, with township paying \$40 per parcel or 50 percent up to 300 feet (\$120). Motion to purchase two wall mount ash trays for outside on hall and two barrels with dome lids for garbage collection at the Northend Park. Motion to advertise for lawn mowing bids. Motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. All motions at the meeting were passed. This synopsis published prior to board approval. Next meeting is June 12. Planning commission meets June 3. Website: Caledoniatwp.-net.
Helen Timm, Clerk

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kept at the Archives of Michigan are available for the public to use for research, but some records are restricted, such as mental health or adoption records that are sealed under law.

The public can access materials from the archives in a couple of different ways.

First, they can visit the Archives of Michigan, located in the Michigan Historical Center, 702 West Kalamazoo, in Lansing, Mich. The archives has a reference room open to the public from 1 to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. The reference room is always manned by two archives staff members, who are available to assist visitors with records requests. Information can be obtained before a visit by calling (517) 373-3559, and pressing 3 to reach the reference room. A call prior to a visit is not necessary, but

archivists can often have the records a visitor wishes to review ready for their arrival if they call in advance.

Researchers of all ages are welcome, and typically include attorneys, academics, graduate students, staff from legislators' offices or state agencies, persons doing genealogy research or younger students. Archivists ask that young students be accompanied by an adult during their time in the reference room.

Anyone who cannot visit the archives and reference room in person, staff can answer questions through e-mail at archives@michigan.gov, generally responding within 24 hours.

Garrett said the archives is looking for volunteers who are available weekday afternoons to come to the reference room to help with indexing records for online use. Anyone who is interested is encouraged to send staff an

e-mail or give them a call.

Some of the more popular records in the archives have been digitized and are available to the public on the website www.seekingmichigan.org, which is a partnership between the Archives of Michigan and the Michigan History Foundation. Seeking Michigan features 1.2 million records, including items such as searchable Michigan census records from 1884-1894, death records from 1897 to 1920 and a lot of Civil War material. New digitized records are added as funding allows.

Seeking Michigan also features an online shop called Michiganology that offers products with a tie to the archives, such as T-shirts and prints featuring brewery labels from early Michigan breweries, which were required to register their labels with the state.

The store also sells note

cards featuring old trout stamps, items highlighting the Proud Robin (once a symbol of Michigan Week) and many other items.

There is also a blog maintained by archivists and staff from the Michigan Historical Museum featuring stories from Michigan's past.



Archivist Bob Garrett is shown in "the stacks" at the archives, where historical materials, such as correspondence, legislative records, photographs, naturalization records and other materials are housed. The Archives of Michigan serves as the memory of the state, chronicling Michigan's triumphs and tragedies.

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