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Stepping up

Local students start denim drive to help youth in need

By Mary Weber
Staff Writer

Two high school students are helping underprivileged teenagers feel normal by providing a piece of clothing most people take for granted -- jeans.

Victoria Burns and Skyla Krcmarik, seniors at Alcona High School, wanted to mark their final school year by helping others. These two best friends, who have known each other since grade school, often enjoy doing random acts of kindness within their school but wanted to help young people on a grander scale. When they came upon the cause "Teens for Jeans" they knew instantly it was a cause they could rally around.

They found the Teens for Jeans campaign sponsored by Aeropostale, Inc., a mall-based specialty retailer of casual apparel for young women and men, on the DoSomething.org website. DoSomething.org is a global not-for-profit organization for young people wanting to make a difference in the world with hundreds of unique

campaigns from ending violence to making the world more environmentally friendly.

The Teens for Jeans campaign encourages young people across the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada and Mexico to run a jeans drive. The DoSomething.org website states that approximately one in three homeless people in the United States is under the age of 18 and jeans are their most requested item. The national campaign has collected and distributed over four million pairs of jeans for teenagers in need to local homeless shelters and charities.

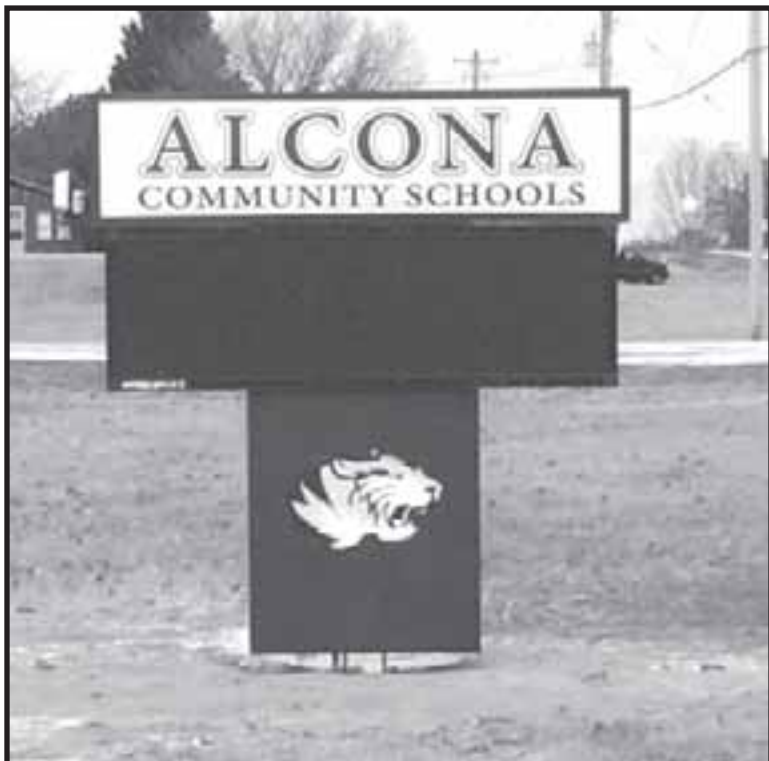
"We loved the idea right away; a lot of kids don't have jeans to wear. A pair of jeans can really help a teenager feel normal, even when things at home aren't normal," Krcmarik said.

The girls said the jeans are the perfect thing to donate. "Jeans are great, they can be worn multiple times between washing and they can wear anything with them," Burns

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Victoria Burns (left) and Skyla Krcmarik, seniors at Alcona High School, stand next to their Teens for Jeans collection box located inside Kris Mart in Lincoln. The girls found out about the jean clothing drive from the DoSomething.org website and are excited to help fill the need of the most requested item from underprivileged teenagers -- a pair of jeans. Collection boxes for the jeans can also be found at Mr. Ed's IGA in Harrisville and in the lobbies of the elementary school and high school. The jean drive will end February 13. Photo by Mary Weber.



A new sign at Alcona Community Schools greets students, teachers, staff and administrators returning to class after winter break. The purchase and installation of the digital sign were made possible by a long-term fund raising effort which began several years ago by former high school principal Terry Allison and staff members who volunteered their time. According to Alcona High School Principal Dan O'Connor, the middle/high school Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) made a "significant" donation as well. No general funds were used for this project. "We are excited to add more communication to those passing by the school with this huge upgrade," O'Connor said. Courtesy photo.

Alcona student athlete breaks 1,000 career point goal

By Jordan Steiner
Basketball Writer

As Michael Jordan once said, "You have to expect things of yourself before you can do them."

An Alcona boys basketball player recently passed a milestone that is very difficult to reach in high school -- scoring 1,000 points in his career. In doing so, Trenton LaVergne expected some things of himself before he achieved that goal.

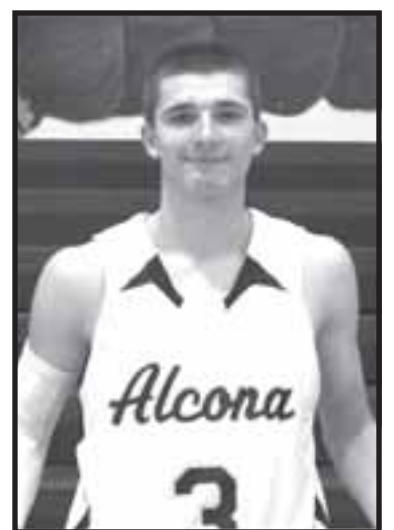
Trenton, 17, is a senior at Alcona High School. He is the son of Ed and Renee LaVergne of Lincoln. He made the varsity team as a freshman and has played in ABA (Alcona Basketball Association) since he was five years old. "Basketball sparked my interest at a young age and pushed me to continue playing and get better," LaVergne said.

Trenton's parents and his brother, Brock, have all played basketball for Alcona, giving Trenton a sizable advantage over others, and he has taken advantage of the opportunity. Ed LaVergne

played from 1986-1989 and was part of a team that won a district title in 1987. He has held a past record for most points scored in a single season with 418. Renee LaVergne also played from 1986-1989, and his older brother, Brock, played from 2009-2012. Brock was on teams that won two district titles in 2011 and 2012, and holds the single season rebounding record.

"I look up to my father the most. He has guided me throughout my success and given me helpful tools that I can use on the court," Trenton said. He takes me to the gym and helps me work on my game so I can get better and better."

One of Trenton's greatest attributes is his free throw percentage -- he shoots 80 percent from the free throw line and has hit many clutch shots in crunch time over the course of his career. "A game that stood out the most to me was in the district semifinal game against Houghton Lake where I scored 37 points," Trenton said. "And a team



Trenton LaVergne

that stood out the most to me was my freshman year, when I was brought up to varsity to play with that team. It had lots of good players on that team and it gave me the opportunity to play with my brother his senior year."

Besides basketball, Trenton enjoys playing soccer, baseball, playing video games and hanging out with friends. He is looking to break the all-

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Obituaries

Eilene Evelyn Sanford

In the early morning hours of December 18, 2014, one amazing, wonderful, and beautiful soul left this world. Eilene Evelyn Sanford, age 79, of Greenbush, Michigan passed away in Brooksville, Florida in the hand of her husband of 61 years. One husband, four children, ten grandchildren, and 15 great children have lost their number one fan.



Eilene was born on June 7, 1935, to the late George and Leola Ruth (Dunlop) Lang, in Flint, MI. On August 2, 1953, she married James Sanford in Hubbard Lake, MI. Together they had four children.

Eilene is survived by her husband James Sanford of Greenbush, MI and Brooksville, FL, daughter Barbara (Mathew) Stoley of Oscoda, MI, son Michael (Sheri) Sanford of Las Vegas, NV, daughter Susan (Larry) Elmer of Lincoln, MI, and son Randall Sanford of Harrisville, MI; 10 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren; her brother Robert (Marion) Lang, sister Patricia Cowden (Ron Rosbeck), brother David (Lydia) Lang; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and other loved ones that she touched.

Eilene was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. More than anything, she enjoyed spending time with her family. She saw each person for who they were, making everyone feel important, loved, and special. Her love was selfless and unconditional, and she dedicated her life to nurturing others.

She lived for us all. Her laugh, her humor, her tsk-tsk, and her infectious optimism will be greatly missed.

Preceding her in death was her mother Leola Ruth Eskuri and a sister Elaine (Coleman) Timm.

Cremation arrangements were handled by Brewer & Sons Funeral Home of Brooksville, FL.

A memorial service took place in Brooksville, Florida on Monday, December 21, 2014 with her grandson Chaplain Joshua Stoley officiating. There will be an additional memorial service in Michigan this spring/summer.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alpena Cancer Center in memory of Eilene.

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Charlotte M. Hilts

Charlotte M. Hilts, 81, of Harrisville, died on Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015 at Jamieson Nursing Home in Harrisville.

She was born March 21, 1933 in Harrisville to George and Grace (Apsey) Emerick. She was a resident of Alcona County for most of her life.

She was an English teacher at Alcona High School and retired in 1994.

On March 19, 1994, she married Richard Hilts.

Mrs. Hilts was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and its choir and was a member of Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel.

She loved to garden and always had a large garden full of flowers and vegetables. She enjoyed feeding the birds and squirrels.

Mrs. Hilts is survived by her husband, Dick; one daughter, Stephanie (Chuck) Byce of Barton City; one son,



She was preceded in death by one daughter, Pamela Gipson in 1991.

Visitation will be Saturday, Jan. 10 from 11 a.m. until the funeral at 1 p.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville. Burial will be in Springport Cemetery in the spring. Memorial donations may be made to Alcona Humane Society.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,
 I'd like to thank the nice young man who was jogging on US-23 in Harrisville on Sunday, Jan. 4 and notice a lady in a blue Focus who was stuck in the snow on Washington Street near US-23. He told me how to maneuver my car to get unstuck. We need more people like him who care.

Nancy Agren
Harrisville

To the Editor,
 A very large thank you to the fire fighters and first responders who promptly answered our 911 call on December 28, 2014.

As fires go, it was a small one without much flame and confined to one room. However, all the persons responding were prompt, efficient, friendly and concerned for us and our property.

We also thank Floyd from ServPro of Alpena for coming down the same day as the fire, a Sunday afternoon, to assess the damage so the work could begin Monday morning.

Hugs to Paul and Joan Dwyer for taking in our shell-shocked persons and providing support, an excellent meal and exceedingly comfortable lodgings.

Despite all, we feel very lucky and grateful.

Diane and Tom Carroll
Harrisville

Alvie Lee

Alvie Lee, 95, of Tawas, died on Friday, Jan. 2, 2015 at his home.

He was born March 15, 1919 to Harry and Gertrude (McGillis) Lee in Mikado. He was a life-long resident of the area.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

On September 15, 1945, he married Edith Tooze in Lincoln.

Mr. Lee was a member of the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lincoln, and helped to build the church.

He worked in civil service at Wurtsmith Air Force Base as a carpenter and with plaster. The Lees wintered in Arizona for 15 years and enjoyed playing cards.

Mr. Lee is survived by his wife, Edith; two daughters, Marlene (Bruce) Hoffman and Sheila (Mike) Schraven; six grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; one sis-



ter, Verna Kuenzli; and one brother, Harold Lee.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Van Lee and Gerald Lee; three sisters-in-law, Agnes Lee, Frances Lee, and Erma Lee; and one brother-in-law, Lawrence Kuenzli.

The funeral was held at Gillies Funeral Home in Lincoln on Monday, Jan. 5. The Rev. Jacob Schwartz officiated. Burial will be in Mikado Cemetery in the spring.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2014-2015

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	Dec. 28	36		26	0.00	2.6
Dec. 29	28	17	0.00	2.7	15	N
Dec. 30	22	12	0.00	2.5	16	NNW
Dec. 31	20	8	0.01	5.8	34	SW
Jan. 1	30	19	0.01	5.4	28	SW
Jan. 2	27	8	0.00	2.0	15	N
Jan. 3	33	16	0.13	6.1	24	SSE

Precipitation Summary (Inches) 2014-2015

	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.15	5.0	0.42
Month of December	1.60	2.4	28.40
January to Date	0.14	4.6	0.18
Year/Season to Date	0.14	10.4	0.18

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

Obituaries

Jeffrey E. Monroe

Jeffrey E. Monroe, 58, of Spruce died on Monday, Dec. 29, 2014 in Spruce.

He was born March 31, 1956 to Eugene and Joanne (Serril) Monroe in Pontiac, Mich. He was raised in South Lyon, Mich.

On July 12, 1990 he married Rebecca Tivy in Troy, Mich. Mr. Monroe served in the U.S. Air Force. He worked at Tube Forming and Machine in Oscoda, and had worked at Alpena Community College.

Mr. Monroe is survived by his wife, Becky; three sons, Joshua Monroe, stationed in Japan with the U.S. Navy, Joel Monroe and Jonathon Monroe, both of Spruce; and one daughter, Joanna Monroe of Spruce; his mother, Joanne Groves of Lincoln; and his father, Gene Monroe of Hastings, Mich. No services are planned at this time.

Freddie D. Hepting

Freddie D. Hepting, 77, of Barton City, died on Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015 at his home.

He was born November 21, 1937 to Fred and Charlotte (Hochfeld) Hepting in Detroit, Mich., where he was raised.

In October of 1959, he married Carol McQuade in Detroit, Mich., where they were short-time residents before moving to Romeo, Mich.

Mr. Hepting retired from General Motors as a supervisor after 34 years with the company. In 1992 he moved to Barton City.

He was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville and a member of the F. & A.M. Alcona Lodge No. 292 in Lincoln. He enjoyed woodworking and was an avid sports fan.

Mr. Hepting is survived by his wife, Carol; three daughters, Lisa (Roger) Hepting Ellis of Fenton, Mich., Heidi Hepting of Barton City and Careen (Harry) Hercliff of Columbus, Mich.; one son, Kurt Hepting of Imlay City, Mich.; four grandchildren, Megyn Ellis, Kristyn Ellis, Kyle Hercliff and Lauren Hercliff; one sister, Karin (Walter) Parsons of St. Clair, Mich.; and one brother, Karl (Alta) Hepting of Warren, Mich.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Erika Hepting. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln. A memorial service will be announced at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

John H. Emerson Jr.

John Henry Emerson Jr., 70, of Redford, Mich. died on Sunday, Dec. 21, 2014.

He was born on July 22, 1944 in Harrisville to John Henry and Margaret (Badenhoop) Emerson.

Mr. Emerson is survived by two sisters, Grace Langea of Garden City, Mich. and Rebekah Wilcox of Hudsonville, Mich.; and one brother, James Emerson of Novi, Mich.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1985; his mother in 2007; two brothers, David Carl Emerson in 1999 and Gordon Raymond Emerson in 2010.

Cremation has taken place. No services are planned.

Beulah Wnuk

Beulah Wnuk, 96, of Barton City, died on Sunday, Dec. 28, 2014 at Tendercare of Alpena.

She was born January 7, 1918 in Barton City to Alton and Bertha (Swartz) Rifenbark.

On January 7, 1937 she married Bernard Wnuk.

A lifelong resident of Barton City, Mrs. Wnuk was a member of St. Raphael Catholic Church in Mikado.

She enjoyed cooking, sewing, crocheting and knitting. She also enjoyed painting and drawing with charcoal. Learning was an important aspect of Mrs. Wnuk's life. She was a bowler and had a 220 game at the age of 85. She enjoyed listening to baseball on the radio and watching it on television, at the Barton City ball diamond, and one game at Tiger stadium.

Mrs. Wnuk is survived by three daughters, Nancy (John) Ciesla, Theresa (Mike Harbaugh) Wnuk and Mary (John) Deckard; three sons, Paul (Darliss) Wnuk, Michael (Debra) Wnuk and Mark (Dianne) Wnuk; 19 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bernard, on May 19, 1995; one brother, Alton Rifenbark; two sisters, Gladys Beaushaw and Myrtle Rifenbark; one granddaughter, Elizabeth Ciesla; and two great-grandchildren, Christine Cordner and Ryan Cordner.

A funeral Mass was held Saturday, Jan. 3 at St. Raphael Catholic Church in Mikado. The Rev. Robert Bissot officiated. Burial was in Maple Ridge Cemetery, Barton City.

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said. She explained a lot of people have jeans they don't wear because they don't fit right or they just don't like them and this is the perfect opportunity to clean out closets and drawers and do something good with those jeans.

Large decorated boxes are located in both lobbies of the Alcona High School and elementary school for the collection of jeans. Collection boxes are also located in Kris Mart grocery store in Lincoln and Mr. Ed's IGA grocery store in Harrisville.

Krcmarik said any gently used jeans from kids to adult sizes will gladly be accepted now through February 13. The girls said with any monetary donations they may collect they will go to St. Vincent de Paul and purchase jeans for the campaign.

As an extra incentive to operating a jean drive Areopostle is offering the top collecting schools a \$5,000 grant along with scholarship opportunities. Both Burns and Krcmarik liked the thought of providing their school with a grant and were interested in the scholarship, since both plan on attending college, but said the important thing is really just being able to help other people their age.



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District Health Department No. 2 PUBLIC HEARINGS NOTICE

Public Hearings will discuss the proposed Environmental Health Regulations that affect requirements for onsite water wells and onsite sewage disposal systems for Alcona, Iosco, Ogemaw and Oscoda counties. Proposed revisions include the types of wells that will require permits and the sizing and construction requirements for septic systems. A tentative effective date for the proposed revisions is April 15, 2015.

These Public Hearings will also allow citizens to present data, views and arguments.

The Public Hearing dates are:

January 19, 2015 Monday at 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Oscoda Township State Street Square Conference Center, 208 S. State St., Oscoda, MI.

January 20, 2015 Tuesday at 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Alcona County Commission on Aging, 207 Church St, Lincoln, MI.

January 21, 2015 Wednesday at 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Ogemaw County Building, Commissioners Chambers, 806 W. Houghton Ave., West Branch, MI.

January 22, 2015 Thursday at 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Mio Community Center, 305 E. 9th St., Mio, MI.

An electronic copy of the proposed regulations is available through a link on the Home Page of the website for District Health Department No. 2 at: www.dhd2.org

For further information, please contact the Environmental Health Director at (989) 343-1803.

(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 7

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.

Sing-a-long to the oldies with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Center, 5039 Campbell Road.

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 4 p.m. in the upstairs hall at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. All levels of woodcarvers including beginners are welcome.

The Alcona County Baby Pantry will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Raphael Church, 2531 East F-30, Mikado. Free items for newborns to age five to residents of Alcona County. Diapers, formula, clothes, bedding and more will be available.

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Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will meet at 11 a.m. at the VFW Hall, 2900 Connon at the corner of Brooke and Connon, near Diamonds Pointe in Alpena. Bring a can of food for the needy. For more information, call (989) 356-4959 or (989) 727-4080.

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

My Brother's Hope will accept donations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 N. Barlow Road across from Alcona High School. For more information, call Susan Armstrong at (989) 724-6365.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8

A blood pressure clinic will be held at 3:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9

Enjoy popcorn and a movie at 12:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For details, 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.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10

The Alcona County Food Pantry will be open from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23). Proof of residency required.

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

Harrisville Cub Scout Pack 3093 will hold a returnable can and bottle drive from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lincoln ARA site.

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

My Brother's Hope Potluck Cafe will be serving a meal from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Harrisville United Methodist Church, 217 N. State St., Harrisville. For more information, call Susan Armstrong at (989) 724-6365.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11

A soup and pie luncheon will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. The public is welcome.

MONDAY, JANUARY 12

All ladies are invited to play pinochle at 1 p.m. at the

Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road. First-timers welcome.

Exercise indoors, walk upstairs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13

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

The AuSable Valley Audubon invites the public to hear Brad Slaughter from MSU discuss the natural resources that have been inventoried in the AuSable Valley region at 1 p.m. at the Robert J. Parks Library, Skeel Avenue, in Oscoda.

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The Alcona County Democrats will hold an informal breakfast meeting at the Iron Skillet Restaurant in Lincoln beginning at 9 a.m. Members and non-members are welcome. For more information, call Sandra Williams at (989) 727-4080.

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

A presentation of historic aircraft wrecks in Lake Hu-

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Senior Menu

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- Monday, Jan. 12—Turkey and cheese sandwich, homemade potato soup, baby carrots and tropical fruit.

- Tuesday, Jan. 13—Hawaiian pork, rice, peas and mandarin oranges.

- Wednesday, Jan. 14—Swedish meatballs, buttered noodles, corn, orange pineapple fluff and pears.

- Thursday, Jan. 15—Barbecued chicken, baked beans, cauliflower, tossed salad and peaches.

- Friday, Jan. 16—Pork tips and gravy, rice, Brussels sprouts and applesauce.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Shipwreck Program

On Thursday, January 15 Harrisville United Methodist Church will host Wayne Lusardi, state maritime archaeologist. He will talk about historic aircraft wrecks of the Great Lakes, particularly those in Lake Huron including several in Alcona and Iosco counties. A chili bar and dessert meal will precede the program from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. with the presentation beginning at 6:30 p.m. A separate free will offering will be sought for both events and will support the costs of the new church roof. "Those who attended Lusardi's presentation in 2012 regarding shipwrecks along Alcona's shoreline will remember how engaging the presentation was. We are excited to have him speak and anticipate a similar program this time," said Connie Petrovich.

Away at School

- Crystal Allen of Glennie was named to the dean's list for the 2014 fall semester at Alpena Community College. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

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- Karina Cole of Lincoln was named to the dean's list for the 2014 fall semester at Alpena Community College. To achieve dean's list recognition students must earn a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

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time scoring record and he will have a chance to do that this season. He is currently only the fifth Alcona player to break 1,000 career points. Trenton LaVergne (1,017) is looking to pass Tom McIntyre (1,020), Bob Potvin (1,052), Jim Somers (1,103) and Todd Friedt who is at the top of the record board with 1,134 career points.

Trenton credits his parents and his coaches in helping to be in the position he is in today. "My parents are the biggest part in helping me to achieve my 1,000 points. My parents took me to multiple basketball camps to help me get better at basketball and they are a vital part of my success on the basketball court." Trenton said.

"Also, my coaches were a big part of my success, it all started with coach Seth Coffing bringing me up to varsity my freshman year. Then it moved on to Coach Timmy Somers, who helped coach and guide me my 10th grade year. After Timmy, coach Jason Somers came along and he has been huge in my success. He has pushed me to great limits and is a vital part of my success both on and off the basketball court."

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Trenton is looking forward to the possibility of playing basketball in college.




Trenton LaVergne celebrates with his parents, Renee and Ed LaVergne and brother, Brock LaVergne after the Alcona varsity boys basketball team's game against the Tawas Braves. During the game LaVergne broke a career goal of 1,000 points. *Photos by Kathy Steiner.*

Bowling

Wednesday Nite Women's

<i>December 22</i>		Majors	
Lincoln Prec.	151 89	<i>January 3</i>	
Alcona Tool	147 93	Crazy Kids	165 78
Alcona Abstract	141.5 98.5	Pin Busters	122 120
Back Alley Bar	127 113	Spare Happens	119 124
Ark Plumbing	124 116	Lucky 7	77 157
JB's Auto	107 133	Boy's high game and series:	
Stoney Acres	104.5 135.5	Cory Hoffman,	176 and 462.
High game: Carla James,	205.	Boy's high handicap game and series:	Jake Tanner, 267 and 697.
High series: Karen Godi,	535.	Girl's high game and series:	Emily Hoffman, 152 and 429.
High handicap game and series:	Becky Schroeder, 245 and 671.	Girl's high handicap game and series:	Emily Hoffman, 236 and 681.
<i>December 29</i>		Early Bloomers	
JB's Auto	25 5	<i>December 23</i>	
Stoney Acres	19 11	Rosebuds	35 13
Back Alley Bar	18 12	Mums	32 16
Alcona Abstract	17 13	Violets	28 20
Alcona Tool	13 17	Buttercups	24 24
Ark Plumbing	12 18	Marigolds	17 31
Lincoln Prec.	11 19	Daffodils	8 40
High game and series: Flora Yingling,	227 and 634.	High game and series: Carla Travis,	214 and 538.
High handicap game: Linda Blumer,	258.	High team game and series: Mums,	474 and 1,299.
High handicap series: Flora Yingling,	691.		
Minors			
<i>January 3</i>		<i>December 30</i>	
Tigers	99 18	Mums	47 25
Girl Power	57 60	Rosebuds	44 28
Red Skulls	52 39	Violets	42.5 29.5
Boy's high game and series: Garrett Somers,	65 and 122.	Buttercups	33.5 38.5
Boy's high handicap game and series: Ashton Smith,	222 and 428.	Marigolds	33 39
Girl's high game and series: Emily Hanson,	111 and 169.	Daffodils	16 56
Girl's high handicap game and series: Emily Hanson,	232 and 411.	High game: Gina Broadwood,	172.
		High series: Lori Miller,	440.
		High team game: Daffodils,	442.
		High team series: Marigolds,	1,198.

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2	Unlimited	9	Unlimited
3	Unlimited	10	2 Openings
4	Unlimited	11	Closed
5	Unlimited	12	2 Openings
6	Unlimited		

Applications for limited seats available for second semester of the 2014-2015 school year will be accepted from December 15, 2014 to January 22, 2015. Applications received after January 22nd cannot be accepted. Successful applicants will be notified by mail after January 22, 2015. For further information or an application, contact Alcona Community Schools, 51 N. Barlow Rd., P.O. Box 249, Lincoln, MI 48742 or call (989) 736-6212 or visit www.alconaschools.net.

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SENIOR LIFESTYLES

How to claim the retirement saver's tax credit

Dear Savvy Senior,
A coworker was recently telling me about a tax credit she got last year for simply contributing to our company's 401(k) plan. What can you tell me about this, and who's eligible?

Over 55

Dear Over,
It's called the "retirement saver's tax credit," and it's a frequently overlooked credit that's available to low and moderate-income individuals and families who make saving for retirement a priority. Here's how it works.

If you contribute to a traditional or Roth IRA, or an employer sponsored plan like a 401(k), 457, 403(b), SEP plan, SIMPLE IRA or other retirement-savings plan, the retirement saver's tax credit will allow you to claim 10, 20 or 50 percent of your contribution, depending on your income, up to a maximum of \$1,000 per person or \$2,000 per couple.

To qualify, you must also be at least 18 years old and not a full-time student, and were not claimed as a dependent on someone else's tax return. And your adjusted gross income in 2015 must be \$61,000 or less as a married couple filing jointly, \$45,750 or less if filing as head of household, or \$30,500 or less if you're a single filer. These income limits are adjusted annually to keep pace with inflation.

To get the 50 percent credit, you'll need to have an income below \$18,250 if you're single, \$27,375 if you're filing as head of household, and \$36,500 for couples in 2015.

The 20 percent credit rate applies to individuals earning between \$18,251 and \$19,750; for head of household filers it's \$27,376 to \$29,625; and for couples it's \$36,501 to \$39,500.

And the 10 percent rate is for individuals with an adjusted gross income between

\$19,751 and \$30,500; for head of household filers 29,626 to \$45,750; and couples it's between \$39,501 and \$60,100.

You also need to know that the retirement saver's tax credit can be claimed in addition to the tax deduction you get for contributing to your employer's retirement plan or a traditional IRA.

Here's an example of how this works. Let's say you're married and have an income of \$37,000, and your spouse is not working. If you contribute \$1,000 to your company's 401(k) plan, your adjusted gross income would be reduced to \$36,000 on your tax return. You would also be able to claim a 50 percent retirement saver's credit, which is worth \$5,000, for your \$1,000 401(k) contribution.

Keep in mind though that this is a tax credit, not a deduction, so it lowers your income tax dollar for dollar. It is, however, a nonrefund-



Savvy Senior

able tax credit, which means it cannot reduce the amount of tax owed to less than zero.

To claim the credit, you will need to fill out Form 8880 (see irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8880.pdf) and attach it to your 1040, 1040A or 1040NR when you file your tax return. Don't use the 1040EZ Form.

If you think that you would have qualified for the credit in previous years but didn't claim it, you can file an amended return as far back as 2011 and still get the credits. A 2011 amended return is due by April 15, 2015. See IRS Form 1040X (irs.gov/

pub/irs-pdf/i1040x.pdf) for instructions on how to file an amended return.

And for more information on the retirement saver's tax credit, see IRS Publication 590 "Individual Retirement Arrangements" (irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p590.pdf).

If you don't have Internet access to see or download these forms, call the IRS at 800-829-3676 and ask them to mail them to you.

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DNR and forest service partner to protect oak trees from killer fungus

Like American elm in the 1950s and ash trees in more recent history, Michigan's red oak trees are facing potentially significant die-offs due to an exotic and largely invisible killer -- oak wilt.

A deadly fungus that can kill previously healthy trees within a matter of weeks, oak wilt is spread by sap-feeding beetles -- also known as "picnic beetles" -- that introduce the disease to freshly wounded trees. The fungus then quickly moves through the underground root systems that connect entire stands of oak trees, rapidly increasing the impact of one infected tree.

"Oak wilt kills by interfering with the vessels that transport water throughout the tree," said Roger Mech, forest health specialist for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Forest Resources Division. "The fungus plugs up those vessels and is fatal; if a red oak tree is exposed to oak wilt spores, they are going to kill the tree. It just floors me how quickly it happens. It's dramatic."

Trees with oak wilt commonly begin dying from the top down, since the top is farthest from the roots and is the first part of the tree to suffer from lack of water. Red oaks shedding their leaves in June or July instead of during the late fall can be a sign of an oak wilt infection.

Although experts do not predict the loss of red oaks in Michigan will be on the same scale as ash trees lost to the emerald ash borer, the impact will still be significant in terms of losing forested areas



The vibratory plow blade used to treat infected stands of oak was specially designed and built at the DNR's Forest Fire Experiment Station in Roscommon. The plow cuts narrow trenches five feet deep to separate underground root systems, preventing further spread of the oak wilt fungus to uninfected trees. *Photos courtesy of Michigan DNR.*

that provide recreation, critical wildlife habitat and valuable timber.

"In our state parks and recreation areas in particular, it has become a huge issue," said Heidi Frei, stewardship coordinator for the DNR's Parks and Recreation Division. "P.J. Hoffmaster State Park is one example where more than 140 mature red oaks have been lost, resulting in a near clear-cut of the campground area."

Many state parks, recreation areas, state forest campgrounds and other areas of state-managed land have been impacted by oak wilt, with the disease now widespread across much of the Lower Peninsula and parts of the southern Upper Peninsula.

Unfortunately, once oak wilt is present it is nearly impossible to entirely eradicate, but opportunities have been identified to help slow the spread of the disease.

"All signs point to the movement of firewood as a major culprit in the rapid spread of oak wilt," Frei said, noting that when oak wilt is detected in a park or recreation area, it is typically first found in or near the campgrounds, where trees with vehicle or camper-inflicted damage are especially vulnerable to infection from contaminated firewood.

"Cooperation from the pub-

lic in using locally sourced firewood rather than transporting it will be critical in helping to protect valuable urban landscapes and rural forests from the devastating impacts of oak wilt disease and other forest diseases and pests, like the emerald ash borer," Frei said.

Landowners are also advised to not prune oak trees between April 15 and July 15, when the beetles that spread the fungus take advantage of trees with fresh wounds to feed on sap. Planting trees that are resistant to oak wilt is also recommended.

Trees in the red oak group -- those that have pointy-lobed leaves, such as northern red oak, black oak and pin oak -- are most susceptible to the disease, Mech said. White oaks -- those with rounded lobes -- are much less susceptible, though they are also occasionally infected.

"We tell folks that if they're looking to reduce the risk of losing entire stands of trees to oak wilt, increasing diversity in their landscaping and forested land is ideal," Mech said. "If they want to plant oak trees, white oak is the best option."

In addition to these preemptive means of preventing or slowing the spread of oak wilt, the DNR's Forest Resources and Parks and Recreation divisions have partnered with the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) to develop and implement a method of treating stands of oak trees that are already infected.

The new cooperative effort between the DNR and USFS focuses specifically on stopping the spread of oak wilt through underground root systems by identifying stands of infected trees and then using specialized equipment to create narrow trenches between the trees, separating the root systems.

"We use a vibratory plow -- equipment typically used for laying cable -- and cut roots to a depth of five feet," Mech said. "The DNR's Forest Fire Experiment Station in Roscommon designed and built special blades to reach a sufficient depth to literally

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For the Week of December 29, 2014 - January 4, 2015

46 complaints were handled resulting in the following: 2 Arrests; 2 Warrants.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	1	Property Damage Accident	3
Message/Well Being Check	1	Miscellaneous	4
Dog/Animal	3	Traffic	7
Alarm	6	Domestic	1
911 Hang Up	2	Harassment/Threats/Stalking	1
Patrol Check	1	Warrant Arrest	2
Power Lines Down	3	Breaking and Entering	1
Medical	2	Personal Injury Accident	2
Assault & Battery	1	Larceny	1
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1	Suicidal Subject	1
Suspicious Events	1		

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

Alcona	3	Caledonia	2	Curtis	3
Greenbush	5	Gustin	2	Harrisville	8
Hawes	3	Haynes	4	Mikado	1
Millen	1	Mitchell	1		
Harrisville City	8	Village of Lincoln	5		

Car seat laws remain unchanged

Over the past few weeks there has been a lot of communication regarding the proposed changes to the child passenger seat law in Michigan. According to Michigan State Police Community Trooper Ashley Simpson, these changes were proposed in Senate Bill 1135, which would have made changes to the current laws. However, it was not heard by the House and, therefore, will not make it to the governor for signature.

Simpson explained Michigan's car seat laws, at this point, have not changed. A driver transporting a child less than four years of age in a motor vehicle shall properly secure that child in a child restraint system that meets the standards prescribed in 49 CFR 571.213.

Michigan Vehicle Code MCL 257.710d states, "a driver transporting a child under four years of age shall position the child in the child restraint system in a rear seat, if the vehicle is equipped with a rear seat. If all available rear seats are occupied by children less than four years of age, then a child less than four years of age may be positioned in the child restraint system in the front seat. A child in a rear-facing child restraint system may be placed in the front seat only if the front passenger air bag is deactivated."

MCL 257.710e(3)b states, "a child who is four years of age or older but less than eight years of age and who is less than four feet nine inches in height shall be properly secured in a child restraint system (booster seat) in accordance with the child restraint manufacturer's and vehicle manufacturer's instructions and the standards prescribed in 49 CFR 571.213."

Further information can be found by going to www.michigan.gov/msp and searching child passenger safety law.



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slice the roots, establishing a barrier between the infected and uninfected trees.”

Considering the highly contagious nature of oak wilt and the fact that root systems of large oak trees can spread 60 feet or more, all red oaks found within the trenched area must be removed for the treatment to be effective. The removed trees are cut and chipped, burned, or sawed into lumber to help prevent any potential over-land spread of oak wilt spores.

In 2014, the plow treatments were completed on state forest land in Alpena, Benzie, Charlevoix, Grand Traverse, Missaukee, Otsego and Roscommon counties, and national forest land in Iosco, Manistee and Wexford counties. Additional work will continue in 2015. Although the trenching method works well in forested areas, Mech said there are challenges to using it in urban or residential areas.

“In some cases, the plow can't be used due to buried utilities, septic and sewer lines, small lot sizes and other limitations,” Mech said. “This method is effective where we can use it, but it isn't a fail-safe. Response treatments have their limitations. Long-term success in combating the spread of this devastating forest disease will depend heavily on the public's support for taking the necessary proactive measures. The two approaches go hand-in-hand.”

To learn more about preventing the spread of oak wilt disease in Michigan, visit www.michigan.gov/foresthhealth.

(Editor's Note: This feature story was provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources as an aspect of "Showcasing the DNR" program, which promotes the importance of conservation in Michigan.)



DNR forest technician Phillip Kurzeja checks under the bark of a red oak, looking for indications of oak wilt disease. Sap-feeding "picnic beetles" spread the oak wilt fungus to trees with fresh wounds.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Look what the cat dragged in: Pests your pets bring home

(BPT) - Keeping pests out of a home is important, but it can be an uphill battle if pet owners aren't intercepting them at the source, and in some cases, the source may be their pets.

Pet pests pose unique threats to both people and animals and can be brought inside on fur, skin and clothing. They can easily fall or jump from one surface to another or from an animal to its

owner. They are difficult to spot, and they can be carriers of multiple diseases. The good news is they can often be prevented.

Fleas and ticks have unique adaptations that make them well suited to finding and feeding on pets. Animal fur is ideal for them to grab onto when pets walk through woods or grass. When dogs and cats come back inside, be sure to do a complete check to be sure no unwanted hitchhikers are coming in with them.

According to the National Pest Management Association (NPMA), pet pests can be more than just an itchy annoyance. Fleas can transfer tapeworms

to pets, cause flea allergy dermatitis, and in rare cases, transmit bubonic plague if they've fed on an infected rodent. Ticks are not as noticeable as fleas, but they are known to carry very serious diseases such as Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, anaplasmosis and can even cause "tick paralysis" in animals.

One of the easiest ways to do a pest check is by combing an animal's hair/fur and using a hand to smooth fur along the body. Fleas can be seen in fur and along the skin's surface and beware - they are fast movers and hard to catch. Ticks may feel like a scab or a

larger protrusion if they've begun to engorge.

Also, be on the lookout for skin irritations on your pet and excessive scratching, licking or nibbling, all of which are good indicators of fleas or ticks.

Facts about ticks

- Some tick species have preferred hosts. The American dog tick prefers to feed on domestic dogs and is one of the most common tick species brought into homes.

- Ticks are much easier to spot after a meal. Some species will grow almost four times in size.

- To find a host, ticks clasp onto shrubs or grass with their back legs and reach their front legs out to grab onto passing fur or clothing.

- Wherever they attach, ticks will crawl toward the head of their host. The skin around the neck and ears is thinner and these areas are hardest for animals to groom.

Facts about fleas

- Fleas can jump up to eight feet, which is 150 times their own height.

- Fleas typically remain on their host at all times. However, they are easily transferable to furniture or between animals.

- There are more than 2,000 known species and subspecies of fleas, but the cat flea accounts for the majority of infestations in the United States.

- Fleas infest many animals like rodents and raccoons, as well. If you suspect a rodent infestation, fleas may soon follow.

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Organization Notes

Alcona Democratic Party

On December 30, 2014 the Alcona Democratic Party met at the EMS Building on M-72. Routine business was followed by election of officers for the 2015-2016 terms. Newly elected officers are: Chairman Sandra Williams, vice chairman Robert Kennedy, secretary Abigail Hoffman and treasurer Al LaBrecque.

Special guests were democratic candidates for the 2014 election Joe Lukasiewicz and Robert Kennedy. They shared some of their individual experiences of being a candidate in the 36th senatorial district and the state representative 106th District respectively.

Newly elected members of the executive committee discussed the need to develop specific goals for the next two years. To achieve a goal of becoming more informed about issues, a special guest, Dr. Tina Hahn of Alpena will speak at the January 27 meeting. Dr. Hahn, a pediatrician, will discuss an important public health study, Adverse Childhood Experiences.

The meeting will be held at the Alcona County EMS Building on M-72 at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in finding more about the Alcona Democratic Party can contact, alconadems@gmail.com or call (989) 727-4080.

Calendar of Events



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ron will be held at the United Methodist Church on US-23 in Harrisville. A chili bar and dessert meal will be served from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. with the presentation immediately following. A separate free will offering will be sought for both events and will support the cost of the church roof. For more information, call Connie at (989) 724-6643 or Joan at (989) 724-6546.

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16

Enjoy popcorn and a movie at 12:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. For details, call (989) 736-8879.

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Free Fishing Weekend

The annual Winter Free Fishing Weekend is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 14, and Sunday, Feb. 15. That weekend, everyone – residents and non-residents alike – can fish Michigan waters without a license, though all other fishing regulations still apply.

Michigan has celebrated the Winter Free Fishing Weekend every year since 1994 as a way to promote awareness of the state's vast aquatic resources. With more than 3,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, tens of thousands of miles of rivers and streams, and 11,000 inland lakes, Michigan and fishing are a perfect match.

"Michigan's winter months offer excellent opportunities to enjoy our state's great outdoors, and fishing is a popular option for all ages," said DNR Director Keith Creagh. "The Winter Free Fishing Weekend is an easy, low-commitment way for anglers of all experience and skill levels to explore and enjoy Michigan's world-class natural resources and one of our state's most beloved outdoor traditions." To encourage involvement in the Winter Free Fishing Weekend, organized activities have been and continue to be scheduled in communities across the state. These activities are coordinated by a variety of organizations including constituent groups, schools, local and state parks, businesses and others. A full list of these events can be found online at www.michigan.gov/freefishing. The website also offers online tools to help those interested in planning and promoting local events.

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.

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

SATURDAY, JANUARY

17 A filmmaking workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, 500 West Fletcher, Alpena. Cost is \$20. For more information, call (989) 356-8805 or visit www.thunderbay.noaa.gov.

MONDAY, JANUARY 19

All ladies are invited to play bunco at 2:30 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road. First-timers welcome.

Exercise indoors, walk up-

stairs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

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

The film "Rabbit Proof Fence" will be shown at 2 p.m. at Alpena Community College, room 122 at the Besser Tech Center in Alpena. Matt Dunckel, faculty member, will lead a discussion of the film.

A chili supper will be held at 5 p.m. at Alpena Community College Lumberjack Shack in Alpena. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for students. Tickets will be available at the door. All proceeds will go to "Wash Your Coat Project" which provides free washer and dryer service to those in need.

A program featuring members of the community discussing stereotypes in a mono-cultural community will be held at 7 p.m. at Alpena Community College at the Newport Center, room 106 in Alpena.

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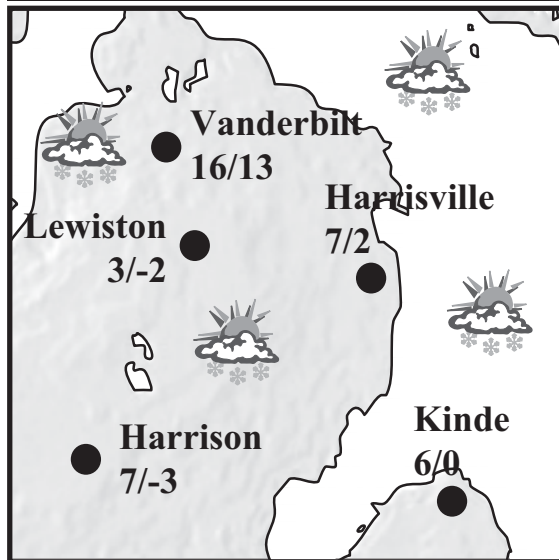
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Snow Likely
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- SATURDAY**
Partly Cloudy
High: 17 Low: 10
- SUNDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 23 Low: 14
- MONDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 25 Low: 11
- TUESDAY**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 21 Low: 5

Today's Regional Map



In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a 40% chance of snow, high temperature of 7°, humidity of 71%. Northwest wind 20 to 25 mph. The record high temperature for today is 48° set in 1949. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 2°. The record low for tonight is -13° set in 1968. Thursday, skies will be cloudy with a 70% chance of snow.

*Last Week's Almanac

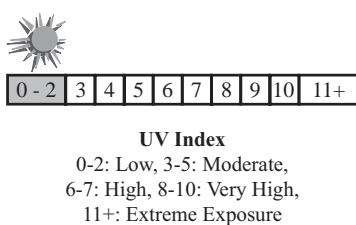
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Monday	23	16	28/13	0.00"
Tuesday	21	10	28/13	0.00"
Wednesday	19	8	28/12	0.00"
Thursday	28	17	27/12	0.00"
Friday	25	9	27/12	0.00"
Saturday	32	10	27/12	0.20"
Sunday	32	8	27/11	0.18"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Last 1/13 Wednesday	8:09 a.m.	5:10 p.m.	8:00 p.m.	9:16 a.m.
Thursday	8:09 a.m.	5:11 p.m.	8:58 p.m.	9:47 a.m.
Friday	8:08 a.m.	5:12 p.m.	9:56 p.m.	10:15 a.m.
Saturday	8:08 a.m.	5:13 p.m.	10:54 p.m.	10:42 a.m.
New 1/20 Sunday	8:08 a.m.	5:14 p.m.	11:53 p.m.	11:09 a.m.
Monday	8:07 a.m.	5:15 p.m.	No Rise	11:36 a.m.
Tuesday	8:07 a.m.	5:16 p.m.	12:52 a.m.	12:05 p.m.

Local UV Index



National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see scattered snow today, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Thursday, scattered snow Friday, with the highest temperature of 37° in Salisbury, Md. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 82° in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. The Northwest will see mostly clear skies today, isolated snow Thursday, mostly clear to partly cloudy skies Friday, with the highest temperature of 62° in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 82° in Chino, Calif.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	9:17 a.m.	6:29 p.m.
Venus	9:20 a.m.	6:35 p.m.
Mars	10:14 a.m.	8:29 p.m.
Jupiter	7:53 p.m.	10:07 a.m.
Saturn	4:40 a.m.	2:10 p.m.
Uranus	11:52 a.m.	12:36 a.m.

Weather History

Jan. 7, 1989 - A tornado in southern Illinois obliterated half the community of Allendale, injuring 50 people and causing more than five million dollars in damage. Thunderstorm winds gusting higher than 100 mph caused 10 million dollars damage at Franklin, Ky.

Weather Trivia

On average, how many hurricanes hit the U.S. coastline?
Answer: Approximately five over a three year period.
www.WhatsOurWeather.com

StarWatch By Gary Becker - Mercury and Venus Tango in the Evening Sky

The first full week of the New Year begins January 4, with a full moon in the ENE, two bright planets low in the SW, not including Mars and Neptune, and a comet that has suddenly brightened and is headed rapidly northward from its debut in the Southern Hemisphere. That's not a bad opening to what was already shaping up to be a good year. See last week's StarWatch at astronomy.org. Because the bright moon will be lighting up the evening sky for a good part of this week, and Comet Lovejoy, C/2014 Q2, is just becoming visible to the unaided eye under a dark sky, Mercury and brilliant Venus get first billing. At week's start they are about six degrees above the southwestern horizon, 30 minutes after sundown and only 2-1/2 degrees apart, a very comfortable fit in binoculars. Use binoculars to help spot fainter Mercury in bright twilight. The main key for success is finding a nearly perfect SW horizon, one that is not obscured by trees, buildings, or possessing bright streetlamps. Oftentimes highrise apartments with good western exposures, even in urban locales, are excellent settings for these types of observations. By week's end, January 10, Mercury and Venus have moved to their closest distance, just over one moon diameter apart, which is now a comfortable fit in virtually any telescope at low to medium magnifications. In addition, Mercury and Venus will have gained three more degrees in altitude, and this slow climb will continue throughout the following week. By January 17 the pair are once again separated by 2-1/2 degrees, but are now 10 degrees above the horizon in the SW, 30 minutes after sundown. A thin waxing crescent moon accents the Mercury-Venus scene on January 21 and is near Mars the following evening. Mars and Neptune (invisible) are above and left of Mercury and Venus during this entire apparition. A map can be found online at astronomy.org in "this week's StarWatch." www.astronomy.org

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is the only Central American country that doesn't have a coastline on the Pacific?
2. **LANGUAGE:** What does the Latin phrase "in media res" mean?
3. **MOVIES:** What movie featured the line, "The point is, ladies and gentleman, that greed - for lack of a better word -- is good"?
4. **AD SLOGANS:** What American manufacturing company once used the slogan "Quality is job one" to sell its products?
5. **MUSIC:** What does it mean to play notes in a "staccato" style?
6. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** What was the Secret Service's code name for Ronald Reagan?
7. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** How many official languages does the United Nations have?
8. **MYTHOLOGY:** Who were the Norns in Norse mythology?
9. **TELEVISION:** What television sitcom featured parents who were named Al and Peggy?
10. **MEDICAL TERMS:** What is the common name for monochromatism?

Answers: 1. Belize; 2. In the midst of things; 3. "Wall Street" (Michael Douglas); 4. Ford Motor Co.; 5. Abruptly or in a disjointed manner; 6. Rawhide; 7. Six (English, Arabic, Spanish, Chinese, French and Russian); 8. Female beings who rule the destiny of gods and men; 9. "Married With Children"; 10. Complete color blindness. (c) 2015 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Jan. 23, 1775, London merchants petition Parliament for relief from the financial hardship put upon them by the curtailment of trade with the North American colonies. Most critical to the merchants' concerns were the 2 million pounds sterling in outstanding debts owed to them.
- On Jan. 19, 1915, during World War I, Britain suffers its first casualties from an air attack when two German zeppelins drop bombs on Great Yarmouth and King's Lynn on the eastern coast of England.
- On Jan. 20, 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt is inaugurated for the second time as president. The Constitution had originally set March 4 as the presidential inauguration date to allow the winner time to travel to the nation's capital.
- On Jan. 25, 1949, the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences holds its first annual awards ceremony in Los Angeles. The now-famous award statuette "Emmy" was a feminized version of "immy," the shorthand term for the image orthicon tube that was used in TV cameras until the 1960s.
- On Jan. 24, 1956, Look magazine publishes the confessions of J.W. Milam and Roy Bryant, two white men from Mississippi who were acquitted in the 1955 kidnapping and murder of black teenager Emmett Till. In August 1955, on a visit to relatives, the 14-year-old Till had allegedly whistled at a white woman who ran a store.
- On Jan. 21, 1977, President Jimmy Carter grants an unconditional pardon to hundreds of thousands of men who evaded the draft during the Vietnam War. Some 100,000 young Americans went abroad, with 90 percent going to Canada. The Canadian government had instructed border guards not to ask too many questions.
- On Jan. 22, 1981, the final portrait of John Lennon and wife, Yoko, appears on the cover of Rolling Stone. The photo, taken 12 hours before Lennon was assassinated, shows a naked Lennon curled up in a fetal embrace with a fully clothed Yoko. Photographer Annie Liebowitz had been told by a Rolling Stone editor, "Please get me some pictures without [Yoko]."

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Super Crossword

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Japanese verse</p> <p>6 Milky white gem</p> <p>10 Memo opening</p> <p>14 "Eight Is Enough" actor Willie</p> <p>19 Game show announcer Johnny</p> <p>20 Novelist Victor</p> <p>21 Have a bawl</p> <p>22 Freshly firm</p> <p>23 Comedy that should have starred W.C. Fields?</p> <p>26 Big town, in Italian</p> <p>27 Sorority "T"</p> <p>28 With 103-Down, parked it, so to speak</p> <p>29 Televises</p> <p>30 Ejection</p> <p>31 Modus —</p> <p>33 Novel that should have been written by T.S. Eliot?</p> <p>35 Hosp. parts</p> <p>36 Some pizzas</p> <p>38 Purge</p> <p>39 Romantic comedy that should have starred B.D. Wong?</p> | <p>43 Épée, say</p> <p>45 Ethyl ender</p> <p>46 "Sprechen — Deutsch?"</p> <p>47 "Very funny!"</p> <p>50 Yes, in Ypres</p> <p>51 Tree juices</p> <p>55 Harpoon, e.g.</p> <p>57 Off- — wall</p> <p>59 Drama that should have starred E.G. Marshall?</p> <p>62 Muscular power</p> <p>64 Calgary's province</p> <p>67 Roof tiles</p> <p>68 City in Italy or California</p> <p>69 Song that should have been sung by B.B. King?</p> <p>72 Roasting rod</p> <p>73 Baseball game part</p> <p>75 Catches slyly</p> <p>76 See 70-Down</p> <p>78 Pamphlet that should have been written by C.S. Lewis?</p> <p>81 Pull sharply</p> <p>83 Kitten sound</p> <p>84 Lamb raisers</p> <p>85 Gorged on</p> | <p>86 Golfing unit</p> <p>89 Depot abbr.</p> <p>91 José's "day"</p> <p>92 Nerd's kin</p> <p>94 Song that should have been sung by B.J. Thomas?</p> <p>97 Most hip</p> <p>101 St. Francis' birthplace</p> <p>104 Comp —</p> <p>105 Memoir that should have been written by A.A. Milne?</p> <p>107 Bible book after Ezra</p> <p>112 Soprano Nilsson</p> <p>113 Michael of "Superbad"</p> <p>114 Ex-veep Stevenson</p> <p>115 Raptors' org.</p> <p>116 Some Afrikaners</p> <p>117 Piece that should have been composed by J.S. Bach?</p> <p>120 Atlas closeup</p> <p>121 Tehran's land</p> <p>122 Meadows</p> <p>123 In good pitch</p> <p>124 Twisty turns</p> | <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Instructional book</p> <p>2 Take — of faith</p> <p>3 Give credit where credit —</p> <p>4 Walloped in a boxing ring</p> <p>5 One-piece bodysuits</p> <p>6 George Burns film</p> <p>7 Mischievous</p> <p>8 Taj Mahal locale</p> <p>9 Mauna —</p> <p>10 Spinning</p> <p>11 Female futurist</p> <p>12 Short-winded</p> <p>13 Photo —</p> <p>14 Impeached</p> <p>15 Defunct record label</p> <p>16 Glove's kin</p> <p>17 Acid-alcohol compounds</p> <p>18 Not dense</p> <p>24 Stoppage of a plaintiff's legal action</p> <p>25 Satirist Mort</p> <p>30 Well drilled</p> <p>32 Bro., for one</p> <p>33 Writer Janowitz</p> <p>34 Scrub clean</p> <p>37 — -jongg</p> <p>39 Mrs. Truman</p> <p>40 Thus far</p> <p>41 Morgan Freeman film</p> <p>42 Post-op program</p> <p>44 Affliction</p> <p>48 Chamomile drink, maybe</p> <p>49 Temple table</p> <p>51 Bite quickly</p> <p>52 Way of thinking</p> <p>53 A South African capital</p> <p>54 Pt. of TBS</p> <p>56 Makes hazy</p> <p>58 Em lead-in</p> <p>60 Poet Angelou</p> <p>61 Too</p> <p>63 Big tippler</p> <p>65 "Muy —" (Spanish for "very good")</p> <p>66 Teeny-tiny</p> <p>70 With 76-Across, choose not to take part in</p> <p>71 Customary</p> <p>73 Driving peril</p> <p>74 Chews on</p> <p>77 Tarkenton of football</p> <p>79 Nixes a dele</p> <p>80 Wide shoe width</p> <p>82 "The Firm" novelist John</p> <p>87 Hitters' stats</p> <p>88 Put down, to P. Diddy</p> <p>90 Sales slips</p> <p>92 Takes off a roster</p> <p>93 Wages before overtime</p> <p>95 Lohan of film</p> <p>96 Funny Carrey</p> <p>97 Hack driver</p> <p>98 Edible bulbs</p> <p>99 Cruel woman</p> <p>100 Stowe's slave owner Simon</p> <p>102 Sacred place</p> <p>103 See 28-Across</p> <p>106 Infiniti rival</p> <p>108 "Family Ties" mom</p> <p>109 Hole- —</p> <p>110 "Li'l —"</p> <p>111 "The Creation" composer</p> <p>114 District</p> <p>117 Lively dance</p> <p>118 Pixieish sort</p> <p>119 Crude house</p> |
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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was feminist and social activist Gloria Steinem who made the following sage observation: "Logic is in the eye of the logician."
 - Some historians claim that Moses had a stutter.
 - If you're like the average American, your vocabulary consists of roughly 45,000 words.
 - Despite the sound of the word, those who suffer from amusia do not have any impairment of their sense of humor; rather, they're tone deaf -- medically unable to hear or accurately reproduce relative pitch.
 - When the wildly successful 1965 film "The Sound of Music" was released in South Korea, one theater owner felt that the movie was too long. He took it upon himself to remedy the situation -- by cutting out all the musical numbers.
 - If you're planning a trip to the Canadian province of New Brunswick, you might want to include a stop to see the Reversing Falls of St. John. While the St. John River flows into the Bay of Fundy at low tide, high tide in the bay is so extreme that it causes the water to reverse itself and flow from the bay back into the river.
 - It's been reported that famed chef Julia Child loved to eat corn chips with peanut butter.
 - You might be surprised to learn that out of the 362 episodes of "Alfred Hitchcock Presents" that were produced over the course of a decade, Hitchcock himself directed only 20.
 - Those who study such things say that the fastest-growing sport among high-school students in Minnesota is trap shooting.
- ***
- Thought for the Day: "These are bagpipes. I understand the inventor of the bagpipes was inspired when he saw a man carrying an indignant, asthmatic pig under his arm. Unfortunately, the man-made sound never equaled the purity of the sound achieved by the pig." -- Alfred Hitchcock
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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: R equals H

CYKZAVY RLV F-CUJYV QUF
 NZKOYM AN UJ FRY FUN VRYES,
 FRY SAJJH CAFKRYG ELOYM FU
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Date: December 22, 2014
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Grand Rapids, Mich. 49508
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Ann M. Van Doeselaar
c/o the Law Office of
H. James Telman
2140 44th Street SE, Ste. 201
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49508
(616) 281-7390

**State of Michigan
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County of Alcona
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File No. 14-5411 DE
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Date of birth: March 31, 1953
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Date: December 29, 2014
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Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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Mortgage sale: Default having been made in the conditions of certain mortgage made by Daniel Alan Good, a single man, and Rajeanna Josephine Ayers, a single woman, of 4669 E. Cedar Lake Road, Greenbush, Mich. 48738 to the United States of America, acting through Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture, with its office being located at 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, Mo. 63120, the mortgage, the mortgage being dated July 20, 2010 and recorded August 3, 2010 in Liber 472, pages 516 - 521 (Instrument No. 20100002389) in Alcona County records, and such mortgage being given to secure promissory note payable to the government, and by reason of such default the mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such mortgage due and payable forthwith. On which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of December 17, 2014, for principal, interest and other charges, the sum of one hundred nine thousand four hundred thirty-two and 31/100 (\$109,432.31) dollars, and

no proceedings having been instituted at law or equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and in pursuance of the statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the west entrance of county courthouse at 1065th Street, City of Harrisville, county of Alcona, Michigan, that being the place of holding the circuit court in and for said county, on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015, at 10 a.m., local time.

Said premises will be sold to pay the amount due as aforesaid on the mortgage together with 4.625 percent interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale. Which said premises described in said mortgage are situated in the state of Michigan, county of Alcona, and are described as: Lots 520, 521 and the north one-half (1/2) of Lot 519, Huron-Cedar Lakes Subdivision No. 5, as per plat

thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 155 of Alcona County records. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption period shall expire thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

According to MCL §600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, 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. For further information with regard to this foreclosure, contact USDA - Rural Development, Centralized Servicing Center, Foreclosure Centralization Initiative, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, Mo. 63120, telephone (800) 349-5097 ext. 4500.

Dated: December 17, 2014
 United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee Michael I. Conlon (P43954) Running, Wise, Ford, P.L.C. 326 E. State Street, P.O. Box 686, Traverse City, Mich. 49685-0686. 12-17, 12-24, 12-31, 1-7

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

Attention purchasers: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made on the 23rd day of February, 2010 by Norman A. Apsey and Sherri M. Apsey, husband and wife, of 1690 Sharboneau Road, Lincoln, Mich. 48742, as mortgagee to Sharon Endicott, a married woman, of 6077 N. Pine Street, Hubbard Lake, Mich. 49747. Said mortgage given by the mortgagors and recorded on the 24th day of February, 2010 in the office of the register of deeds for Alcona County, Michigan in Liber 468, pages 1,116-1,118 inclusive and on which mortgage there is a claim to be due and owing on the date of this notice the sum of sixty-two thousand nineteen and 10/100 dollars (\$62,019.10) plus interest, costs and attorney fees incurred from August 23, 2013 as provided by said mortgage note.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises or some part of them at a public vendue at the west entrance to the Alcona County Courthouse in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. on February 11, 2015.

Said premises are situated in the township of Hawes, county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

The west five (5) acres of the north half (N-1/2) of the south half (S-1/2) of the northwest quarter (NW-1/4) of the southeast quarter (SE-1/4) of Section 27, T27N, R8E.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948 CL 600.3241 (a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated this 10th day of December 2014.

For more information, please call David H. Cook Attorney for Mortgagee 5466 M-72, P.O. Box 585 Harrisville, Michigan 48740 (989) 724-5155 12-17, 12-24, 12-31, 1-7, 2015

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jason Livingston and Linda Livingston, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Wilimington Finance, Inc. its successors and assigns, mortgagee, dated April 13, 2006, and recorded on April 25, 2006 in Liber 430 on page 251, and assigned by said mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association as successor by merger of U.S. Bank National Association ND 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 one hundred six thousand seven hundred forty-nine and 39/100 dollars (\$106,749.39).

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 28, 2015.

Said premises are situated in township of Hawes, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the SE corner of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 28, T27N, R8E, thence north 18 rods; thence west 19 rods; thence south 18 rods; thence east 19 rods to point of beginning. Subject to an easement over the above described property for ingress, egress and utility purposes over an existing roadway which commences off of Ritchie Road and continues in a northerly direction to other property owned by the grantor. Said roadway is approximately 12 feet in width to benefit the balance of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 that is retained by the grantor, said easement will be bind-

ing upon the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties.

Being the same premises conveyed to Jason Livingston and Linda Livingston from Helen Marentette, a single woman by quit claim deed dated September 10, 2002 and recorded January 16, 2003 as instrument of book/page no. 375-898 of the Alcona County Clerk's Office.

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: December 31, 2014

For more information, please call: (248) 593-1304 Trott Law, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422 File No. 426006F03 12-31, 1-7, 1-14, 1-21, 2015

Mortgage Sale

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

Notice is hereby given that default has occurred in a mortgage given by Dorothy A. Mallard and Barbara J. Robarge to the United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture. The mortgage is dated May 4, 2000 and was recorded on May 4, 2000 in Liber 340 on pages 374 to 379 of the Alcona County records. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now ninety-two thousand six hundred twenty-four and 88/100 (\$92,624.88) dollars.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on February 11, 2015 at 10 a.m. local time, at the west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan which is the location of the Alcona County circuit court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, including interest at the rate of 7.375 percent per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in Millen Township, Alcona County, Michigan and is more specifically described

in the mortgage as: Part of the north 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Township 26 North, Range 7 East, described as commencing at the northeast corner of said north 1/2 of the southwest 1/4; thence south 10 rods; thence west 16 rods; thence north 10 rods; thence east 16 rods to the point of beginning.

The redemption period will expire one (1) month from the date of the sale unless a notice is received pursuant to MCL 600.3241a (c) in which case the redemption period will expire six (6) months from the date of the sale. Please be advised that under MCL 600.3278, if the property is actually sold at a foreclosure sale pursuant to the procedures provided in MCL 600.3200 et. seq., as is currently anticipated by this notice of mortgage sale, then in such event, the borrowers will be responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: December 31, 2014

United States of America, acting through the Rural Development Agency F/K/A the Rural Housing Service of the United States Department of Agriculture Prepared by: John R. Tucker, Esq. P-37348 Winegarden, Haley, Lindholm & Robertson, P.L.C. G-9460 S. Saginaw Street, Suite A Grand Blanc, Mich. 48439 (810) 767-3600 12-31, 1-7, 1-14, 1-21, 1-28, 2015

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. is attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at (248) 539-7400 if you are in active military duty.

Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sherry L. Freel, an unmarried woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, mortgagee, dated January 3, 2014, and recorded on January 6, 2014, in Liber 504, on page 649, and assigned by said mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as assigned, Alcona County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of sixty-one thousand ninety-five dollars and fifty-

six cents (\$61,095.56), including interest at 4.500 percent per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Michigan at 10 a.m. o'clock, on February 4, 2015. Said premises are located in Alcona County, Michigan and are described as: Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Alkan Acres Subdivision, as found in Liber 2 of Plats, pages 79-80, Alcona County records. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemp-

tion period shall be one month from the date of such sale, or as to MCL 600.3241a only, 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later.

If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, Mich. 48335 JPMC.002914 USDA 1-7, 1-14, 1-21, 1-28

**USDA Rural Housing Service
Foreclosure Sale**

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Minimum Bid: \$78,900
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**OFFER MUST BE IN FORM OF CERTIFIED CHECK
THE DAY OF THE SALE**

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.
3 bedroom, 2 Bath, 1 Story
This description is believed to be correct to
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DATE & TIME OF SALE:
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PLACE OF SALE:
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