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State police sergeant receives statewide recognition

By Cheryl Peterson Editor

A sergeant at the Michigan State Police post in Alpena has been awarded Trooper of the Year for 2013.

Detective Sergeant Jennifer Pintar received the Dr. Carl A. Gerstacker Trooper of the Year Award at a special ceremony in Lansing, Mich. recently.

According to Michigan State Police Director Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue, the Gerstacker Award recognizes the Michigan State Police trooper or sergeant who symbolizes outstanding professional ethics, dedication to duty and a concern for giving back to their community. The late Dr. Carl A. Gerstacker, former chairman of Dow Chemical Company, created the award in 1961.

"Detective Sergeant Pintar's exemplary work performance, leadership skills and extensive community involvement make her an excellent choice for this year's Trooper of the Year Award," Etue said.

"Det. Sergeant Pintar is a very talented investigator and an excellent police officer," said Lt. Mike Hahn, commander of the Alpena post. "To be so well rounded in performing her duties and service to the community is very remarkable. We are very proud of her and are very fortunate to have her serving the Alpena region," Hahn said.

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She has taken a leadership role in multiple work and community-related programs. She is well-known for her efforts in Iosco PRIDE, a program that brings antidrug, alcohol and bullying

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> ~ Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue Michigan State Police Director

According to Etue, Pintar is a 17-year veteran of the department, who is known for her extensive knowledge in law enforcement and her advanced training expertise. She has completed homicide investigation training, Medical Legal Death Investigation

messages to school and community groups. She has received national recognition for her efforts and the program has been ranked first and second in national competitions.

"The Michigan State Police has very high expectations of

School, Basic Detective their employees. To exceed those expectations to the degree that Det. Sgt. Pintar has is exactly what it takes to be the recipient of this honor. Her dedication has made a deep impact on the lives of many at risk youth in northeast Michigan and has increased the likelihood that they will grow up to be successful community minded citizens," Hahn said.

Pintar is appreciative of the recognition. "There are troopers and sergeants throughout our entire ranks that could get this award," she said. "We often get recognized for fighting crime - because that's what we do ... it is nice to be recognized for involvement in our community. That is why PRIDE has been such a positive thing for me... working with young people and hopefully, helping them learn to make good decisions.

"The course of our job can be negative because we are always dealing with problems. The positive part of what we do is being involved in our



Det. Sgt. Jennifer Pintar

community, and being able to, hopefully, prevent crimes from happening. This award brings to light that a lot of police officers give on the job but we also give to our communities." Pintar said.

Pintar enlisted with the department in 1996, graduating as a member of the 114th Trooper Recruit School. Upon graduation, she was

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Dog trainer strengthens bonds, helps community

By Mary Weber Staff Writer

For a local resident building bonds between dogs and their owners is an important part of community involvement, almost as important as the role she and her dog have working to find missing people.

Terri Goldstrom has loved dogs since she was a child. While watching "Rin Tin Tin" and "Lassie," she wanted her own dogs to do all the amazing things her hero dogs did in the movies. She practiced with them daily and as she did, the bond between them strengthened.

Those deep feelings grew into a love of training dogs. No matter where Goldstrom lived, Ohio, Colorado, southern or northern Michigan; she found time to work with dogs. "I've had a long list of different careers, none of them had anything to do with training dogs," said Goldstrom, who lives west of Harrisville and works in the cafeteria at Alcona Elementary School. Goldstrom spent her spare time working closely with dog trainers. She learned to train dogs for obedience, agility, conformation - training show dogs by highlighting their structure and appearance, water rescue and drafting - a skill larger dog's use pulling a cart. She also spent time training therapy dogs for the Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor, Mich. Many of the dogs she has trained have received certification for their working dog aptitude, companion dog and canine good citizen, American temperament tests and



Terri Goldstrom and Echo, her Search and Rescue of Michi-

rabbits, chickens, turkey and Guinea hens. They also have three dogs and a cat.

In addition to the training classes at school, Goldstrom baths and grooms dogs at her farm and trains special needs dogs, which are trained to do specific tasks to help them improve the quality of life for their owner -- such as seizure alert dogs and dogs for people with impaired hearing.

Goldstrom noted not all dogs are cut out to help their owner with special needs and it takes a great deal of time and commitment from the owner to assist in teaching the dogs to think, react and help in the way they are needed.

Realizing her own active pet German shepherd needed additional work other than herding sheep at the farm, Goldstrom became involved with Search and Rescue of Michigan (SAROM). She and her dog, Echo, began training three years ago. Echo, who just turned four, is now a certified SAROM dog. At a moment's notice Goldstrom and Echo could be called to assist in finding a missing person. To keep the dog's skills sharp, she trains with him two or three times a week. Finding a missing person is not an easy task for dog or handler. Echo is given a scent of the missing person through an article of clothing or something the person has touched. While remaining on a 15 foot lead, which Goldstrom holds onto, Echo uses his sharp sense of smell to trail whatever distance

Dog handlers serve across Michigan

By Mary Weber Staff Writer

Search and Rescue of Michigan (SAROM) is a volunteer group of handlers and dogs which provides free assistance in locating missing persons to law enforcement agencies.

Alcona County is home to two SAROM teams, Terri Goldstrom of Harrisville with her four-year-old German shepherd, Echo, and Jim Baker of Mikado with his two- year-old German shepherd, Brutus. Both teams have been called out on searches in the past year.

Intense training for the dog and handler include mandatory monthly sessions in search work, handling, communications, field scouting, incident command, canine and human first aid and cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR), mapping crime scene preservation, record keeping, navigation, global positioning system (GPS), ham radio licensure (given to amateur radio operators tested by the Federal Communication Commission) and attending public events. In addition to monthly sessions, handlers work with their dogs two to three times a week, whenever possible, trailing scents in all kinds of weather conditions and at different times

gan (SAROM) dog, take a short break during a training session. SAROM dogs and their handlers provide free assistance to aurthorities in locating missing people. Photo by Mary Weber.

other working dog titles.

When her husband, Chuck, received a job with Kalitta Air nine years ago, they moved their family to a small farm in Harrisville. At the time Goldstrom's daughter, Natalie, was in the fifth grade.

"They were having a 'What does your parent do?' day in Natalie's class so I took my Doberman, Tootsie, to show how I had trained her. Jan Klein (the school counselor) was so impressed she asked if I could help train her dog. From there it just snowballed and I began teaching obedience and agility in the evenings at the high school,"

Goldstrom said.

Seven years later, Goldstrom has trained over 100 dogs in Alcona County. Classes are held at the school in fall and winter. Spring and summer classes are held in Goldstrom's backyard.

Goldstrom's daughter, who now attends Alpena Community College, assists with training classes. "Natalie has been attending dog training classes all her life. Sometimes she'll run the classes herself while I'm busy at the farm with birthing ewes," Gold-strom said.

The family farm consists of about 100 animals which include sheep, goats, horses,

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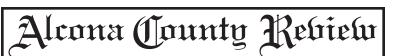


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Obituaries

Anthony A. Agosa

Anthony A. Agosa, 38, of Peshwbestown, Mich. died on Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2014 at home.

He was born April 28, 1975 in Tawas to Wayne A. and Shalda (Pinder) Agosa.

Mr. Agosa loved to fish, hunt and spend time alone in peacefulness.

He was employed at Kal Excavating and loved to build as long as it was outside. He was known for his joking personality and his huge smile. Mr. Agosa is survived by his parents, Wayne (Linda) Agosa of Peshawbestown, Mich. and Shalda (William) Pettit of Harrisville; one son, Anthony J. Agosa; three daughters, Autumn G. Agosa, Skylar R. Agosa and Jordan M. Rahl; three brothers, Ronald (Ruthann) Agosa of Traverse City, Mich., Michael (Kristi) Agosa of Peshawbestown. Mich. and

Marcus Agosa of Peshawbestown, Mich.; one sister Angela Agosa of Harrisville; and many nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held January 6 at Northport Indian Mission Church. Interment will be held in the spring at Omena Hillcrest Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by Martinson Funeral Home, Suttons Bay. Memorials may be made to his children.

Eugene "Bruce" Kellerman

77, of Grand Blanc, Mich. died on Friday, Dec. 6, 2013.

He was born March 15, 1936 to Robert V. and Minnie A. (Stevens) Kellerman in Flint, Mich. where he spent most of his life.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1956 to 1958 where he received a Letter of Commendation for converting engineering supplies from standard stock numbers to a federal cog system which became fleet procedures. He retired from General Motors after 35 years of service.

Mr. Kellerman had a Bachelor of Arts degree in history from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He fell in love with the study of history at a young age. He also did extensive research of his family origins. He belonged to many

Eugene "Bruce" Kellerman, historical societies through-

out his life.

Mr. Kellerman was a "true blue Wolverine" including many years as a sideline photographer at football games. He was a season ticket holder for 44 years missing only five games during that span. He loved all things outdoors including biking, hiking and gardening and was an avid photographer. He loved to tell stories about his outdoor exploits across the entire country.

He was a life-long visitor to Greenbush and had a strong family connection to the community.

Mr. Kellerman is survived by two daughters, Tammy (Tom) Peek of Otisville, Mich and Deborah Elston of Flint, Mich.; one brother, David (Linda) Kellerman of Florida:

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several nieces and nephews; several great-nieces and nephews; and two greatgreat-nephews.

He was preceded in death by one son, Todd N. Kellerman; and two brothers Robert L. Kellerman and Richard A. Kellerman.

Cremation has taken place and a private family celebration of life will be held at a later date at Springport Cemetery, Harrisville. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or Home and Hospice Advantage. Arrangements were handled by Dodds Dumanois Funeral Home.

Recognition

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assigned as a trooper at the East Tawas Post. In 2011, she transferred to the West Branch post and in 2013 she was promoted to detective sergeant and transferred to the Alpena post.

Pintar and her husband, Mark, who is a sergeant at the Michigan State Police post in West Branch, Mich., reside in Tawas City with their two daughters.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

I am joining my voice with Kay Kniep's and others trying to demystify "the face of poverty" which is all too prevalent in our nation.

I am 56, married, with two adult children who are both attending community college. I have a master's degree and hold a certified position in a commonly respected field. I have held a position in my field for over 30 years. I also work a part-time overnight job.

My husband has a college degree and is trained in a respected field. He is 63 and does not yet collect retirement benefits nor is he on disability even though he cannot work. He was diagnosed with cancer three years ago. Though currently cancer free, he still has physical limitations which prevent him from working. He is on Medicaid, my daughters have health insurance through their father's job, and I am uninsured. I qualify for health insurance under the "Obama care" program but do not make enough money to pay the premium, so I have not vet enrolled in a plan.

We live in a house which is owned "free and clear." We do not collect any welfare or other benefits.

We have a car, for which I can usually make the monthly payment (less than \$200.) I have one credit card, which I have not used in over three years, and most of the time I can make the monthly minimum payment.

I should be retiring with a full pension in four years. Instead, I will keep serving in my position, along with working nights until, well...

ing nights until, well... This is the "Face of Poverty" in America in 2014. It is more familiar, and more common than many realize. That's why I had to speak up. We cannot stop fighting this war because our lives depend on it.

> Jan Amaimo Davis Chesapeake, Va.

(Editor's Note: Mrs. Davis is a former resident of Harrisville. She is writing in response to Kathryn Kniep's column on page 8.)

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, raffle ticket sales, or political campaigning information is not eligible.)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

Support group for grandparents and caregivers raising children will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Alcona Elementary School media center, 181 North Barlow Road. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Kristin at (989) 736-8716.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

Sing-a-long with Roseanne

formation, call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-4483.

Exercise indoors, walk or use the treadmill upstairs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

The 4-H Archery group of Alcona will meet from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior, 207 Church Street.

Computers, Wi-Fi and Wii available for use from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

Community Walking Club for everyone, meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

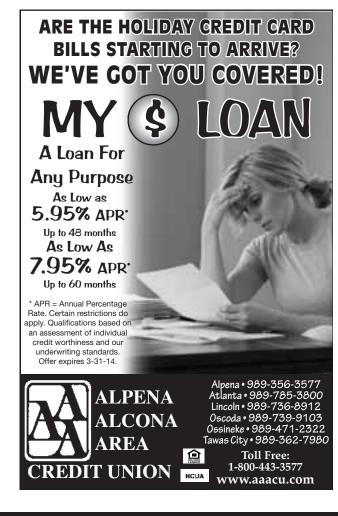
Anyone interested in amateur radio, emergency and public service communications is invited to attend the Alcona County Amateur Radio Group meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the EMS building, 2600 East M-72. Free refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Stan Darmofal at (989) 724-5550 or visit www.alconaradio.org.

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

All interested skiers are invited to attend an informational ski outing on the Corsair trail system in Tawas City. The group will meet at the Silver Valley trailhead at 11 a.m. Participants should dress for the weather, bring their skis, and water. This event is free except for any applicable trail usage fees or donations. For more information contact District Forester Andrew Beebe at (989) 335-1056. Sponsored by the Alcona and Iosco Conservation Districts.

A fun night will be held at 7 p.m. at the Mitchell Township Hall, 6849 Tower Road, Curran. All proceeds go to the March of Dimes.

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at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township hall, 3029 Campbell Street.

The Alcona County Library board will meet at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch, 312 West Main Street.

A chili bar and dessert supper will be held from 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23). Free will offering.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

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 in**FRIDAY, JANUARY 24** 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. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

Food pantry open 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.

VACANCIES OPEN

The City of Harrisville is accepting applications to fill the following vacancies:

Planning Commission-2 needed Tax Review Board-1 needed Letters of interest may be submitted to the City of Harrisville, 200 N. Fifth St., POB 278, Harrisville, MI 48740. The deadlilne for applications is February 21, 2014.





Pettalia Holds Office Hours III

Area residents can meet with state Rep. Peter Pettalia to talk about state government concerns or problems during office hours scheduled for Alpena and Alcona counties on Monday, Jan. 27. He will be at the Alpena Chamber of Commerce Building, 235 W. Chisholm St. in Alpena, from 9 to 10 a.m. and he will be at the Alcona County Building - Commissioners Room, 106 N. 5th Street in Harrisville, from 4 to 5 p.m.

"I encourage people to stop in to share any concerns, ideas or thoughts that can help our region," said Petta-lia, R-Presque Isle. "Office hours differ from town-hall meetings in that people can have a one-to-one meeting to share their thoughts or per-sonal concerns." Those unable to attend office hours may contact Pettalia by addressing letters to the State Capitol, Lansing, Mich. 48909-7514; call toll-free Lansing office number at (877) 737-4106); by fax at (517) 373-8446; by e-mail, peterpet-talia@house.mi.gov; or through his website at RepPeterPettalia.com.

Away at School

Marisa Hirschfelt of Mikado was named to the dean's list for the 2013 fall semester at Lake Superior State University. She is majoring in biology. She is the daughter of Lisa and George Hirschfelt III of Mikado. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Local Notes

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 place by calling (989) 736-8879 by 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

• Monday, Jan. 27—Ham, scalloped potatoes, green bean casserole, orange fluff salad and fruit.

•Tuesday, Jan. 28—Country steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, coleslaw and fruit.

• Wednesday, Jan. 29— Broccoli cheese soup, turkey and cheese sandwich, tossed salad, fruit and pudding.

• Thursday, Jan. 30—Meat and cheese pizza, tossed salad, carrot sticks and dip and fruit.

• Friday, Jan. 31—Chilidog on a bun, Tator tots, broccoli, pickled beets and fruit.

Bluegrass Group On Stage

The Corsair Concert Series presents Feller & Hill and the Bluegrass Buckaroos on Saturday, Jan. 25 at the Tawas United Methodist Church family center on M-55 in Tawas City. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the show begins at 7:30 p.m.

Formed in the tradition of such legendary duos as Flatt and Scruggs and the Osborne Brothers, Tom Feller and Chris Hill are also heavily influenced by classic country greats. (The band name comes from the special fondness they have for the music of Buck Owens.) Feller's lead vocals blend with Hill's tenor and are matched with instrumental work from Glen Inman on bass, Steve Day on fiddle and Mark Poe on guitar. Feller plays mandolin and pedal-steel guitar, and Hill plays banjo, culminating in an exciting, crowd-pleasing show. Admission is \$15 in advance. Tickets are available at Nordic Sports in East Tawas. For more information, call (989) 362-2001 or see http://www.n-sport.com/ FellerHillandtheBluegrass-BuckaroosConcert.html.

ocean-themed films, largely unavailable to the general public. The Thunder Bay Film Festival gets underway the evening of Friday, January 24 with an opening reception and continues all day Saturday and Sunday. Tickets are \$25 for the opening reception and films on Friday; \$10 all day Saturday; \$10 all day Sunday. A full weekend pass is \$40. Call (989) 356-8805, ext. 38, or come into the Sanctuary Store.

Community Conversation

The Alpena Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting, in partnership with the Center for Michigan (a nonprofit, nonpartisan "think-and-do" tank), a Community Conversation about priorities for Michigan in 2014 and beyond. The conversation will be held January 30 from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at the Alpena County Library Conference room, 211 N. First Avenue, Alpena.

This 90 minute discussion of 25-50 (max) people will be used to set an agenda for Michigan in 2014. This conversation is part of more than 150 conversations that will happen around the state between now and April. By the time these conversations are concluded, more than 3,000 people will have participated.

Discussion topics will include: How attendees feel about Michigan today, education, economy and prosperity, quality of life and public money priorities. Those planning to attend must RSVP by calling (989) 354-4181 or e-mailing to: info@alpenachamber.com. To learn more about the Community Conversations and the Center for Michigan, visit www.thecenterformichigan.net.

Fruit Tree Grafting

The Alcona Conservation District and the Harrisville Institute for Cultural Learning will host two fruit tree grafting workshops this spring. The first workshop will be Thursday, April 10 from noon to 4 p.m. The second session will be Saturday, April 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Both will be held at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street, Harrisville.

Grafting is a centuries-old method of plant cloning in which a branch or bud from a parent tree or shrub is placed on the rootstock base or trunk of a similar species. The grafted branch or bud when mature then carries forward the same characteristics, such as fruit variety, as the parent tree. The workshop includes lecture, demonstration and hands-on experience using different grafting and budding techniques. Each participant will graft three dwarf apple trees to keep, and will be given guidance on their post-grafting care. Weather permitting, a field grafting demonstration will be held afterward on the grounds of the Harrisville Institute for Cultural Learning. There, old established apple trees will be "top worked" or



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Marine Film Festival

The Friends of Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary are bringing the world of cinema to Alpena through the Thunder Bay Film Festival in partnership with San Francisco International Ocean Film Festival. The festival will be held from Friday, Jan. 24 through Sunday Jan. 26 at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 West Fletcher, Alpena.

Topics include Great Lakes surfing, marine wildlife, and plastic pollution. Film screenings will be complemented by social events, educational activities, and opportunities to meet filmmakers. Features of the Alpena event include films from the San Francisco International Ocean Film Festival, an acclaimed festival of

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Boys varsity team takes on Hillman, Whittemore-Prescott with split results

By Ron Yokom

Basketball Writer

The Alcona boys varsity basketball team came within a cat's whisker of pushing their season record above .500 for the first time this year.

Instead, they had to settle for a 4-4 record heading into the next week.

The January 13 game against the Hillman Tigers (6-1), was a classic battle with the Alcona Tigers coming up just short, losing 59-57.

Maybe two "Tigers" facing off against each other was the reason for such a war. No one had more than a seven point lead the entire game. The first quarter saw four ties and seven lead changes. Alcona held a slim 19-17 lead after Carson Jamieson hit a jumper to end the first quarter. He accounted for nine of Alcona's points.

Hillman regained the lead to start the second period on a three-point play. Trent LaVergne hit a jump shot to take the lead 21-20. Hillman came back with seven straight points and led 27-21. Jason Steiner hit a three-pointer to bring Alcona to within three points, but they could get no

closer and trailed at halftime 31-28.

The third quarter was another offensive explosion with Alcona out dueling Hillman 18-17 and trailed after three, 49-45. Alcona took a short lead 42-41 on a three-pointer by Jameison and tied the game at 45 on a three by Garrette Norling. But Hillman scored the final four points of the quarter.

LaVergne single handedly brought Alcona back by scoring the team's first 10 points, giving them their biggest lead of the game, 55-52. Alcona still held a three-point lead after a bucket by Dawson Forsythe, but Hillman scored the final five points of the game to give them the win.

LaVergne led Alcona with 25 points with Jameison adding 16, Forsythe six, Steiner seven, and Norling three.

The junior varsity team won a fairly close game, 52-40, to bring their record to 6-12. Hunter Sullivan had 13 points and Isaac Dubuque 12.

On Thursday, Jan. 16 the Tigers welcomed Whittemore-Prescott and won 64-47.

It did not start out that way as the Cardinals led 16-12 after the first quarter. LaVergne hit two shots to start the second quarter and the teams were tied at 16. Two free throws by Brandon Smigelski gave Ålcona the lead, 21-20, which they never relinquished. They led 28-24 heading to the locker room at halftime. LaVergne scored 11 points for the Tigers.

The third quarter saw LaVergne and Jameison hitting nine points each to account for all the Tigers' points and give them a 46-36 lead after three quarters. The final period was more of the same with Alcona outscoring Whittemore 18-11 to take home their fourth win of the year and even their record at 4-4.

LaVergne again led Alcona with 24 points and Jameison close behind with 21. Forsythe added six points, Steiner and Jesse Schram added four each, Brandon Ritchie had three points and Smigelski scored two points.

The JV team won their seventh game by a score of 55-42. Sullivan lead with 18 points and Alec Link added 12.

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Teresa J. Perkins, Township Clerk





Lady Tigers pick up two more wins

By Hope Smith Sportswriter

After what seemed to be an endless winter break, the Alcona girls varsity basketball team finally got back into action when the Lady Tigers hit the road for two games.

On Friday, Jan. 17 they traveled to Whittemore-Prescott for a North Star League contest against the Lady Cardinals.

Although the Lady Tigers have been stifled the past few weeks due to poor weather conditions and winter break they are back on track. The girls are working hard every day to get stronger so they can run full throttle during all four quarters.

In the first quarter, Whittemore struggled under Alcona's defensive pressure which allowed the Lady Tigers to jump out to a 16-2 lead. Alcona's offense did a great job moving the ball up the floor and finding the open players who added to Alcona's 32-6 lead going into halftime.

In the second half, Alcona continued its offensive push outscoring Whittemore 18-10 to end the third period 50-16. Alcona went on to secure the 71-19 win over Whittemore. "We played very good defense tonight. Our team was very focused," said head coach Brad Cole.

Leading scorers for the Lady Tigers were Karina Cole with 27 points, two rebounds, four assists and four steals.

North Star League last fall). This match up proved to be quite a battle as Alcona maintained a decent 17-9 lead at the end of the first quarter. However, in the second quarter Hillman came back strong to narrow Alcona's lead to 28-24 at the halfway mark.

In the third quarter Alcona dominated the boards outscoring Hillman 23-5 to extend their lead to 51-29.

During the final period both teams worked hard but Alcona was able to maintain control of the game earning the 67-44 win over the Hillman tigers. "We played a very good second half against a very good Hillman team. Our team was sluggish to start after being off for so long but we are back to true form," said Cole.

Quick led the team with 20 points. Karina Cole added 16 points, seven rebounds, four assists and four steals. Walen put up six points. Kendra Cole had five points, three rebounds, three assists and two blocks. Cassie Carpenter added five points and rebounds. Manning had four points; Schopfer added four points and had four assists. Pierce scored two points and six rebounds. H. Terpstra put up two points; A. Terpstra had two points and three rebounds; and Maddie Feldhiser had one free throw and grabbed three rebounds.

Alcona's junior varsity team lost 30-36 to Hillman.

Alissa Terpstra delivered nine points and 11 rebounds. Megan Quick added five points and four assists. Sam Schopfer and Lilly Manning put up five points each. Torie Harmon and Turner Somers each added four points. Sydney Pierce contributed four points, five rebounds, three assists and four steals. Kendra Cole added four points, 12 rebounds and two assists. Hannah Terpstra had two points and Nicole Walen added two points and four steals

Alcona's junior varsity team took home a 65-24 win over the Cardinals.

On Tuesday, Jan. 14 it was the battle of the Tigers with Alcona and Hillman squaring up for the first time this season. (Hillman joined the

The Lady Tigers will play host to the Oscoda Owls on Friday. On Monday, Jan. 27 they travel to Fairview. A nonconference makeup game against the Tawas Braves has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 28 in Tawas. All games start with junior varsity at 6 p.m. followed by varsity at 7:30 p.m.

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Doris Mae Emerson (back row, center) of Glennie receives a visit from her great-greatgrandaughter, Chloe Payne, along with her parents Daniel and Paige Payne (front row) of Saginaw, Mich. The baby's grandmother, Melissa Payne of Ashley, Mich., (back row, left) and great-grandmother, Vicki Good of Glennie also joined in the visit. Emerson, 90, has three children; seven grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. Courtesy photo.

Local Notes

Continued from page 4 grafted to other varieties. The cost of the workshop is \$25 per person which includes three dwarf apple root stocks and related grafting supplies. Space is very limited. Only fully-paid reservations will be accepted on a first-come basis. Additional registration details, including the cancellation policy, may be found at www.alconaconservation.org or by contact the Alcona Conservation District, 320 South US-23, Harrisville at (989) 724-5272.

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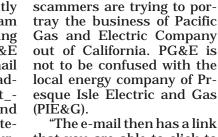
Energy bill is newest scam

The Alpena Post recently took a complaint of a scam regarding a citizen receiving an e-mail about their PG&E Energy statement. The e-mail was sent from an e-mail address of "PG&E"do_not_reply@arlenereps.com and appears as a billing statement advising there are current charges for both electric and gas services. This e-mail was sent at 1:15 a.m. late last week and stated there was a previous balance due on the account. The statement claims the total amount due is \$559.70 which is due by February 1, 2014.

According to Michigan State Police Trooper Ashley Simpson, the company PG&E does not exist in Michigan, but it is believed that

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that you are able to click to view your most recent bill on the account or to create a new account. This link may take you to the PG&E website for the company out of California or it may be a link that opens a virus to steal your personal information from you computer," Simpson said.

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How to pick a financial advisor

Dear Savvy Senior,

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Dear Seeking,

With all the different financial advisers and services available today, choosing a trusted professional that can meet your needs can be a bit confusing.

A good place to start your search is by asking friends or relatives for recommendations. If you don't know anyone who can give you a referral, and you're looking for broad-based financial advice, hire a certified financial planner, or CFP, who are considered the "gold standard" in the industry. To get the CFP credential, they must have a college degree and be educated in a wide range of personal finance subjects, pass

a two-day exam, have at least work.com), which is a netthree years experience, meet continuing-education requirements and abide by a code of ethics.

CFPs are taught to look at the big picture view of your finances, talking you through your goals, as well as advising you on the details of your financial life.

You're also probably better off hiring a CFP that's a fee-only planner, verses one who earns a commission by selling you financial products. Fee-only planners charge only for their services - for example you might pay \$150 to \$300 an hour for a financial tune-up, a flat fee per project or an asset-based fee.

To find a fee-only planner in your area, use the Financial Planning Association (fpanet.org) or the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors (napfa.org), which has online directories. Or try the Garrett Planning Network (garrettplanningnetwork of fee-only advisers.

If your needs are more specific, some other financial professionals to consider are a Registered Investment Adviser (RIA) who is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or a state securities regulator to manage investment portfolios; a Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC), who specialize in insurance and estate planning; and a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), who can help with tax planning.

Be leery of many other financial advising titles, designations and certifications that are out there like the Certified Financial Consultant (CFC) or the Wealth Management Specialist (WMS). Many of these require no more than a few courses at a seminar or online, which means they're not worth much.

You can read more about nearly every certification or designation at www.finra.org/investors -- click on "Tools & Calculators," then on "Understanding Investment Professional Designations.'

After you find a few candidates in your area, call them up and schedule an appointment to meet and interview them. Find out about their experience, expertise and the types of services they provide; how they charge and how much; what is their investment philosophy; and how will they handle your ongoing questions or financial needs. Look for someone whose clients are in situations similar to yours and who's available as often as you need them.

It's also wise to do a background check on your potential advisor. You can look up firms and individuals at finra.org or sec.gov, and even check state financial regulation departments (see nasaa.org for state contact information) and Better Business Bureau records at bbb.org.



Also, ask to see the advisor's ADV Form, part 2. This is a form that the SEC requires advisors to list their education, services, fees, disciplinary actions and conflicts of interest.

At the end of your meeting, ask yourself: Do I like this person? If you have any reservations, move on. There are plenty of qualified advisors out there who can help you.

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Interested candidates should submit cover letter and resume to Human Resources via email: hr@sjhsys.org.



By Kathryn Kniep Columnist

"Every man has a right to a Saturday night bath."

President Lyndon Johnson

I chose this particular quote to begin this column because, more than many others, it illustrates the changing face of the enemy President Johnson declared war on 50 years ago this month - poverty. In January of 1964, when Johnson launched the War on Poverty, the poverty rate was 19 percent of the population and the vast majority of the poor lived without running water or electricity.

In today's America, the poverty rate is 15 percent, which might not seem like a significant improvement given the huge amounts of money invested in Mr. Johnson's war, but the programs that money funded have changed the lives of those in poverty in many positive ways.

One thing that remains true: There are few things about which more enduring myths exist than poverty. In

an effort to dispel some of those myths, many of the facts in this column are based on the most recent statistics available through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Some of my comments are also anecdotal. I enlisted in the War on Poverty at the age of 19, some seven years after it was declared, and spent most of my professional life working with one human services program or another. These included Head Start and Follow Through, the Women. Infant and Children's nutrition program, Homelessness Assistance, Planned Parenthood and numerous others as funding ebbed and flowed.

Back in the day, when Congress was a much more rational entity, a good portion of our time was devoted to trying to familiarize our representatives with what poverty truly represented - an effort we often jokingly referred to as "meet a real life poor person" because frankly, many hadn't. These days, I suspect such an effort would be much more futile. Nonetheless. if the truth will indeed set us free, we have to keep putting it out there.

One of the larger myths about poverty concerns chronic poverty - the concept of the family that lives "on the dole" for generations, taking advantage of the government's largess. It's true that those recipients exist but to a much more limited extent than is believed and generally due to lack of education and the equally chronic inability to dig their way out of their particular life situation. Of those receiving governmental assistance, the largest percentage utilize the program for a period of two to five years.

The concept that the poor are lazy, dependent or unwilling to help themselves is equally untrue. Sixty-five percent of those who receive government assistance are either too young or too old to work or are disabled. The greatest number of people living in poverty are children (33 percent) and women. More than 1.4 million U.S. veterans live in poverty and another 1.4 million are living just above it.

In order to most accurately "see" poverty, it is necessary to throw out federal poverty guidelines - initially based on the cost of three meals per person per day when food was a primary issue and updated, but never revamped to reflect more accurate spending patterns. It is necessary to consider that almost 75 percent of American families are living paycheck to paycheck and that the majority of those are working poor. Most of all, it is necessary to recognize that poverty is not a crime – not something that happens to "bad" people. Admittedly, it is something that sometimes happens to those who make bad choices. But more often, it happens to those whose particular pile of blocks has a flimsy base to begin with and who are un-

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able to maintain its balance in the face of a health crisis, a long-term layoff, a shaky economy or plain bad luck.

A number of issues have affected the working poor over the past 50 years, among them the reduction in low skill jobs through out-sourcing or mechanization, the reduction of full-time positions by companies who wish to avoid paying benefits and most recently, the recession. For many working people, take-home pay less child care and transportation barely covers the cost of feeding their family each week, much less housing and providing health care for them.

And here's the anecdotal part. In my 30-plus years of working with human service programs, I've found that the majority of poor people are, for the most part, just people. People trying hard to care for their kids. People who want to work and want to live their lives in the best way possible. People, interestingly enough, often more willing to help out their friends and neighbors in need than the more well-off among us.

As to the "bad decisions" we hear about - sometimes people take a high interest, high payment "payday loan" because it's the only kind of loan they can obtain and they're facing a crisis that requires cash. Sometimes, people pay for food with their gas card because they're out of money and their kids are out of food. Sometimes they seek more expensive emergency room care because they cannot pay a doctor. Take a look around sometime, and see just how much of our economy is based on preying on the poor and how often they are choosing not the best alternative, but the only one.

So after 50 years and with what, on paper, appears to be a four percent improvement, do we continue to fight this particular war? In my humble opinion, we have to. In a society where the richest 20 percent of working families take home almost half (48 percent) of all income and the bottom 20 percent receive less than five percent, we have a moral obligation to level the playing field - to help those who need to maintain the balance in their particular pile of blocks. If that doesn't move you, and I recognize that for many it does not, consider one more fact. Perhaps the most important lesson I've learned, during my years as a footsoldier in this particular war, is this: In a single, catastrophic instant, the face of poverty could be you. It could be you. (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.)

Board of Education Regular Monthly Meetings 2014 Schedule

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The Oscoda Area Schools, losco and Alcona counties, Michigan, Board of Education will meet in regular session on the second Monday of each month, unless otherwise specified below.

Board minutes are located at the principal office of the Board of Education:

Oscoda Area Schools Board of Education Office 3550 River Road Oscoda, Michigan 48750 (989) 739-2033 Telephone Number (989) 739-2325 Fax Number

Board of Education Meetings will be held at the following location unless otherwise specified below:

> Oscoda Area High School Board of Education Meeting Room 3550 East River Road Oscoda, Michigan 48750

Hour of the meetings:

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Meeting Dates:

Monday, January 13, 2014 (Organizational Mtg.) Monday, February 10, 2014 Monday, March 10, 2014 Monday, April 14, 2014 Monday, May 12, 2014 Monday, June 9, 2014 Monday, July 14, 2014

7 o'clock p.m.

Monday, August 11, 2014 Monday, September 8, 2014 Monday, October 13, 2014 Monday, November 10, 2014 Monday, December 8, 2014 Monday, January 12, 2015 (Organizational Mtg.)

Any changes in the meeting dates, times, and locations shown above, will be announced.

The Board of Education will meet the fourth Monday of each month, as necessary. All special meetings and work sessions of the Board of Education will be announced and publicly posted.

Upon request to the Superintendent, the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a person with disabilities to be able to participate in these meetings. /s/Mark A. Parent, Secretary Board of Education Oscoda Area Schools



Dr. Ben Dietrich of Harrisville Eye Care and his staff visit with students and staff of Alcona Elementary School on December 12. Dietrich screened 188 students for common vision disorders such as nearsightedness, farsightedness, poor eye movement and color deficiencies. Thirty-four percent of those students screened were recommended to have a comprehensive eye exam with an optometrist. According to Dietrich, statistics from the American Optometric Association show 25 percent of children have a vision disorder, but only 14 percent of all children ever receive an eye exam. Many times, children with vision impairments are unaware of their issues as they have never had clear vision and may interpret blurry and distorted vision as normal and never complain. This can lead to many problems such as permanent vision loss, learning disabilities and difficulty in school. "This makes early detection of vision disorders key in a student's ability to do well in school," Dietrich said. Questions concerning children's vision health may call Dietrich at (989) 724-7440. Courtesy photo.

Annual backyard bird count seeks participants

It's been a long, cold, a shared love of birds and a snowy, icy and treacherous winter for residents of northeast Michigan and much of the eastern sector of the country. Birds have been in survival mode and many have depended on humans to fill staple needs at backyard feeding stations.

"During our yearly Christmas bird count (CBC), we noticed fewer folks feeding," said Oscoda birder Peggy Ridgway, who has participated in every local CBC since 1975. "It's been a very tough winter for resident birds. With many food sources covered in snow or ice, feathered friends have had to search for available food. This commitment to protecting them."

This year's GBBC will be held February14-17. The event is headed by Cornell Lab of Ornithology, Audubon, and Bird Studies Canada. "The word backyard may be misleading for some," said Ridgway, area ambassador for the event. "People may count one or all four days in their yards, favorite nature area, along river corridors, or even while driving along in their cars." Daily tallies are reported online to the headquarters at Cornell at birdcount.org.

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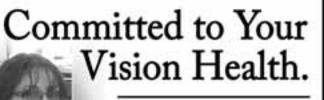
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the case appears to be throughout this eastern third of the country,"she said.

Likewise, visitation to backyard feeding areas has been as sporadic as the weather. Avian researchers are particularly interested to see how bird health, distributions and populations have been affected by the unusual weather conditions across the country this season.

In 2013 the Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) went world-wide for the first time. Online reports from all over the globe accounted for at least one third of the total number of bird species on the planet. According to Audubon chief scientist, Gary Langham, "Technology has made it possible for people everywhere to unite around

have had strong participa-tion in the GBBC and given researchers good insight to our bird populations and status prior to the spring migration.

To assist residents who would like to join in or learn more about the GBBC, AuSable Valley Audubon will hold a public information session on Saturday, Feb. 1, at 10 q.m. at the Robert J. Parks public library at 6010 Skeel Ave. in Oscoda. "By holding this educational session on a Saturday, we hope to encourage families to participate in this wintertime fun outdoor/online event. Kids of all ages may join in," Ridgway said.

For more information, contact Peggy Ridgway at (989) 739-5674 evenings or visit birdcount.org.



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All resumes must be turned in by February 28, 2014 Resumes can be mailed to Jan Hoornstra - Millen Township Clerk at 3021 Fowler Rd., Glennie, MI 48737 or sent via email to jantownship@yahoo.com

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necessary to locate the lost person. "It's an important and very intense job but it's something Echo and I can do together for the community, Goldstrom said.

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The many years of training experience has also sharpened Goldstrom's senses. She almost instinctively knows what a dog is going to do before they do it. Goldstrom said, "Teaching dogs is not like teaching a human. They are dogs, not humans, and not all dogs are trainable. I just never want to see a dog get abused or be left outside. A trained dog is much closer to their owner and more apt to be brought inside the owner's home and treated well. People miss out a lot when their dogs are left outside and the animals suffer."

days. There are no walk-ins allowed, instead Goldstrom likes to talk to owners first and possibly assess the dog's ability and temperament prior to attending class. She also likes to keep her fee affordable so as many people can take advantage of training as possible. For more information, call Goldstrom at (989) 736-8695.

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Training classes for begin-

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of day and night to prepare for a call.

To be mission ready, it typically takes a team one and half to two years of training. Dog and handler go through three levels of testing to pass SAROM certification. Testing is done quarterly. Echo has passed all three levels of testing; Brutus is still working on full certification.

Dogs accepted into SAROM do not have to be shepherds. They take a wide variety of pure and mix breed dogs. The dogs should be at least medium size or larger without any aggressive tendencies. It is preferable to start the program with a puppy, but SAROM will accept applicants into the program with dogs up to three and a half years old.

Unlike working police canines, SAROM dogs are family pets and live inside their handler's home. Often they serve other functions such as therapy dogs or 4-H projects.

SAROM teams are dispatched into action at the request of law enforcement only. The teams must be willing and ready to go into action at a moment's notice and work in a variety of environments. Dogs are instructed to find a scent, either from an article of clothing the lost person has worn



Search and Rescue of Michigan (SAROM) team member Jim Baker, with his dog-in-training, Brutus. Using the scent of an article of clothing of a missing person, Brutus trails the scent in 17 mile per hour winds on a cold fall day. Winter has hampered training missions due to the amount of snow and it is too easy for the dogs to follow footprints instead of scent trails. Photos by Mary Weber.

or something they have touched, such as a door knob.

To trail the scent, dogs are placed on a long lead, 15 to 20 feet in length. Their handler holds the lead and follows behind the dog until the lost person is found. Dogs can follow a scent for many miles in winds up to 35 miles per hour. Dogs are reward driven, after their "find" handlers will reward them with a



ball for a game of fetch, favorite toy or a treat.

SAROM teams pay a one time initiation fee of \$30 and go through an application process. Dogs must pass a temperament test and owners must pass a background check before being accepted into the program. Volunteers must also pay for travel expenses, equipment including leads, jackets and shirts and maintain their dog in good health.

SAROM does cover some costs of testing. It also provides a mobile command center with warming station, restroom and ham radio which is typically sent out on calls from where it is housed in West Branch, Mich. The group is funded by personal donations as well as grants.

Belonging to SAROM gives Goldstrom an opportunity to bond with her dog and work with others who are committed to providing this service. "Knowing we may be able to bring someone home gives us a lot of purpose and worth. It makes you feel good and it's fun exercise with your dog. The dogs benefit a lot. They have to think and it allows them to do something they naturally inherited from the wolf to do -- follow their nose. The hope is always to find a live person, but even if the person has died while being lost, finding them provides closure to their family. That's an important job,' Goldstrom said. For more information or to send a donation, contact Search and Rescue of Michigan, P.O. Box 333, Mio, Mich., 48647 or visit the website at saromdogs.com.

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www.northeasternwindowdoor.com 345 N. US-23 (1 mile N. of M-72) • Harrisville • 989-724-6393 Jim Baker and Brutus, who receives a treat from trainer and SAROM team member Terri Goldstrom after he was able to make a successful find during a training mission.

The S Songbirds in winter Missing your wild feathered Farden friends? If you make soft, repeated "psh-psh-psh" sounds while standing near trees, this is bird parlance for "a predator is near." Even in winter, some birds may still pop by to investigate, and make a few short "call notes" of their own to help warn of danger. Your best ally in this trick is the black-capped chickadee, often the first to respond (they are known to vary the rate or urgency of their calls to convey the distance or immediacy of the threat). Source: northernwoodlands.org

- Brenda Weaver

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Alcona High School's winter sports teams



Boys Varsity Basketball Team

(Front row, from left) Assistant Coach Jacob Schwartz, Jason Steiner, Nick Lamantia, Brandon Smigelski, Garrette Norling, Head Coach Jason Somers, (middle row) Assistant Coach Ed LaVergne, Jesse Schram, Dustin Yokom, Chase Matthews, (back row) Dawson Forsythe, Carson Jamieson, Trenton LaVergne and Brandon Ritchie.

Boys JV Basketball Team

(Front row, from left) Head Coach Steve Yokom, Isaac Dubuque, Zach Ayers, Michael Miller, Hunter Sullivan, Jared Sager, (middle row) Mitchell Krisan, Mitchel Havercroft, Nathan Swinson, Jeff Schram, (back row) Alec Link, Tristan Gordy and Jesse Collins. Not pictured: Assistant coaches Cori Upper and Braden Yokom and managers Lauren Yokom and Devon Mills.





Bowling Team

(Front row) Ben Galyon, (middle row, from left) Brett Wambold, Leigh Gibson, Travis Pawloski, Steve Rizzotto, (back row) Coach Ron Ellsworth, Nathan Fettes, Schuyler Bates and Coach Frank Belloli. Not pictured: Cory Hoffman, Trevor Joslin, Alec Neumann and Trevor Schrader.

Photos by Mary Weber.





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Go get'em Tigers... Good luck!



Girls Varsity Basketball Team

(Front row, from left) Student Assistant Coach Walker Kelly, Syndey Pierce, Karina Cole, Nikki Walen, Manager Taylor Livingston, (middle row) Assistant Coach Mark Feldhiser, Sam Schopfer, Maddie Feldhiser, Megan Quick, Turner Somers, Alissa Terpstra, Head Coach Brad Cole, (back row) Kendra Cole, Cassie Carpenter, Hannah Terpstra and Torie Harmon. Not pictured: Lilly Manning and Assistant Coach Alex Cole.



Go Tigers!

Alcona County Review photos by Mary Weber



Cheerleaders

(Front row, from left) Sabrina Hayes, Trisha Deornellas, (middle row) Sammi Bosley, Alexys O'Neal, Victoria Burns, (back row) Coach Rajeana Schram, Mykala Basner, Jewel Beveridge, and Samantha Charpie.



Girls JV Basketball Team (Front row, from left) Manager Faith Wallenmaier, Jordan Joyce, Kendra LaFave, Manager Abby Franklin, (second row) Keilee Elmer, Rachel Warner, Sierra Forsythe, Brooke Shultz, (third row) Sam Schott, Coach Kristi Arnold, Maddie Lane, (back row) Brittany Decker, Claire Feldhiser and Jessica Grove.



On Saturday, Dec. 14, 2013, Alcona Lodge No. 292, F&AM, held its Installation of officers for 2014. The officers are: (Front row, from left) Jerome Brown, steward; Mark Lewis, PM treasurer; Charles Stern, PM chaplain; David Redman, Senior deacon; Christopher Justus, marshal; (back row) Greg Laskowski, junior deacon; Kevin Friddle, junior warden; Eric Wagner, senior warden; Norm Buckler, master; Mike Kerr, PM secretary; Bennett Planck tiler. Not pictured: David Bastion, steward; Freddie Hepting, steward; Bill Brown, steward; and Robert Merkel, PM musician. Courtesy photo.



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Finding panfish through the ice

Anglers who have been attempting to target panfish during ice fishing trips this winter but aren't having much luck, may want to consider the following things: Are the panfish sticking to shallow or deep depths? Are they hanging out in the weeds or on the rocks? Are they suspended or are they hugging the bottom?

Due to the weather much of the state has experienced recently, panfish are likely to be in deeper water to find more oxygen. Keep that in mind when you look for them. Also, keep presentation efforts in mind. A popular effort includes putting a jig on the bottom and using a twitch-pause-twitch routine with it.

For more information on winter fishing in Michigan, visitwww.michigan.gov/fishing. (This tip was adapted from Michigan Outdoor News.)

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• AuSable River: Even with the drastic change in weather, anglers will be able to access the river at most of the access sites. The launch on Rea Road is open but iced up after the thaw and refreeze. A limited number of vehicles can park there but anglers will need four-wheel drive to launch from there.

Foote Dam is still open for vehicles although the snow was still pretty deep in some areas. Most of the fishing platform was accessible and some trails were broken along the edge of the river.

High Banks has open parking but watch the stairs as they are very icy. A two track was broken to the Boy Scout Camp but the hard snow makes it difficult to get to. The Whirlpool is open but the access road and the launch were very icy. Steelhead are in the river. Check out the deeper holes along the bends.

• Higgins Lake: Had water on the ice but it is going down. Lake trout are being caught in 100 feet of water by those jigging Swedish Pimples or using tip-ups just off the bottom.

A few pike were taken in 30 feet off Sam-O-Set which is off the southern part of the north end. Perch were caught off Big Creek in 40 feet. Try minnows or wax worms. Pike were also caught by those jigging a spoon that resembles smelt. Rainbow trout could be found in shallow water near the Conference Center and Big Creek. Anglers are setting up for smelt as they begin to move their shanties off the west launch. Houghton Lake: Has good ice covered with slush. Pike and perch have been caught along the weed beds. Fair to good walleye action reported in the East Bay. • Tawas: Snow and slush is making for difficult travel

on the bay. They're getting some small perch in 15 feet and walleye in 20 feet off Jerry's Marina. Those not able to get out on the bay have also caught perch and walleye inside the State Harbor.

• AuGres: Anglers have caught some walleye three to four miles off Santiago Road in 20 feet of water. Some are heading south and going off the end of Hale Road.

• AuGres River: Is mainly producing sub-legal walleye with a few keepers.

(This report has been provided by the DNR Fisheries Division; (517) 284-5830; located in Constitution Hall, 525 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, Mich. 48933.)

Angler Update:The 2014 lake sturgeon fishing and spearing season on Black Lake (Cheboygan County) will begin at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 1. All anglers must register to participate in the lake sturgeon season.

The 2014 total harvest limit for Michigan is five lake sturgeon. To reduce the chance of exceeding the harvest limit, officials will close the season when one of two scenarios occurs:

1.) Once the fifth fish has been harvested. or

2.) Once four fish have been harvested at the end of any fishing day.

Fishing hours are 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day of the sea-

son. The season will either end at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 5, or when one of the above scenarios is met, at which point anglers will be notified on the ice by DNR personnel that they must immediately stop fishing for lake sturgeon.

Anglers 17 years of age or older must possess a valid all-species fishing license. In addition, all anglers must possess a lake sturgeon tag, available for free from all license vendors. Anglers must have both of these prior to registering for the Black Lake sturgeon season.

Anglers unable to participate in the Friday registration may register only at the registration trailer at Zolner



Road ending on Black Lake. Morning registration begins at 7 a.m. each day of the season. Anglers are highly encouraged to register on Friday, Jan. 31.

For more details, anglers may call the DNR Gaylord **Operations Service Center at** (989) 732-3541 or visit www.michigan.gov/fishing.



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Calendar of Events

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A concert featuring Feller & Hill and the Bluegrass Buckaroos will be held at the Tawas United Methodist Church family center, 20 East M-55, Tawas City at 7:30 p.m., doors open at 7 p.m. Admission is \$15. For more information, call (989) 362-2001. This event is a part of the 22nd annual Corsair Concert Series.

A free discussion and workshop entitled "Have you had a spiritual experience?" will be held from 2 to 3 p.m. at the Alpena, Montmorency, Alcona Educational Center

located at 2118 South US-23, Alpena. A free book or CD with special techniques will be provided. For more information, call (989) 808-6381.

My Brother's Hope will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). For more information, call Susan Armstrong at (989) 724-6365.

MONDAY, JANUARY 27 The Alcona County Republican Party will meet at 7 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

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Learn how to get the weight off and keep it off by exchanging bad habits for good ones at 3 p.m. at the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street, Harrisville. Attendance is free. For more information, call Valerie Keller (989) 739-3765.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28 Sing-a-long with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

WEDNESDAY, **JANUARY 29**

Support group for grandparents and caregivers rais-

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ing children will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Alcona Elementary School media center, 181 North Barlow Road. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Kristin at (989) 736-8716.

Needle crafters are making hats, scarves and more at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Bring necessary supplies. Items made will be donated to local organizations for distribution.

Alcona woodcarvers will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the

Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

Sing-a-long with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Township hall, 3029 Campbell Street.

The GM Sunrise Side Salaried retirees will hold their regular monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. at Sanctuary Inn, 1000 US-23 North, Alpena. The guest speaker will be Theresa Hoag from Gordon Food Service. Reservations and payment in advance. Contact Chuck Griffin at (989) 727-3350, Frank Baranski at (989) 595-2789 or Don Cantleberry at (989) 354-5504, for more information.

THURSDAY, **JANUARY 30**

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, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-4483.

The 4-H Archery group of Alcona will meet from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior, 207 Church Street.

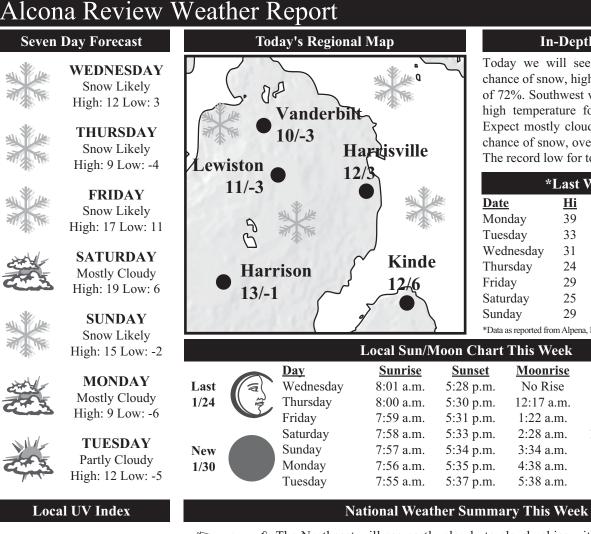
Community Walking Club for everyone, meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

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

My Brother's Hope Potluck Café-Take 2 will serve a free meal and offer free haircuts from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 East F-30, Mikado. For more information, call Susan Armstrong at (989) 724-6365.



The Northeast will see partly cloudy to cloudy skies with a few snow showers today

and Thursday, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Friday, with the highest temperature of 32° in Baltimore, Md. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 69° in Miami, Fla. The Northwest will see scattered rain and snow today, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday, with the



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Jan. 22, 2014

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see cloudy skies with an 80% chance of snow, high temperature of 12°, humidity of 72%. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 45° set in 1989. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an 80% chance of snow, overnight low of 3°. Light winds. The record low for tonight is -16° set in 1976.

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highest temperature of 55° in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 80° in Chino, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

<u>Rise</u> <u>Set</u> Mercury 8:54 a.m. 6:44 p.m. Venus 6:31 a.m. 4:26 p.m. 12:04 a.m. 11:25 a.m. Mars 3:40 p.m. 7:07 a.m. Jupiter 2:51 a.m. 12:43 p.m. Saturn Uranus 10:45 a.m. 11:13 p.m.

Weather History

Jan. 22, 1989 - Low pressure brought heavy rain and gale force winds to Florida. Daytona Beach, Fla. was drenched with 5.48 inches of rain in 24 hours to establish a January record for that location. Winds at Titusville, Fla. reached 63 mph.

Weather Trivia

What time does the low temperature for the day usually occur?

Answer: Just after sunrise.

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Dipper on the Rise

Everyday the Earth changes its orbital position by about one degree, so that during the course of a year, our planet completes one revolution around the sun. This counterclockwise motion of the Earth also causes the stars and constellations to inch forward by one degree per day, rising four minutes earlier every evening. Although winter is upon us, the sky is already beginning to hint of spring and warmer days ahead. That indicator to me has always been represented by the seven luminaries that comprise the Big Dipper, the core stars of the constellation of the Great Bear, Ursa Major. The Dipper is an asterism, not an official star pattern recognized by professional astronomers. Its origins may date to the antebellum South's Drinking Gourd which could have been used by slaves trying to escape northward along the banks of Alabama's Tombigbee River. From mid-autumn to early winter, the Dipper resides low and mostly invisible to us as it scrapes the barren landscapes of the northern horizon; but as the New Year dawns, Earth's journey around the sun causes the Dipper to turn slowly upward, ascending into the northeastern heavens, its two pointer stars, Dubhe and Merak, leading the way for the other five luminaries to follow. By 6:30 p.m. this week, Dubhe may be the only star of the Dipper visible, about 20 degrees off the NE horizon. An hour later, the two pointer stars should be fully observable, and by 8:30 p.m., the cup will have come into view. Add two more hours to your watch, and the entire Dipper should be clear of all obstacles. As January blends into February, and then melts into March, the Dipper will continue to gain altitude; eventually, the arc of its handle sweeping low to the eastern horizon to reveal ruddy Arcturus and blue white Spica. That's a 1-2 a.m. scene right now, but by mid-March the orbiting Earth will bring the same panorama into view by 9-10 p.m., announcing the arrival of spring. www.astronomy.org

SATURDAY, **FEBRUARY 1**

Guitar Summit 2014 concert will be held at the APlex, 701 Woodward Avenue. Alpena. Doors will open at 6 p.m., program begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets price is \$10 for adults, admission is free for students with identification. For more information, call (989) 356-6678. This event is sponsored by the Thunder Bay Arts Council.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Commodities will be distributed from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For more information, call (989) 736-8879.

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TRIVIA TEST ~ By Fifi Rodriguez

1. HISTORY: What was the name of the treaty that ended the American **Revolutionary War?**

2. TELEVISION: What was the name of the prison in "Hogan's Heroes"?

3. THEATER: Which U.S. president was featured in the musical "Annie"?

4. AD SLOGANS: Which car company is part of the advertising slogan "Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie and ..."?

5. ENTERTAINMENT: When did the Miss America pageant begin?

6. GEOGRAPHY: What was the former name of the African nation Burkina Faso?

7. LITERATURE: What was the name of the monster in "Beowulf"?

8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What are the names of the stone lions at the entrance of the New York Public Library?

9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What type of creature belongs to the order Siphonaptera?

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MOMENTS IN TIME The History Channel

• On Feb. 3, 1959, rock stars Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson are killed when their chartered plane crashes in Iowa a few minutes after takeoff. Holly and his band, the Crickets, had just scored a No. 1 hit with "That'll Be the Day."

• On Feb. 4, 1789, George Washington, the commander of the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War, is unanimously elected the first president of the United States. John Adams of Massachusetts was elected vice president.

• On Feb. 5, 1934, Henry Louis Aaron Jr., the baseball slugger who broke Babe Ruth's legendary record of 714 homers, is born in Mobile, Ala. Aaron began his professional baseball career in 1952 in the Negro League and joined the Milwaukee Braves of the major leagues in 1954.

• On Feb. 6, 1820, the first organized immigration of freed slaves to Africa from the United States departs New York harbor on a journey to Freetown, Sierra Leone, in West Africa. The expedition was partially funded by the U.S. Congress, which had appropriated \$100,000 for the trip.

• On Feb. 7, 1964, Pan Am Yankee Clipper flight 101 from London Heathrow lands at New York's Kennedy Airport -- and "Beatlemania" arrives. It was the first visit to the United States by the Beatles. The British rock-and-roll quartet had just scored its first No. 1 U.S. hit with "I Want to Hold Your Hand.'

• On Feb. 8, 1985, Sir William Lyons, founder of the British luxury automaker Jaguar, dies at the age of 84 in Warwickshire, England. Initially named SS Cars Ltd., the company changed its name to Jaguar Cars Ltd to avoid any association with the Schutzstaffel, the Nazi paramilitary group also referred to by the initials "SS."

• On Feb. 9, 1992, after stunning the world three months earlier with the news he had contracted the HIV virus and was immediately retiring from the game, basketball great Magic Johnson returns to play in the 42nd NBA All-Star game in Orlando, Fla. The crowd greeted him with a standing ovation.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE By Samantha Weaver

• It was noted Irish author and wit Oscar Wilde who made the following sage observation: "There are only two tragedies in life: one is not getting what one wants, and the other is getting it."

• The very first CD of a musical recording was made in 1982. The album was "The Visitors" by Swedish pop superstars ABBA.

• Immigrants arriving at New York's Ellis Island in the early years (1892-1920s) were given bananas to eat. Many had never seen a banana and didn't know how to eat one -- some ate the whole thing, peel and all.

 In the small African nation of Swaziland, the Civil Aviation Authority has set a ceiling of 500 feet on light aircraft. These aircraft, as well as kites and remote controlled toys, are not allowed to go above that limit. Also included in the category of light aircraft are broomsticks. Any witch who flies on a broomstick above that limit is subject to a fine of more than \$50,000 and possible arrest.

 If you're thinking about moving to another country, you might want to consider Finland. In that country, employees are offered, on average, 44 paid vacation days every year. Of course, you might want to consider that even in the warm southwestern part of the country, winters last about 100 days, with snow covering the ground from mid-October to early May.

• The name of the state of Iowa (unsurprisingly) comes from a Native American language. The original word, 'ayuxba," means "sleepy ones."

• Early science-fiction author E.E. "Doc" Smith wasn't just a writer; he also was an engineer. He's the guy who figured out how to get powdered sugar to stick to doughnuts. ***

Thought for the Day: "To be capable of embarrassment is the beginning of moral consciousness. Honor grows from qualms." --John Leonard

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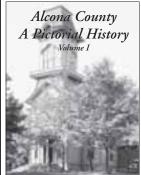
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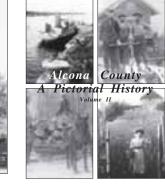
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HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP **MINUTES**

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held January 14 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and three guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." County commissioner Bill Thompson gave a review of county level happenings. Clerk's minutes approved as read. Treasurer read the clerk's reconciliation report. Jamieson/Johnson: By Resolution No. 11414 to accept the Harrisville Township Planning Commission's recommendation to amend the Harrisville Township Zoning Ordinance. Roll call vote: Five ayes, zero nays. Carried. Therefore the Harrisville Township board resolves to amend the present zoning ordinance to the Harrisville Zoning Ordinance No. 11414 effective February 13, 2014. Roll call vote: five ayes, zero nays. Carried. There will be a board of review training in Alpena which the as-

sessor will attend and then update our review board. There was a long discussion on tax collecting between the county and the townships. Young/Pyne: Motion to pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m. Roger D. Jamieson,

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

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

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Thank you to the staff at Harrisville Eye Care and Dr. Dietrich for helping me in a pinch with my contact lens emergency. It was great to work with compassionate and caring people. Celeste Shiffer

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Alcona Township Planning Commission 2014 meeting schedule. The regular meeting of the Alcona Township Planning Commission for 2014 are scheduled for the following dates: February 6, May 1, August 7 and November 6, 2014. A tri-township meeting (Alcona, Caledonia and Hawes townships) will be hosted by Alcona Township on April 24, 2014. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the Alcona Township Hall, 5576 US-23, just north of Black River Road. Call (989) 727-2790 for more information. Check the Alcona Township webpage: alconatownship.com. Meetings are open to the public.



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Alpena Regional Medical Center has a current need for a registered Histology Technician or Technologists. It is a float position (scheduled for 24-40 hours per week) with a comprehensive full time benefits package. Qualifications include: Graduate of a NAACLS accredited school of Histotechnology. Must be ASCP eligible or a registered histopathology technician or technologist (or equivalent). If eligible, must obtain certification within 12 months of hire date. (Certification must remain current during employment)

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

Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dawn M. Ross and Russell J. Ross, wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc. its successors and assigns, mortgagee, dated December 30, 2011, and recorded on January 13, 2012 in Liber 484 on page 1,099, and assigned by said mortgagee to Quicken Loans Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of eighty-five thousand four hundred fifty-one and 62/100 dollars (\$85,451.62).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on January 29, 2014.

Said premises are situated in township of Curtis, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Property located in

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald Wm. Earnest and Marnev B. Earnest, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., mortgagee, dated September 17, 2003, and recorded on October 7, 2003 in Liber 391 on page 366, in Alcona County records. Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to EverBank as assignee as

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Mortgage sale — Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Melissa R. Ross, a single woman, mortgagor, to First National Bank of America. mortgagee, dated September 6, 2007, and recorded September 11, 2007, in Liber 445, page 1,089, of Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice \$39,120.44, including interest at 11.25 percent per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the state of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, February 19, 2014, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, Michigan.

LEGAL NOTICE

Section 16, T25N, R6E, described as: The east half (E1/2) of the northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of the southwest (SW 1/4) and the southeast quarter (SE 1/4 of the northwest guarter (NW 1/4), excepting Lot 1 of Block 2 of Supervisors Plat of village of Glennie, excepting commencing at the southwest corner of the southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of the northwest quarter (NW 1/4); thence south 87 degrees east 684.47 feet; thence south 1 degree west 139.78 feet; thence south 56 degrees east 87.29 feet; thence north 18 degrees east along fence extended 302.50 feet and north 18 degrees west 96.16 feet and north 36 degrees west 103.14 feet and north 3 degrees east 293.90 feet and north 25 degrees east 224.56 feet and north 40 degrees east 102.49 feet and north 271.09 feet and north 11 degrees east 228.55 feet to a 1/8th line fence; thence west along fence 1,000 feet more or less to the northwest corner of the southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of the northwest quarter (NW 1/4); thence south 1,310 feet to the point of beginning, excepting that part lying south of Glennie Road. And, property located in Section 16, T25N, R6E, described as commencing at the northwest corner of the northeast guarter (NE 1/4) of the southwest quarter (SW 1/ 4); thence south 87 degrees east along the L Line 379.86 feet to the P.O.B.; thence south 87 degrees east 304.61 feet; thence south 1 degree west 90.05 feet; thence north 71 degrees west along the north R.O.W. of Glennie Road 319.17 feet to the point of beginning.

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documented by an assignment dated July 10. 2013, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of two hundred eighty-four thousand one hundred twenty and 33/100 dollars (\$284,120.33).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Alcona County, at 10 a.m. on February 12, 2014.

Said premises are situated in township of Alcona, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: All that parcel of land in township of Alcona, Alcona County, state of Michigan, as more fully described in deed Liber, 280, page 527, ID No. 01-013-135-005-006-00, being known and designated as Lot 6. Block 5. Binghams Landing, filed in plat Liber 1, page 35.

Said premises are situated in the township of Hawes and Village of Lincoln, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 44 of Brownlee Lake Park Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as found in Liber 1 of Plats, page 57, Alcona County records; c/k/a 325 Main Street, Lincoln, Mich. 48742 The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale, unless the premises are determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be one month, or until the time to provide the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later. Please be advised that if the mortgaged property is sold at a foreclosure sale by advertisement, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale, or to the mortgage holder, for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: January 22, 2014

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: January 1, 2014 For more information, please call: (248) 593-1300 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer

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CITY OF HARRISVILLE

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on January 13 at the city office. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Mayor Dobis and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was said.

Present: Mayor Dobis, treasurer Keerl, clerk Pierce, council members Sanderson, Kaiser, Crick and Baird and guests. Absent: Attorney Cook and council member Tartaglia. Clerk Pierce gave the oath of office to Joan Crick, Alderman Ward II for term ending December 31, 2018.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Crick, to approve the minutes of December 9. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Baird, support by Kaiser, to pay the bills in the amount of \$14,813.66. Motion carried 4-0. Mayor Dobis gave summation of response to city ad for vacancy of alderman. One letter of interest was received. Mayor Dobis presented letter of interest from Barbara Luenberger, to fill the vacancy of alderman in Ward III. Discussion and questions from council to candidate. Mayor Dobis recommended Barbara Luenberger to fill the vacancy. Motion by Crick, support by Kaiser, for Barbara Luenberger to fill the vacancy of alderman in Ward III. Motion carried: 4-0. Clerk Pierce gave the oath of office to Barbara Luenberger, Alderman Ward III for the term ending December 31, 2018. Barbara Luenberger was seated at council table. Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to confirm David Cook as city attorney. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Crick, to set city council meeting times as the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. Motion carried 5-0. The March meeting will be moved to Monday, March 17 at 7 p.m. Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to appoint Joan Crick as mayor pro tem. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to appoint Marjory French as deputy clerk for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to appoint Sharon O'Callaghan as deputy treasurer for the City of Harrisville. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Crick, support by Luenberger, to appoint Jim Kaiser as street and sidewalk administrator. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to reconfirm clerk as city census administrator. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Baird, support by Kaiser, to reconfirm clerk as representative to the local Chapter of the Michigan Township Association. Alderman Sanderson agreed to be the alternate. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Crick, support by Baird, to confirm Karen Sanderson as chamber of commerce representative for 2014. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to confirm Jim Kaiser as FEMA Representative for 2014. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Crick, support by Luenberger, Tom Keerl as webs nator for 2014. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Crick, support by Baird, to confirm appointments of Phil Stheiner, Ernie Andree and Tom Carroll, alternate, to the tax board of review for the term ending

December 31, 2014, Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Baird, support by Kaiser, to confirm appointments of Terrance Boucher and Darrel Morisse to the airport commission for the term ending December 31, 2016. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Luenberger, support by Sanderson, to appoint Michael Baird and Paul Dwyer to the zoning board of Appeals for the term ending December 31, 2016. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to appoint Dean Pierce to the tree board for the term ending December 31, 2016. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird, to appoint Marie Mroczek to the planning commission term ending December 31, 2016. Motion carried: 5-0. Motion by Sanderson, support by Luenberger, to give clerk approval to advertise for the following vacancies to be filled: Planning commission - two vacancies, tax board of review - one vacancy. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Baird, support by Sanderson, to reconfirm and accept the investment policy presented by the treasurer for 2014 using the following banks: Huron Community Bank, Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, Northland Area Federal Credit Union, First Federal of Northern Michigan, and Chemical Bank. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Luenberger, support by Baird, for approval for clerk to submit the MDOT application for use of M-72 and US-23 for annual activities use permit. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports: Mayor Dobis reported to council that the application for the SAW Grant (wastewater and sewer) has been processed by the state and he is waiting for further response from the state.

Harbor commissioner Baird reported that the next meeting of the harbor commission will be scheduled when they receive more information on the dredging application, which was signed and submitted, when it becomes available. Mayor Dobis will pursue an agreement from the state for the total amount of repair to the docks. Planning commissioner Baird reported there will be a regularly scheduled, quarterly meeting of the planning commission in March. The new zoning fee schedule has been agreed to and the commission will begin to review standing resolutions as they conform to the new zoning ordinances. Airport commissioner Boucher reported he has received his airport manager license renewal and the Public Use Airport License.

County commissioner Thompson reported on the county commissioner appointments for 2014. The Quilt Trail of Alcona County has been asked by MDOT to have available to MDOT, 1,700 maps of the county's quilt trail for distribution, by MDOT, to six Welcome stations in the south eastern and Port Huron area of the state. This request is up from 300 in

2013. Comment cards: None. I last co iments: Sandersor ported some of her constituents are requesting the possibility of using sand on area streets as well as some of the sidewalks on US-23 in front of some business being cleared of snow. Next city council meeting February 10 at 7 p.m. Luenberger moved meeting to be adjourned.

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> State of Michigan Probate Court **County of Alcona Notice to Creditors Decedent's Estate** File No. 14-5281 DF

Estate of Homer Charles LaGassey, deceased.

Date of birth: May 15, 1924 To all creditors:

Notice to creditors: The decedent, Homer C. LaGassey, died January 7, 2014. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Gary C. LaGassey, personal representative, or to both the probate court at PSC 103, Box 102 APO AE, 09603-0002 and the personal representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: January 14, 2014 Gary C. LaGassey PSC 103 Box 102 APO AE, 09603-0002

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Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Published prior to council approval.

ALCONA TWP. **SYNOPSIS**

Alcona Township's January board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Carlin at 7 p.m. with a pledge to the flag. Roll call was taken. Present: Carlin, LaLonde, MacNeill, Gauthier and Mead. Motion to pay bills, passed. Robert Kennedy introduced himself as a candidate for the State Representative of the 106th District. A budget workshop will be held on February 11 at 6 p.m. at the township hall.

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

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