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Alcona County couple's mission work helps Haitians with financial independence and spiritual nurturing

By Mary Weber
Staff writer

"Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime."

~ Maimonides

For the last two decades giving a hand up, not a hand out, has been what one Alcona County couple has diligently worked for by helping the oppressed people of Haiti.

Dawn and John Ashford, born and raised in Alcona County, went on their first mission trip to Haiti in 1998. They fell in love with the people, especially the children.

"The children are very small for their age. Little girls had panties on, but often little boys just had on large T-shirts. They would make little trucks out of tin cans and cut wheels out of the bottoms of worn Flip Flop sandals. They played with bicycle rims they would push along, but they were very happy and content. They love to sing," Dawn said.

The Ashfords said their first visit was for a week, but they knew, somehow, they would go back. Despite overwhelming demands at home including raising two almost adult teenagers and an eight year old, having gravely ill parents and Dawn still finishing her nursing degree, they did go back the next year. They took their eight year old with them and lived in Haiti for several months.

They have visited for a few weeks to several months at a time every year since.

With each visit they brought things with them. John, a building contractor, brought building tools. Dawn brought a bit of medical equipment and supplies, but with each visit the Ashfords said they came back with so much more spiritually than they brought.

"I thought we're Americans and we have so much to offer, but really we had so much to learn. There were many times we were very humbled by the people there, they taught us more than we have given them. When we took our young son, he just thrived there, he loved the people too. It's their acceptance of what they have, they taught me we all need to plan for the future, but don't let it consume you and get in the way of living," Dawn said.

Haiti is a mountainous land located in Hispaniola,

the second largest island of the West Indies in the Caribbean Sea. Due to its location the country is prone to earthquakes and hurricanes and its oppression with political upheaval setbacks have been felt by its people for generations.

On their first visit the Ashfords met Emmanuel Charles, who translated for them. They knew instantly he was a great minister of God's word and would, someday, help the people of Haiti and their mission of handing up, not out.

Emmanuel's mother died when he was young and when his father took another woman she was overwhelmed at having to feed him and all of his siblings. There simply was not enough food to go around. Eventually his father drove him away with a machete. He was left at age seven to live off the streets.

When he was nine he was taken in by the founders of Mission Possible and sent to school, learned English and

became a translator.

"When we met him he was 28, married with three children. His heart then was to minister and feed the people both physically and spiritually and it was at that time the foundation of Effort Church was being laid," Dawn said.

Effort Church began with just a few men from Montrouis gathering together at 4 a.m. for prayer on a vacant piece of property behind the home of Emmanuel Charles, who became Pastor Emmanuel. Their church was built of brush arbor and was easily blown away by hurricane winds, so its first project was to build a sturdy church and school. The school educates children who cannot afford tuition to attend public school. There are approximately 40 elementary students now in attendance at Effort Church School.

During their mission trips the Ashfords realized that their true mission was to find a way to help the Haitian



John and Dawn Ashford of Harrisville have spent 20 years visiting and living in Montrouis, Haiti to help give a hand up through mission work and zero interest revolving business loans. Photo by Mary Weber.

people without giving handouts. "The handouts caused dependency and resentment and we were guilty of causing that dependency," Dawn said. "We would take shoes for the school children but made very sure the shoes were not given to them by our hand to avoid dependency. Pastor Emmanuel oversees the shoes and gives them out as needed."

"I just knew there had to be a better way, there had to be something we could do to come along beside them with a hand up," Dawn said.

Through research she found the Farmers International Organization in Minnesota. This group was working a revolving loan program

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Exhibit explores the innovation, influence of Upper Peninsula outdoorsman and inventor

Hundreds of thousands of deer hunters took to the Michigan woods this fall, many decked out in scent-control clothing and equipped with a smartphone, GPS unit and other gadgets.

For these modern hunters, it's likely hard to imagine a time when outdoor gear meant simple survival necessities like a reliable compass, a well-designed knife, a safety axe or waterproof matchbox.

The Michigan Historical Museum in Lansing, Mich. will take visitors on a trip back to that time with its new exhibit, "Inventing the Outdoors" — a look at an Upper Peninsula inventor and the many outdoor products he imagined, perfected and manufactured in Michigan.

Webster Lansing Marble was a surveyor and timber cruiser who spent 20 years working in Michigan forests. Feeling the equipment available at the time (in the late 19th century) didn't meet his needs, Marble began to experiment with ways to make improvements.

He started manufacturing outdoor tools in a workshop behind his home in Gladstone, Mich., and by 1898 Marble designed, prototyped and patented his first idea, the Safety Axe. Over the next 30 years, Marble stayed hard at work, inventing new products and expanding his business, the Marble Arms and Manufacturing Co.

Before long, his Michigan-made products were known around the world, outfitting millions of hunters, anglers, campers and hikers. Marble's

goods were even used on Teddy Roosevelt's hunting trips, Robert Peary's expeditions and Charles Lindbergh's flights.

"Marble's life's work and his company's impact — more than 60 patents and hundreds of innovative outdoor products — would be notable in and of themselves," said Dennis Pace, Michigan History Foundation board member and guest curator for the Marble exhibit. "It becomes even more important when viewed through the lens of changing attitudes toward the outdoors during this historic period as America shifted from a rural to an urban society."

Many of the exhibit's artifacts come from a collection of Marble's products and materials that Pace donated to the museum.

"Marble built a company, a company with global reach and impact, from Gladstone, Michigan. He did this with local, rather than imported, talent," Pace said. "He firmly believed that men and women who were active hunters, anglers and campers them-

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A waterproof pocket compass, with an unbreakable crystal, is among the Marble items showcased in the Michigan Historical Museum "Inventing the Outdoors" exhibit. Photo courtesy of Michigan DNR.

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Obituary

Evelyn J. Gartner

Evelyn J. Gartner, 96, of Greenbush, formerly of Oxford, Mich., died on Monday, Dec. 14, 2015 at home.

She was born on June 12, 1919 to Mont and Merle Oliver in Upland, Ind.

She enjoyed working as an office manager for several years. She also enjoyed crafts, sewing and activities as a member of the Oscoda Methodist Church.

Mrs. Gartner is survived by two daughters, Katherine Nelson and Sarah (David) Clark; one son, Robert Gartner; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one sister Justine (John) Krsul; three nieces and one nephew.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Gartner.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Jan. 9 at noon, at the Oscoda United Methodist Church. Interment will take place in the Acacia Park Cemetery, Beverly Hills, Mich. Memorial contributions may be made to the Oscoda Methodist Church.

Police Report

The Michigan State Police, Alpena post, is requesting the public's assistance in the identification of at least three suspects who stole a snowplow from the Meijer's store parking lot on Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2015 at 6:35 p.m.

The snowplow, part of the Meijer's snow removal crew, had been removed from the plow truck due to a mechanical problem and left in the parking lot. Thieves loaded the plow into the bed of a dark colored pickup truck and then left the area.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone who has information regarding this incident is asked to contact Trooper Spence Fletcher at the MSP Alpena Post (989) 354-4101.

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 6

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, and bedding will be available.

Sing a-long to the oldies with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Greenbush Senior Center, 5039 Campbell Street. Call, (989) 736-8879 for details.

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.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

I worked 32 years with state and federal law enforcement. I did not like threats then. I do not like threats now.

Apparently, one of your readers disagreed with my opinion letter this newspaper published November 18, 2015. The article was torn (fingerprints?) from said edition and mailed to my home in a stamped, sealed envelope (DNA?). The return address written on the envelope read, "Secret Service Northeast Mich. Division, Lincoln, MI." (attempt to impersonate U.S. Secret Service?).

A letter addressed to me was also enclosed. In addition to taking umbrage with the contents of my above referenced letter to the editor, your reader wrote that I "should get a physical" from my MD because "haters like [me] don't live that long." (Threat? Violation of 18 U.S.C. 876 - mailing threatening communications?).

Your reader signed his/her letter to me as being from "Alcona Fan Club."

Law enforcement has been apprised.

Dennis A. Roy
 Oscoda

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.

My Brother's Hope will be accepting donations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 76 North Barlow Road (across from the high school). For more information, call (989) 335-3541.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7

Alcona retirees will meet for a potluck lunch at noon at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Bring a dish to pass. Everyone is welcome.

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Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2015-2016

Date	Temperature (F°)		Water Content	Miles Per Hour		
	High	Low		Av. Wind Speed	High Speed	Dominant Direction
	Dec. 27	37		25	0.02	6.7
Dec. 28	31	22	0.27	20.4	13	E
Dec. 29	36	29	0.30	13.2	9	NNE
Dec. 30	32	28	0.01	0.2	29	NW
Dec. 31	31	26	0.00	1.9	40	NW
Jan. 1	29	20	0.00	2.6	14	WSW
Jan. 2	34	23	0.00	2.5	30	SW

Precipitation Summary (Inches)			
	Water Content	Snow Fall	Normal Water Content
Weekly Total	0.60	9.5	0.42
Month of December	1.87	9.5	1.83
January to Date	0.00	0.00	0.12
Year/Season to Date	00.00	18.0	0.12

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



Calendar of Events



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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.

Free Range Crafts, something new for crafters, will meet from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Bring in your crafts in progress, ideas, and questions to share with others. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

TOPS MI 1502 Mikado meets at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-30, Mikado. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 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.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8

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

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

A fish fry will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at Maria Hall behind St. Anne Catholic Church in Harrisville. Take-out available.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9

The Alcona Tool Cats will host the 2016 First Robotics Kickoff Celebration beginning at 9 a.m. at Alcona High School. Members of the robotics team will showcase their 2015 robot, competitions and team successes. There will be snacks, information and a chance to meet the students.

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) 724-5077 or (989) 724-6546.

A snowmobile safety class will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Robert J. Parks Library in Oscoda. This free class is open to youth under the age of 16, but any youth under the age of 11 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Space and class materials are limited. To register, call David Anson at (989) 739-4711.

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 (989) 335-3541.

My Brother's Hope Potluck Cafe will be serving a meal from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the United Methodist Church, 217 North State Street (US-23) in Harrisville. For more info., call (989) 335-3541.

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

Play pinochle at 1 p.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, 5039 Campbell Road. Everyone is invited.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

The Alcona County Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 2 p.m. at Jamieson Nursing Home, 790 South US-23, Harrisville. Contact, Jennifer Hoppe at (989) 358-4605 or e-mail hoppej@nemcsa.org for details.

The Sunrise Side Carving Club will meet at 7 p.m. at the AuSable-Oscoda Senior Center, 653 State Street, Oscoda. Anyone interested in wood carving is invited to attend.

Sing a-long to the oldies with Roseanne at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Call, (989) 736-8879 for details.

Euchre players will meet at 1:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street.

Exercise indoors, walk upstairs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center, 207 Church Street. Treadmill and exercise bike also available.

The AuSable Valley Audubon will meet at 1 p.m. at Tawas Community Center located on Newman Street in East Tawas. Guest speaker will be Chuck Allen, a park and recreation supervisor from Tawas Point State Park. For more information, contact Ruth Golm at (989) 724-5679.

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

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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, Mikado. For more information, call (989) 335-3541.

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Robotics Celebration

On Saturday, Jan. 9 the Alcona Tool Cats will be hosting a kickoff celebration at the Alcona High School auditorium. The festivities will begin at 9 a.m. when members of the robotics team will showcase the 2015 robot, competitions, and team successes. There will be snacks, information, and a chance to meet the students. At 10 a.m. attendees and members of the robotics team will convene in the auditorium for the NASA kickoff broadcast. At this time, the new 2016 game and playing field are unveiled and teams receive information about their Kick-off Kit made up of donated items and components worth tens of thousands of dollars – and only limited instructions.

Following the kickoff broadcast, there will be a short presentation about the team, what makes it unique,

and how individuals and businesses could become a sponsor or a mentor. Anyone who may be wondering what First Robotics is all about this is the when team members will be available to answer any questions about the club, robot, and First Robotics.

Senior Menu

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

• Monday, Jan. 11—Chili dog on a bun, macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, tropical fruit and a rice krispy treat.

• Tuesday, Jan. 12—Bourbon chicken breast, rice pilaf, peas, tossed salad, and mixed fruit.

• Wednesday, Jan. 13—Fish almondine, baked potato, broccoli, and mandarin oranges.

• Thursday, Jan. 14—Pepper steak, brown rice, mixed vegetables, and pineapple.

• Friday, Jan. 15—Smothered chicken breast, buttered noodles, stewed tomatoes, tossed salad, and peaches.

(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)

Super Crossword

Answers

ETAS	SNARE	TANGLE	KOS
NEIL	LOSES	EMINEM	AVA
CARRIE	CHAPMAN	CATT	HID
ORB	SWAY	APE	RASLED
DIARIST	AEROSOL	AIDE	
ELSE	CHRISTINE	TAYLOR	
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Healthy Weight Program

With more than half of the U.S. population considered at an unhealthy weight, My Way to Wellness works toward getting participants on track with living a wholesome lifestyle to reach a healthy weight. This program will be offered through Michigan State University (MSU) Extension via an online course

covering a large range of topics. Through the online course, participants will work towards setting goals as a key component to achieve where they want to be. Along with personal goal setting, other topic areas include nutritional needs and physical activity, building a healthy MyPlate, energy – a balancing act, picking the best portions, healthy habits for a healthy life and others.

Although a healthy lifestyle is important for those of any age, making positive choices in terms of health and fitness as adults is crucial in determining many factors. Eating well reduces the risk of chronic disease, promotes energy and ultimately affects an individual's weight and how they feel. Because the My Way to Wellness course is offered online, it is easy to accommodate to any schedule. Participants can complete the program at ease in the comfort of their own home or personal setting.

My Way to Wellness is being offered free of charge to Bridge card holders and costs only \$10 for those without a Bridge card.

The online course includes pre and post results on behavioral patterns with 10 self-paced modules that include physical activity and food safety demonstration videos.

To register for My Way to Wellness, visit http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/my_way_to_wellness to be directed to the online registration form. For more information on My Way to Wellness, health and nutrition or other classes offered through MSU Extension, contact MSU Extension at 989-724-6478 or email stgeorg8@msu.edu. To find your nearest MSU Extension office, visit www.msue.msu.edu.

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MSU Extension offers series for early childhood education training

An online training series for child care providers and parents is being provided by the MI Stronger Family early childhood education staff of Michigan State University Extension (MSUE). Participants will be able to learn about a variety of topics related to early childhood development. The four webinars, dubbed "Rest Time Refreshers," are:

- **Discipline and children:** Discipline is a difficult topic for both parents and early childhood providers. How does one know what helps and what hurts? Learn about techniques that focus on positive discipline that can help create a safe and fun environment while helping children develop self-control and minimize behavior problems. This session takes place January 12. To register, visit <http://events.anr.msu.edu/Jan16Discipline/>.

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- **What children need to know to start school:** Learn more about what teachers want children to know to start school and how to best support early learning. This session takes place February 9. To register, visit <http://events.anr.msu.edu/>.

- **Mindfulness for children:** Techniques of mindful awareness can help children learn to pay closer attention to their thoughts, feelings and emotions and reduce stress and anxiety to enhance their well being. This session takes place March 8. To register, visit <http://events.anr.msu.edu/RTRMindfulnessMAR16/>.

- **Finding a balance:** Technology is everywhere — smart phones, tablets, computer

games and websites, and many are targeted at young children. Learn how to find balance between integrating technology and preparing young children to operate in the high-tech world and ensuring developmentally appropriate practices. This session takes place April 12. To register, visit <http://events.anr.msu.edu/RTRTechnologyAPR16/>.

Each hour-long webinar starts at 1 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. All sessions will last 45 minutes, with 15 minutes for a question-and-answer period. Online participants who actively take part will receive a certificate of completion after each training session. The cost for each workshop is \$5.

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For the Week of December 28, 2015 - January 3, 2016

76 complaints were handled with the following results: 1 Arrests; 1 Operating While Intoxicated.

Complaint Statistics

Car/Deer Accidents	4	Property Damage Accident	7
Message/Well Being Check	5	Miscellaneous	1
Dog/Animal Complaint	6	Traffic	20
Malicious Destr. of Property	10	Alarm	3
Domestic	1	911 Hang Up	1
Patrol Check	1	Civil	1
Suicidal Person	1	Criminal Sexual Conduct	1
Operate Under Infl. of Drugs	1	Warrant Arrest	1
Medical	2	Personal Injury Accident	1
Drive While Lic. Suspended	1	Larceny	1
Medicine Disposal	1	Open Door	1
Lost/Found Property	1	Fire	1
Suspicious Events	3	Operating While Intoxicated	1

Complaints taken by City, Township or Village

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Greenbush	8	Gustin	3	Harrisville	12
Hawes	4	Haynes	10	Mikado	3
Millen	5	Mitchell	5		
City of Harrisville	3	Village of Lincoln	4		



Bowling

Sportsman December 17

Flour Power	120.5	41.5
AuSable Inn	98	64
Cole's Appl.	96.5	65.5
Brownlee Lake	83.5	78.5
Phil's Barber	81.5	80.5
LLW Club	70	92
Home Town Fit.	61	101
We R Versatile	37	125
High game: Randy Morgan,	288.	
High series: Dave Glazar,	652.	
High handicap game: Larry Yingling,	295.	
High handicap series: Arnie Dellar,	774.	

Huron December 29

Back Alley Bar	20	7
Gary Oil	18	9
Lincoln Prec.	18	9
Frankless	9	18
Rob's Repair	9	18
AuSable River	7	20

High game and series: Roger Klukowski, 233 and 625.
High handicap game: Pat Gonyea, 272.
High handicap series: Gregg Cousineau, 740.

Wednesday Nite Women's December 30

Alcona Abstract	22	8
JB's Auto	21	9
Stoney Acres	15.5	14.5
Ark Plumbing	15.5	14.5
Lincoln Prec.	14.5	15.5
Back Alley Bar	14.5	15.5
Alcona Dredge	9	21
Alcona Tool	8	22

High game and series: Lynn Gibson, 237 and 663.
High handicap game: Theresa Kehoe, 253.
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selves, were best suited to produce the finest products in the world. Indeed, this proved to be the case.”

Marble’s designs for products including knives, compasses, matchboxes, axes and gun sights set the standard for the 20th-century outdoor goods market and are still influential today.

“Inventing the Outdoors” features a variety of these items, including Marble’s safety folding axes, many models of hunting knives, automatic fish gaffs and more.

“The artifacts that invariably draw the longest looks from visitors are Marble’s Game Getter guns,” Pace said. “These were over/under .22/44 ball (or 410 shell) pistols with folding stocks that incorporated a host of unique features into a light, packable weapon that was useful in the field as a small-

game gun, a waterfowl gun or a large-game gun.”

Unfortunately, these guns were deemed illegal by the Federal Firearms Act of 1935 and quickly faded into obscurity. “They remain beautiful and practical sporting guns that incorporate much of Webster’s product philosophy and creative genius,” Pace said.

Marble was an early inductee into the Sporting Goods Hall of Fame, based on items including his waterproof match safe (for decades, every soldier, hunter and Scout carried one), the safety folding axe and, perhaps most importantly, the Ideal Knife.

“Before Marble’s Ideal hit the market in 1900, most outdoorsmen used either flimsy kitchen-type knives or less-than-useful Bowie-type fighting knives,” Pace said. “Marble reimagined man’s oldest tool from the ground



Webster Lansing Marble followed in his father’s footsteps in his love for the outdoors, becoming an expert trapper, hunter and angler. His outdoors products have been appreciated for generations. Marble died in September of 1930.



(Above) The old gun assembly room at Marble Arms in Gladstone, Mich.



A Marble’s Game Getter gun (left) with a box of .44-caliber Winchester cartridges from the Marble display at the Michigan Historical Museum in Lansing.

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up, incorporating a host of design features that made it strong, practical for a variety of tasks, and beautiful to boot.”

In recognition of Marble’s contributions, the state senate recently adopted a resolution that declared November 15, 2015 — opening day of Michigan’s firearm deer hunting season — as Webster L. Marble Day. “Historians recognize Webster Marble was a genius as an inventor, manufacturer, marketer and one of the Upper Peninsula’s most successful business leaders — yet most people in our state are unaware of his pioneering achievements,” said state Sen. Tom Casper, of Escanaba, Mich. who

introduced the resolution. “Marble literally invented the American hunting knife, as well as the knife that all U.S. military blades would be patterned after for most of the 20th century.”

Today, Marble Arms still produces traditional and iron gun sights from a factory in Gladstone, Mich. The Marble legacy in the region has spawned a host of related companies, including Bark River Knife and Tool and Rapid River Knifeworks, both founded by former Marble Arms employees.

The Michigan Historical Museum exhibit also explores another aspect of the Marble

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- Less than \$32,000, your Social Security won't be taxed.

- Between \$32,000 and \$44,000, up to 50 percent of your Social Security benefits will be taxed.

- More than \$44,000, up to 85 percent of your benefits will be taxed.

If you're married and file a separate return, you probably will pay taxes on your benefits.

To limit potential taxes on your benefits, you'll need to be cautious when taking distributions from retirement accounts or other sources. In addition to triggering ordinary income tax, a distribution that significantly raises your gross income can bump the proportion of your Social Security benefits subject to taxes.

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In addition to the federal government, 13 states - Colorado, Connecticut, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Mon-

tana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont and West Virginia - tax Social Security benefits to some extent too. If you live in one of these states, check with your state tax agency for details.

For questions on taxable Social Security benefits call the IRS help line at (800) 829-1040, or visit an IRS Taxpayer Assistance Center (see www.irs.gov/localcontacts) where you can get face-to-face help.

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to give loans to people to start businesses.

Dawn took this concept to the Effort Church and Pastor Emmanus. "We wanted it to be their program, overseen by Haitians. It had to be something they were going to take ownership of. The revolving loan program's purpose is to bring a measure of financial independence for those involved, but equally important it is used as a tool for Effort Church for training and nurturing spiritual principals," Dawn said. She explained that they sit on a board with both American and Haitian people to help teach the program and keep it going.

Rules were established for the small interest free revolving loans to be issued. Borrowers must be held accountable and be willing to be monitored. They have to show a practical business plan, how their business would work and maintain itself. They need to be recommended by their pastor and be involved in their church and willing to tithe, so they are not always on the receiving end, and the loan had to be paid back so it could be used to help another business get started.

According to Dawn, spiritual nurturing included the family giving support of the business. In Haiti, it is typically the woman who works, but they are just starting to see men in the family helping their wives with their business. "They are beginning to get it," she said.

Over the past 10 years



Dawn Ashford with Pastor Emmanus' two daughters, Stacy and Kerby, preparing for the opening of a medical clinic. *Courtesy photo.*

there has been a number of hurricanes and a major earthquake in 2010. Each situation brought strain and struggles on the church congregation.

The Ashfords saw many ups and downs in the revolving loan program because of this, two farms which started with revolving loans were completely unusable after the earthquake. Despite it all, approximately \$30,000 dollars has gotten 14 businesses started and six have paid off their loan with another two very close.

which continue to contribute. Through this generosity they send about \$1,500 a month to help with school supplies and to feed the elementary school children a hot meal of rice and beans every day.

Repairs and on-going maintenance such as digging a new well; adding fencing around the perimeter of the church, which also secures the goats; adding a second story wall and stair railing; purchasing solar panels for a greater supply of electricity; steel lattice grilles for win-



John Ashford working with several men on the stairs to the second floor of the church. *Courtesy photo.*

The Ashfords said they were most excited about the church which is growing by leaps and bounds and they were happy about how they have used the revolving loan program as a tool.

There are other programs the church is also working on -- like the goat program. Dawn explained quite often goats are used as cash in Haiti. Also, there is a growing breadfruit program which looks very promising. Breadfruit ground into flour provides a gluten-free base for many food products.

The Ashfords said they could never have done any of this without the loving support of their parents and financial support from their community, their church and many other churches including some Amish parishes

dows to keep the church secure; and giving teachers of the school some compensation for their efforts -- these are just a few of the things people can contribute to.

The Ashfords said all contributions go directly to Effort Vision in Haiti and none are used to provide them with transportation to and from Haiti, which they have always paid for on their own.

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Arms story: The company's advertising efforts from 1900 to World War II.

Marble used every possible marketing technique, including many modern methods long before they became standard — celebrity endorsement, ad coding, promotional incentives through other companies, customization, and the selling of a dream as much as a product.

"Marble was not only chief innovation officer, but clearly chief marketing officer of his company," Pace said. "He invested heavily in advertising which, through its creative approach and innovative methods, helped make Marble a household name."

Michigan Historical Center Director Sandra Clark said, "Inventing the Outdoors' also takes a look at how we experience the outdoors, and the origins of our love for outdoor recreation, through the life and times of this remarkable inventor."

"When Webster Marble worked as a timber cruiser, the wilds of Michigan provided mainly resources to be extracted, but by the start of the last century, we began to see things differently, to man-

age them differently, and to promote them differently," Clark said. "That evolution has led to the ethic of 'leave no trace' camping, the wisdom of scientific game management and the marketing power of Pure Michigan campaigns that strike a nostalgic and emotional chord. It has influenced not only how we relate to the outdoors, but also how we position and promote ourselves to the world."

The exhibit includes interactive opportunities for visitors to get creative with activities such as building a lean-to, telling stories around a fire pit, giving shape to their ideas at a "makers" innovation table, and sharing their outdoor experiences through drawing or writing in a room where a screen shows outdoor images submitted to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' Instagram page.

On the second Saturday of every month, the Michigan Historical Museum will feature family-oriented activities related to innovation. Other exhibit-related programs in the works include a series of evening presentations this winter and next spring, spon-

sored by Dart Bank, that will explore outdoor-related topics including "Raising an Outdoor Child," "Dogs in the Great Outdoors" and "Foraging for Food in the Spring Woods."

Other programs will look at Webster Marble the business innovator, using his career to draw lessons for young and aspiring entrepreneurs. Stay tuned to www.michigan.gov/museum for more information about these programs as it becomes available.

"Inventing the Outdoors" will be open at the Michigan Historical Museum through September 11, 2016.

The Michigan Historical Center is part of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. It includes the Michigan Historical Museum, 10 regional museums, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve, and the Archives of Michigan. Learn more at www.michigan.gov/mhc.

The Michigan Historical Museum is located at 702 W. Kalamazoo Street in downtown Lansing, Mich. Information is available at www.michigan.gov/museum.



Match safes were among the items Webster Marble crafted at his Gladstone, Mich., company that were popular with hunters and others.

The Garden Bug "New Year" rose

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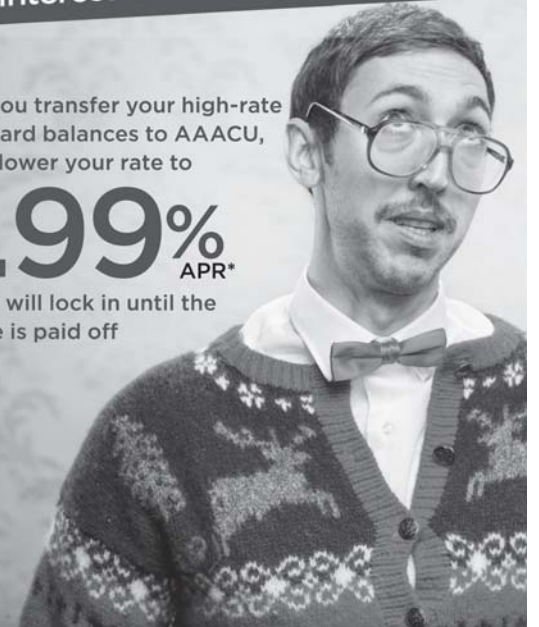
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Organization Notes



Harrisville Business Association

The meeting was called to order on Thursday, Dec. 10, 2015 at 6:04 p.m. Present: Ed Foster, Judy MacNeill, Judy Seabase, Karen Sanderson, Joan Dwyer, Louis and Ginger Campbell, Wayne Gauthier, Steve Arens, Steve and Ann Ashford, Ben Dietrich, KiAnn Kruttlin, Manny and Kim Pompa, Pat Bushey, Cheryl Peterson, Linda Drean, Victor Kahn, Becky Stoddard, Doug Cheek, Tony Borcsani, and John Boufford.

Cell phone petitions: The petitions regarding the need for better cell phone reception will be presented to the City of Harrisville by co-chairpersons Pat Bushey and Cheryl Peterson on Monday, Jan. 11 during the regular meeting which begins at 7 p.m. Any businesses with petitions are asked to turn them into Alcona Coffee or the Alcona County Review before 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 6. Peterson brought in cop-

ies of an article that appeared in the Alpena News regarding the lack of cell phone coverage in the City of Harrisville. Noted in the article was that this is a safety issue for 911 coverage. During a meeting with Peterson, Harrisville mayor John Dobis suggested business owners write a letter to the Harrisville City Council describing the issues they are having due to poor coverage. Peterson encouraged any business owner or manager experiencing problems or has witnessed customers with problems due to

poor cell reception is asked to write a letter - on business letterhead - describing the problems. These letters can be dropped off at the Alcona County Review or Alcona Coffee Company no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 8.

Discussion ensued regarding the difficulty individuals have in contacting Verizon and other cell phone carriers. Correspondence would have to come from the city. It was noted by L. Campbell that the water tower is already engineered to accept cell tower cables.

The Rural Redevelopment Communities (RRC) committee has met twice, to begin the process of working through the six chapter survey. This program through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) has information available online. The mayor has been given four copies to hand out to the council. The RRC committee will present to the council at its meeting in February and ask for a resolution to proceed with the process for Harrisville to become an RRC.

New Business: Several requests have come from individuals campaigning for public office to meet with the HBA. Discussion followed, and was tabled until the January HBA meeting.

Ann Eddinger will act as secretary and treasurer for the HBA. Meeting adjourned 7:04 p.m.

The next meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 14 at 6 p.m. at the Harrisville library. This meeting is open to business owners/managers in the Harrisville area.

River Aux Sables Chapter, DAR

The River Aux Sables Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution met at the First Baptist Church in Tawas to hear Rachel McCready, flag of the United States of America chairman, explain the meaning of the folds of the flag and some of the history.

Until the addition of the 50th star in 1954 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower, there was no standard of how many stripes of each color, star placement or actual configuration of the pattern on an American flag. Some of the original flags used in our country look completely different from the flag we fly today. Yet, they are all considered to be American flags.

At the end of the day at the last note of retreat at military bases or posts, the flag is lowered so that no part of it touches the ground out of respect for our country and the sacrifice our service people have made to keep it flying. The flag is formally folded into the 12 or 13 folds to make it a tricorner reminiscent of the tri corner hats worn by American patriots in the Revolutionary War.

The U.S. government has not assigned any specific meaning to the colors or the folds used in a flag, but groups like the American Legion, Boy Scouts of America, U.S. Air Force Academy and the National Flag Foundation have composed meanings to each fold and colors red, white and blue, such as valor, liberty and justice.

A flag given to a family member at the burial of a service person can never be unfolded and used. They can be donated in the name of the deceased soldier to the Great Lakes Military Cemetery in Holly, Mich. which will fly them beside the walkway into the cemetery in honor of those who had served their country.

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Black River News

December 30, 1915 - A happy and prosperous New Year.

Geo. LaPage came down from Larocque and spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Lalonde.

Alfred Derocher Jr., Chris Fountain and Wilfred Derocher returned from Cleveland Friday.

Mrs. Alfred Potvin is visiting friends in Rogers City.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gauthier spent Christmas with relatives here.

Alfred Simmons, Wellington Simons and Miss Josie Putman spent Christmas with relatives in Wilber.

Edw. Putman, Paul Gauthier and Wellington Simmons came down from Onaway and spent Christmas with relatives here.

The Christmas entertainments in the Listen and Sand Hill schools taught by Miss McClelland and Marontate, were excellent and there was a large attendance. The program in each school was ren-

dered in a manner which denoted excellent training and good government. These teachers are to be commended for the interest they are taking in their respective schools.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McKinnon spent Christmas with the latter's mother at Tawas City.

John McKinnon (big John) of Spruce left here Monday for Harper hospital, Detroit to receive treatment for stomach trouble. He has been very sick for the last three weeks,

and was advised by his physician to go to a hospital.

Miss Bessie Mather of Ossineke is the guest of Miss Winnie Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic St. Laurent spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bryning at Ossineke.

Alfred Derocher Sr. made a business trip to Alpena Monday.

Eugene Ranger is home from the woods for the holidays.

McDonald House henceforth to be known as the Huron View

January 6, 1916 - In accordance with announcement made some weeks ago. Landlord J. E. Noiseaux Sunday called in a committee of six to select a new name for the hotel. The gentlemen—Dr. Miller, E. V. Green, D. McRae, F. L. and J. E. Yockey and W. L. Chapelle—were first treated to an excellent dinner, after which they were provided with a list of the names sent in response to the invitation published by the proprietor.

The list included such names as: Travelers Home, New Alcona, Evelyn, Grey-stone, Lakeview, New Harrisville, Huron View, etc. The last name was the one selected and during Mr. Noiseaux's reign the hotel will be known as the "Huron View." Claud Yockey submitted the name decided upon by the committee, and won the contest.

High School Notes

January 6, 1915 - After two weeks vacation High school was again resumed.

Reports from first year latin examination shows a standing of 98 percent for Jessie Pyne, Gladys Swales and Alice Stewart.

Blanche Hamilton and Dorothy Mitchell have the highest marks in American literature, 98 percent, while none of the class went below 90 per cent.

Charles Curley received the highest mark, 98 percent, in English literature. Charles also has the highest average of the twelfth grade for the first four months.

The pupils of third grade are pleased to see a new pupil, Eva Boyce of Bay City, who is visiting at Rev. C. M. Boyce's. All pupils are back to school in the primary room.



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Seven Day Forecast

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Partly Cloudy
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THURSDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 36 Low: 29

FRIDAY
Cloudy
High: 38 Low: 33

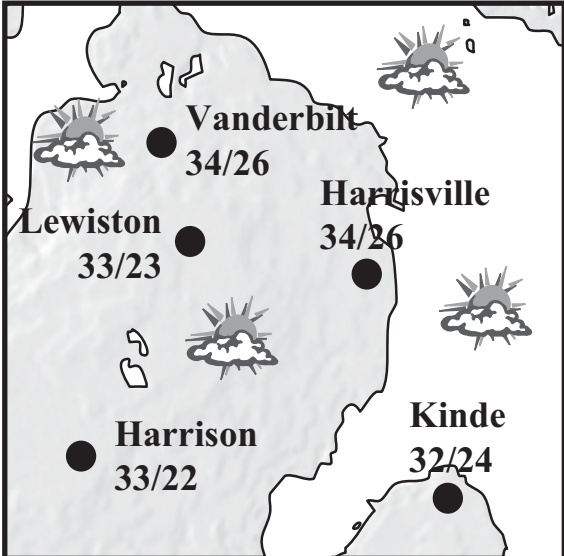
SATURDAY
Cloudy
High: 38 Low: 30

SUNDAY
Cloudy
High: 33 Low: 27

MONDAY
Mostly Cloudy
High: 31 Low: 25

TUESDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 32 Low: 21

Today's Regional Map



Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	8:09 a.m.	5:08 p.m.	4:38 a.m.	2:43 p.m.
Thursday	8:09 a.m.	5:09 p.m.	5:36 a.m.	3:28 p.m.
Friday	8:09 a.m.	5:10 p.m.	6:32 a.m.	4:19 p.m.
Saturday	8:08 a.m.	5:11 p.m.	7:25 a.m.	5:16 p.m.
Sunday	8:08 a.m.	5:13 p.m.	8:13 a.m.	6:20 p.m.
Monday	8:08 a.m.	5:14 p.m.	8:57 a.m.	7:27 p.m.
Tuesday	8:07 a.m.	5:15 p.m.	9:36 a.m.	8:37 p.m.

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 34°, humidity of 86%. Southwest wind 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 40° set in 1965. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 26°. The record low for tonight is -16° set in 1996. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a high temperature of 36°, humidity of 91%.

***Last Week's Almanac**

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	27	20	28/13	0.45"
Tuesday	33	26	28/13	0.34"
Wednesday	32	26	28/13	0.03"
Thursday	31	26	28/12	0.02"
Friday	28	22	27/12	0.00"
Saturday	36	24	27/12	0.00"
Sunday	32	18	27/12	0.00"

*Data as reported from Alpena, MI

Local UV Index

0-2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+

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

National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies today and Thursday, scattered rain and snow Friday, with the highest temperature of 49° in Georgetown, Del. The Southeast will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with a few showers today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 77° in Marathon Key, Fla. The Northwest will see partly cloudy to cloudy skies with scattered rain and snow today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 50° in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see scattered showers today through Friday, with the highest temperature of 59° in Phoenix, Ariz.

Tonight's Planets

	Rise	Set
Mercury	9:00 a.m.	6:24 p.m.
Venus	5:21 a.m.	n/a
Mars	2:11 a.m.	12:51 p.m.
Jupiter	10:47 p.m.	11:26 a.m.
Saturn	5:37 a.m.	2:48 p.m.
Uranus	12:06 p.m.	1:01 a.m.

Weather History

Jan. 6, 1989 - A blizzard ripped through south central and southeastern Idaho. Strong winds, gusting to 60 mph at the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, whipped the snow into drifts five feet high and produced wind chill readings as cold as 35 degrees below zero.

Weather Trivia

How many hurricanes develop in the Atlantic per year?

?
 Answer: On average, six.

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StarWatch By Gary Becker - Eying Aldebaran

Turn right at Orion the Hunter. That's the constellation which is in the SSE at 9 p.m. with its triad of bright belt stars, sometimes called the Three Marias, stationed in a neat tidy row. Follow these stars upward like a rocket launcher, and you will pass just below an orangey luminary named Aldebaran, the alpha star and bright eye of Taurus the Bull. Aldebaran is about 65 light years distant. This means that the energy being viewed early in 2016 left Aldebaran shortly after the New Year in 1951 and has been traveling towards us at the breakneck speed of 186,282 miles per second ever since. Aldebaran is a red giant, 425 times more luminous than our sun, and if placed in our solar system, it would stretch halfway to Mercury and appear large enough to cover easily the seven main stars of Orion the Hunter. Aldebaran is close to the end of its life, with a thin shell of hydrogen gas furiously fusing into helium around an inert helium core. As the core gathers up more helium from the hydrogen "burning" shell, it will continue to contract and heat, causing the shell burning to accelerate and Aldebaran to nearly double in brightness, increase in size, and redden even more. Using binoculars reveals that Aldebaran is also the brightest star of a V-shaped grouping that forms the head of Taurus the Bull. If Aldebaran is deleted from the "V," the remaining luminaries are all part of an open cluster of stars called the Hyades, located about 150 light years from the sun and which formed about 650 million years ago. It is in open clusters that star births take place today, but unlike the Hyades, most clusters dissipate (evaporate) after a few hundred million years, member stars going their separate ways because the gravitational attractions among constituents are not strong enough to hold the system together. Our sun was born about 4.5 billion years ago in an unknown cluster which has since evaporated, and this will also be the probable fate of the Hyades cluster in the distant future. www.astronomy.org



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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **POLITICS:** What sitting vice president shot and mortally wounded a political rival in a duel?
2. **LANGUAGE:** What does the Latin suffix "grade" mean?
3. **MOVIES:** What was the name of the angel who visited George Bailey in "It's a Wonderful Life"?
4. **TELEVISION:** What was the title of the theme song to the sitcom "Cheers"?
5. **U.S. STATES:** What state's motto is "North to the Future"?
6. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What kind of animal would be described as "lupine"?
7. **GAMES:** How much money do you get when you pass "Go" in Monopoly?
8. **LITERATURE:** What are the names of the two feuding families in "Romeo and Juliet"?
9. **GEOGRAPHY:** What two countries does the Cheviot Hills range divide?
10. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the birthstone for April?

Answers: 1. Aaron Burr; 2. Walking or moving; 3. Clarence; 4. "Where Everybody Knows Your Name"; 5. Alaska; 6. A wolf; 7. \$200; 8. Montague and Capulet; 9. England and Scotland; 10. Diamond (c) 2016 King Features Synd., Inc.

Moments In Time

The History Channel

- On Jan. 19, 1809, author Edgar Allan Poe is born in Boston. By the time he was 3 years old, Poe's parents had died, leaving him in the care of his godfather, John Allan. Allan eventually disowned Poe for gambling debts.
- On Jan. 22, 1879, U.S. soldiers badly bloody Cheyenne Chief Dull Knife and his people as they make a desperate march to flee the Indian Territory where they had been relocated and return to their Wyoming homeland.
- On Jan. 18, 1912, after a two-month ordeal, the expedition of British explorer Robert Falcon Scott arrives at the South Pole only to find that Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen had preceded them by just over a month.
- On Jan. 21, 1959, Carl Dean Switzer, the actor who as a child played "Alfalfa," the freckle-faced boy with a cowlick, in the "Our Gang" comedy film series, dies at age 31 in a fight in California.
- On Jan. 23, 1968, the U.S. intelligence-gathering ship Pueblo is seized by the North Korean navy and its crew charged with spying. Negotiations to free the 83-man crew dragged on for nearly a year, and required a signed confession by the ship's captain admitting to spying.
- On Jan. 24, 1972, after 28 years of hiding in the jungles of Guam, farmers discover Shoichi Yokoi, a Japanese sergeant who was unaware that World War II had ended. Yokoi had gone into hiding rather than surrender to the Americans.
- On Jan. 20, 1981, minutes after Ronald Reagan's inauguration as the 40th president of the United States, the 52 U.S. captives held at the U.S. embassy in Teheran, Iran, are released, ending the 444-day Iran Hostage Crisis. President Jimmy Carter had been unable to diplomatically resolve the crisis.

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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was 20th-century American historian, sociologist, philosopher and literary critic Lewis Mumford who made the following sage observation: "A man of courage never needs weapons, but he may need bail."
- In the 1960s, American spies in the Soviet Union had a novel way to eavesdrop on conversations: They used cats. The CIA agents placed listening devices on the felines in order to hear conversations that might take place on a park bench or near an open window.
- Polar bears and grizzly bears are similar enough genetically to successfully mate. Any offspring produced from such a union is known as a "pizzly."
- If you're a book lover who is fortunate enough to be planning a trip to Japan's capital sometime soon, then Book and Bed Tokyo needs to be on your agenda. For a mere \$30-\$40 per night, you can sleep in a bunk surrounded by bookshelves and have access to free Wi-Fi and a vending machine. The bathrooms and a large seating area (furnished, reportedly, with deep, comfy couches) will be shared with other guests -- but that's just an opportunity to meet like-minded literary travelers! You can bring your own reading material, of course, but with 1,700 titles provided in both English in Japanese, there's no need.
- It's common knowledge that the ostrich is a flightless bird, but many people don't realize that, even confined to land, the ostrich can outrun a racehorse.
- If you use rats or mice to tell the future, you're engaging in myomancy; if you prefer to base your divination on the flight or song of birds, you're an ornithomancer.

Thought for the Day: "I would like to see anyone -- prophet, king or God -- convince a thousand cats to do the same thing at the same time." -- Neil Gaiman

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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.

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Mortgage sale – Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by David D. Shreve, a single man of Alcona County, Michigan, mortgagor to Independent Mortgage Co. Central Michigan dated the 30th day of March, 2005, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the county of Alcona and state of Michigan, on the 8th day of April, 2005, in Liber 414, page 1,298, Alcona County records, modified in loan modification agreement dated December 3, 2009, and recorded December 21, 2009 in

Liber 467, page 764, Alcona County records, and further modified in home affordable modification agreement dated June 24, 2015, and recorded July 7, 2015 in Liber 516, page 381, Alcona County records of Alcona Records, which said mortgage was assigned to Independent Bank, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$110,486.62 (one hundred ten thousand four hundred eighty-six and 62/100) plus accrued interest at 4.125 percent (four point one two five) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the

statute of the state of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 20th day of January, 2016, at 10 a.m. said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, west entrance to the Alcona County Building in Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the township of Curtis, in the county of Alcona and state of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the township of Curtis, county of Alcona and state of Michigan: Lot 18, Block 1 of North Lake Woods Subdivision, Curtis Township, Alcona County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 150,

Alcona County records. Commonly known as: 2969 Lakeshore Dr. Tax Parcel No.: 032-185-001-018-00

If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale the borrower, pursuant to MCLA 600.3278 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.

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

Dated: December 23, 2015

By: Foreclosing Attorneys Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48084 WWR# 10138659 12-23, 12-30, 1-6, 1-13

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Mortgage sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jeremy S. Green, an unmarried man, to United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture, mortgagee, dated December 30, 2009, and recorded on December 30, 2009, in Liber 467, page 1,067, Alcona County records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-six thousand five hundred eighty-five and

80/100 (\$56,585.80) including interest at the rate of 4.87500 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 venue, at the place of holding the circuit court in said Alcona County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10 a.m. on January 20, 2016.

Said premises are situated in the township of Mikado, Alcona County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the northeast quarter of southeast quarter of Section 23, Town 25 North, Range 8 East, Mikado Township, described as commencing 165 feet west of the northeast corner of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter thereof; thence south

132 feet; thence west 165 feet; thence north 132 feet; thence east 165 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 3754 S F-41, Mikado, Mich. 48745.

If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be six months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is one year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure

sale, the borrower(s) 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.

To all purchasers: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: December 23, 2015 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.

Attorneys for United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture 43252 Woodward Ave., Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 (248) 335-9200 Case No. 15MI01455-1 12-23, 12-30, 1-6, 1-13

Notice of Mortgage Sale

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Cayce C. Will and Ann Marie Kitalong-Will, husband and wife, to Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, whose address is 1100 South Bagley Street, Alpena, Mich. 49707.

The mortgage is dated July 30, 2004 and recorded on August 06, 2004 at Liber 404, pages 912-914, Alcona County records, modified on September 04, 2009 and recorded on September 14, 2009 at Liber 465, pages 497-499, Alcona County records, modified on November 23, 2011 and recorded on November 28, 2011 at Liber 483, pages 873-876, Alcona County records, modified on February 27, 2015 and recorded on March 02, 2015 at Liber 513, pages 582-584, Alcona County records.

There is claimed to be due on the mortgage at the date of this notice, for principal, interest, and other items paid as allowed by the mortgage, the sum of \$103,520.60 and no proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt secured thereby. The power of sale contained in the mortgage has now become operative.

Notice is hereby given that, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage and pursuant to the applicable foreclosure statute, the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property described below at public auction to the highest bidder at the Alcona County Courthouse at 214 West Main Street, Harrisville, Mich. 48740 on Wednesday,

January 20, 2015 at 10 a.m. The property will be sold to pay the amount due on the mortgage with 8.875 percent interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes and insurance that the mortgagee pays on or before the date of sale. The property subject to the mortgage and subject to sale is as follows:

Situated in Caledonia Township, Alcona County, state of Michigan: Being the south 50 feet of lots 62 and 65 and a part of the south 50 feet of lot 61 of Tollson Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 197, Alcona County records, and a part of the south 1/2 of Section 13, T28N, R7E, described as: Commencing at the east 1/4 corner of Section 13, T28N, R7E; thence S02°50'49"W 866.37 feet along the east line of Section 13 and Hubbard Lake Road; thence N88°52'40"W 33.02 feet to the southeast corner of Tollson Subdivision, the point of beginning; thence S02°50'49"W 100.00 feet along the west 66 foot right of way line of Hubbard Lake Road; thence N02°50'49"E 150.00 feet to the north line of the south 50 feet of Tollson Subdivision; thence S88°52'40"E 290.00 feet along the north line of the south 50 feet of Tollson Subdivision to the west 66 foot right of way line of Hubbard Lake Road; thence S02°50'49"W 50.00 feet along the west 66 foot right of way line of Hubbard Lake Road to the point of beginning. Subject to any part thereof that may be used for

road right of way purposes. Bearing a certain 2004 Hart manufactured home bearing serial number HH11896, model number 419.

Together with all tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances now or hereafter hereunto.

The period of redemption will be six months from the date of sale, unless abandoned as defined by MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Re-

vised 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 23, 2015 Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, Mortgagee Daniel W. White Attorney for Mortgagee 313 North Second Avenue Alpena, MI 49707 989-354-4104 12-23, 12-30, 1-6, 1-13

ALCONA ROAD COMMISSION SYNOPSIS

A regular meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission was held December 23, 2015, in Lincoln. Motions were passed to: Approve minutes of the December 9, 2015, meeting; approve payment of open accounts in the amount of \$313,228.28; approve the budget amendment for 2015; adopt the budget for 2016.

This synopsis published prior to board approval. Complete minutes are available at alconacr.com, upon request via e-mail at roads@alconacr.com, or by calling (989) 736-8168. The next regularly scheduled meeting is January 13 at 4 p.m. Meetings are open to the public.

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New bingo-Ossineke FOE, 6848 US-23, Spruce. License A22483. Proceeds to benefit charities and general fund. Wednesday, early bird 6 p.m., regular 6:30 p.m.

Timber For Sale

Sealed bids will be received up until 6 p.m. on January 20, 2016 for the C. & D. Tacia and L. Burke 2016 Timber Sale, located in the N 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 17, T27N R8E, Hawes Township, Alcona County, Michigan. Estimated sawlog volumes include: 156 MBF of grade northern red oak sawlogs, 58.8 MBF of mixed oak pallet sawlogs, 17.3 MBF of red maple pallet sawlogs, and 10.3 MBF of pallet aspen sawlogs. All pulpwood in the tops of the harvested trees shall be utilized. 27 cords of aspen pulpwood, 340 cords of mixed oak pulpwood, and 72 cords of mixed hardwood pulpwood. The access for this timber sale is from a shared private driveway that joins Miller Road. Interested bidders should contact Don Krejcarek, Sunrise Forestry Consultants at (989) 724-6165.

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Alcona Township Planning Commission meetings are scheduled for the following dates: February 4, May 5, August 4, and Novem-

ber 3, 2016. The tri-township (Alcona, Caledonia and Hawes townships) meeting will be hosted by Alcona Township on April 21, 2016. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the Alcona Township Hall. Call (989) 727-2790 for more information or check the Alcona Township web page alconatownship.com. All meetings are open to the public.

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