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## Speakers to talk about road work, Michigan constitution changes on Thursday, April 8

The Montmorency County Chapter of the Michigan Township Association will meet at the Loud Township Hall on Thursday, April 8 at 7 p.m. Two speakers will be at the meeting.

Former 106th house candidate Peter Pettalia will speak on the effort to pass a state-wide ballot measure which would bring about a constitutional convention.

Also, county road commission manager Kim Bleech will talk about upcoming road work for the townships. The public is welcome to attend this event.

## County board turns down staffing requests

by Yvonne Swager

Commissioners for Montmorency County continue to adhere to a hiring freeze recently implemented. Some department heads at the regular county board meeting, March 24, requested positions be filled, but the board members voted those requests down.

Sheriff Don Edwards told board members one of his deputies had resigned. He said he is now short one officer and reminded the board the department had been reduced by three officers in the last three years. He said the position was necessary.

"I really think we need to replace that. It is in the budget," Edwards said.

He's aware the county has budget issues, he said, but there are other areas where cuts can be made.

"You've got a lot of fluff in non-mandated services you really need to look at before you start cutting mandated services," Edwards said.

Commissioner Daryl Peterson said other areas are being explored and more cuts will be made if the gloomy financial reports continue. He said the budget was developed in November with a lot of unknowns, and just because something is budgeted doesn't mean the money has to be spent.

"A budget is like an artist painting a picture. You try to paint something pretty," Peterson said.

The board passed a motion in favor of not replacing the officer with Margaret D'Agostino voting in opposition. The board also denied requests for replacement

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## Aiming for Alzheimer's: Pool players raise money for Alzheimer's Association



POOL ENTHUSIASTS enjoyed a tournament at Chauncey's Pub in Hillman last Sunday, and raised money for the Alzheimers' Association in the process.

This year's final individual nine-ball tournament to benefit the Alzheimers' Association attracted 40 participants. Players took to the tables at Chauncey's Pub in Hillman to help raise money for the Alzheimers' Association and try for the tournament title.

The series of preliminary tournaments that take place in area taverns lead up to a main event tournament. This year's winner

of the tournament at Chauncey's Pub was Marv Tracey, Hillman.

The main event will take place on April 11 at the Hillman Senior Center. The tournament will begin at noon, and the wild game dinner is scheduled for 3 p.m. The main event features raffles, a silent auction and a 50/50 drawing.

This is the 13<sup>th</sup> year for the tournament that raises about \$10,000 for the Alzheimers' Association cause.

### Main Event Tournament:

Sunday, April 11

Hillman Community Center  
Tournament begins at noon.  
Wild Game Dinner at 3 p.m.

## Protection of endangered beetle is a factor for road commission project this summer



HUNGERFORD'S CRAWLING WATER BEETLE is found in just a few locations in the northern lower peninsula of Michigan, and is listed as an endangered species at both the state and federal level.

by Yvonne Swager

One county road commission project is being postponed until fall because it poses a threat to the existence of an endangered species. An area creek crossing needs improvement, but the work might disrupt the habitat of Hungerford's crawling water beetle.

The beetle is considered a glacial remnant and thrives in clean cool streams with a cobble bottom. It has been discovered in only four watersheds, including the Upper Black River, Carp Lake and Maple River watersheds as well as a watershed in Canada.

The species was listed as endangered on March 7, 1994. There is a high degree of threat and low recovery potential for the species. Heather Rawlings, fish and wildlife biologist, said it is difficult to pinpoint all the implications for humans if the species disappears but life in the watersheds would be impacted.

"They feed on some, and provide food for other creatures, and the balance of the ecosystem would be disrupted," Rawlings said.

There are species living within the watersheds that are similar to the Hungerford's beetle. Rawlings said she's had to become educated about the differences in the species.

"I've had to learn quite a bit about locating them and identifying them. They're distinctive in how they swim," she said.

Threats to the species include any activities that modify or disrupt the pool and riffle environments of streams in which the species lives. As a result, care has been taken in trying to protect the species in light of construction projects within the watersheds.

Because of a road project within the Carp Lake watershed, the beetles there were relocated to a site upstream from the project. The beetle never returned to repopulate

the original site, however.

A proposed idea for the upcoming project is to remove the beetles from the construction site, store them and return them to the original site. Rawlings said that decision would be made by officials in the East Lansing field office for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Regardless of the method used to try to preserve the species, Rawlings said the road commission should be able to proceed with crossing improvement plans by September.

"I'm trying to make this as easy for the road commission as possible," Rawlings said. "They have been very easy to work with."





# Editorial and Comment

Guest Editorial:

## What makes a community great?

You often hear people say things like “I am part of the community.” when talking about where they live and work. But what does that really mean? Or more importantly, what should it mean?

I looked up the word ‘community’ in the *American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language* and found it to have many meanings:

- A group of people living in the same locality and under the same government
- Society as a whole; the public
- A group of people having common interests
- Sharing, participation, and fellowship

When I think about these four definitions and how they apply to the people in the towns and county where we live, I can’t help but think that many have a lack of understanding of the word community, and how important each facet of it is. I am not saying our community perception is all bad, but lets be honest, it leaves much to be desired.

Take the first two meanings for example; they are pretty general and obvious. Yes, we live in the same county, we share the same government, school districts or townships and we, the people make up our society. We have many individuals who share common interests, but that is not enough to make a community great. We have to work together and build on those interests to achieve goals, even if our opinions may differ. Sometimes we have to agree to disagree.

When I look at all the unhappiness and displeasure towards our county and township officials, local organizations, school administrations, and even each other, it becomes obvious to me that what we are lacking here in Montmorency County is the sharing, participation and fellowship that makes a good community great.

One of the first things that many of us need to do to make this happen, is come to realize and be accepting and forgiving of the fact that not everyone in a community will have the same interests or personal opinions. Often, not all facts are taken into consideration when one forms an opinion, and to make matters worse, many opinions are formed based on rumor. We all need to not form our opinions until we are presented with the facts. If we all were to do this, we would be one step closer to being a better community.

An important part of community is sharing and participation. These qualities are vital when trying to form an educated, personal opinion. Share factual information that you may have that is not confidential. If you are passionate about something, become informed: attend the meetings, ask questions, utilize the various resources of factual information that are out there. Learn the facts first hand and not by hearsay. Make suggestions to the proper committees when you feel you have an idea that will make an event or policy better, and when trying a new idea, go into it with an open mind. By doing so, you will become well informed will be better prepared to try to improve on something that you feel needs it. You will also be able to present your opinions and ideas and base them on fact, which will get you much further in your efforts than being ill-informed or uninformed.

Find like minded individuals in your area to support your efforts and work together as a team, which will go a long way towards the last and perhaps most important part of the equation; fellowship.

By becoming informed and working with others towards a common goal, in time, much of the discourse we are currently seeing can be improved or even eliminated. And much of the respect that is currently missing will once again be instilled into our community. If we can achieve that, we will be well on our way to being not just a better community, but the great one that we, without a doubt, can be.

- Michelle Pinson

## We get Letters...

### Less bureaucracy would lead to better finances

To the Editor:

Thank you for the thoughtful letter entitled “Everyone could benefit from better board of review process” from Mr. and Mrs. Arce published in the March 17th edition. What the Arces experienced is not unique to them or Albert Township. It goes on in other if not all townships in Montmorency County. It is shameful that they were treated so shoddily by the township board of review, and clearly demonstrates what many in government think of the tax payer.

In its purest sense, the township board of review is supposed to look at the facts submitted by the taxpayer fairly and decide based upon the facts and be

proactive in rendering a decision which might actually benefit the taxpayer. In practice, from my experience, they are rubber stamps for the township supervisors.

Taxpayers should take the time to determine if they can benefit from an appraisal of their property especially in this time of a severely down real estate market. Appraisers are not an expensive means to get an accurate determination of your property’s true value. Armed with an appraisal, one can prevail against the township boards of review, or at least have strong evidence to support their case if they need to go to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. A lower property tax can pay for that appraisal and save a taxpayer money long term. Your money looks a lot better in your pocket then it does in government’s pocket.

Why do we need all the levels of government in Montmorency County? What do we get for our tax dollars? How much are we providing with our tax dollars in salary and benefits at the various levels of government for those part time jobs that are often used to treat us as if we are servants to those people who in reality are our public servants? Could that money be better spent elsewhere such as for more sheriff personnel or for county road improvements or to assist the great volunteer fire fighters? Most of us don’t get sewer, water, street lighting or in most instances paved roads with our tax dollars.

Funding is a big issue at all levels of government as chronicled in issue after issue of the *Montmorency County Tribune*. If all of the levels of government were combined into one county government, wouldn’t that perhaps free up funding that could avert the constant state of financial crisis that currently exists? Montmorency County has about 13,000 full time residents and does not need all those levels of government. Municipalities and Townships throughout the state often have more than 13,000 full time residents with one level of government.

It might be worth it financially to provide tax payers with a more responsive, less bureaucratic county government. At least there could be only one board of review to trample on the taxpayer’s necks at assessment time.

Sincerely,  
Mark F. Tooze, Plymouth Township and Rush Lake

## Obama Health Care just the beginning

To the Editor:

Wednesday I sent Representative Stupak an email stating my disappointment with him because of the deal he and the President cut to get him to vote for the Obama Health Care bill. Should I have been surprised to receive an unsolicited response? I’m sure “his” response was a generic answer to all his critics and probably written by a staffer?

The response went like this:

About twelve paragraphs consisting of about 700 words. Four of the twelve paragraphs dealt with his abortion stand and decision to drop his objection on the abortion issue to get an executive order from President Obama.

The remaining seven paragraphs was mostly a diatribe of all the good things he has done since being in office and much expounding of all the great things the Health Care bill will be doing for us (typical politician).

In addition, he attached two documents supposedly having all the answers to questions we might have about the Health Care bill, none of which explained with any certainty how the plan would be paid for.

Sad to say, but the Obama Health Care bill is just the beginning. More, much more of the same will be coming down the road.

Dave LeBarre, Atwood and Hillman

## Government spending makes me worry for my decedents

To the Editor:

This is in response to the letter from Wayne Vermilya regarding Rep. Stupak’s position on abortion funding.

Vermilya makes himself as a very decent and moral person, but when he describes Stupak’s “faulty ideals,” is he saying that opposition to the murder of the unborn is a faulty ideal? Is he justifying murder because someone in the future might neglect their child? If Vermilya’s mother had this fear, he might not be here!

Regarding this socialized medicine debate that the Democrats, after spending taxpayers’ money to bribe politicians to get their votes, after the polls show the majority are against it, what does he think anything the government does will work right.

Medicaid, Medicare, Social Security, the VA — everything the government does — is in deficit. Every country that has it has problems, and some have 75 percent income taxes to try to support it.

I am a proud, loyal American, a military veteran, and a retired police officer, but as I am in my 80th year, I’m glad I probably won’t be around to see where this country is headed. It is my decedents I’m worried about.

John J. Murphy, Lewiston and Florida

## There is no place for intimidation in politics

To the Editor:

I’m a left wing liberal democrat who, it so happens, doesn’t believe in abortion. That, I guess, makes me a “pro-lifer.” As someone who believes in the sanctity of life, I’m also against violence, war, and the death penalty. I don’t see how someone who identifies themselves as “pro-life” can vulgarly threaten the lives of members of Congress who voted in favor of the health care bill. No, even though I do, this is not a letter supporting that bill.

This letter is about certain groups of people who have roamed the earth spreading cruelty and terror since the beginning of mankind. To these people it is not about religious faith, political philosophy, or idealistic creeds. They merely attach themselves, for the time being, to whatever situation (war, politics, race, religion, job opportunities, economic stress, you name it; any excuse will do) allows them to practice their dark and twisted art of intimidation, torture, and worse.

For now the crazies have found comfortable niches with the Republican Party and in our houses of worship, like viruses stealthily invading healthy cells. I have nothing against the GOP or those who attend church. I would caution them both however, to keep a strict eye on those they allow to become hangers-on. These folks don’t embrace or espouse their cause, yet right now it is pretty hard to tell them apart. Somehow a climate has been created making it easy for them to further their own needs; needs that have nothing to do with respecting, cherishing, and protecting lives. The Salem witch trials, the KKK, and the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, are only a few of the dark and unsettling reminders that show just how easily we drink from the poisoned well.

Karen Vermilya, Onaway

## Our turn to change things in Washington will come this November

To the Editor:

Rep. Bart Stupak sold out not only the citizens of Michigan, but the entire country when he caved in to the pressures of his party. He and his group of Pro-Life followers could have made the difference. I am so disappointed in him. He made everyone think he was so Pro-Life and then sold his soul.

What price do you put on a babies life... not much I guess. Stupak sold his soul for \$700,000 for airport improvements in the Upper Peninsula. The Cleveland Rep. Kucinich sold his soul for a ride in Air Force One! Stupak is trying to use the worthless executive order as his “out” to say it takes care of the abortion funding.. wrong!

The majority of the American people did not want the Health Bill. Our poor excuse of a president and his cronies shoved it down our throats, not for the people, but to create a legacy for President Obama. I say, come November, it will be our turn to do the shoving and take our country back, before they completely ruin it! Washington DC needs a complete cleansing and our votes will be the Castor Oil!

Larry Burt, Atlanta

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## More Letters...

### We got "change" all right

To the Editor:

By the time you read this, our country will be undergoing the most massive expansion of the Federal Government in our lifetimes. This expansion of government power that deeply impacts the lives of American families, American businesses, healthcare decisions and healthcare providers is going to bring all the waste, the fraud, the abuse and the corruption that big government always does. Instead of choosing to work on healthcare reform that would lower insurance costs without growing the size of government, the socialist Democratic majority in power in Washington chose to ignore the will of the majority of their constituents who didn't want massive taxes, government-mandated insurance, public abortion funding and socialized medicine. After ramming down our throats the most rotten legislation ever devised in America by bribery, conniving back room deals and untold and undiscovered Chicago-politic-style deal cutting, we are left with the IRS being involved in our health care.

It's a real shame that such reform measures as eliminating drug company advertising, government negotiated drug pricing for Medicare and Medicaid, increased Medicare and Medicaid fraud detection efforts, allowing for Americans to purchase health insurance across state lines and tort reform couldn't have been legislated instead of the forced insurance program that we have now. The aforementioned initiatives would have been extremely low cost as opposed to the nearly trillion dollar program the Democrats passed. But then the Democratic party health reform initiative was never about reforming health care, but instead is a program to grow the size and power of our socialist Democratic-majority government and to buy the future votes 30 million uninsured Americans at taxpayer expense through wealth redistribution. We're stuck with a \$940 billion program that will reduce the Federal deficit by \$180 billion because taxpayers will be billed for over \$1.1 trillion over the next decade to generate the deficit reduction. What a deal!

So where does this leave America now? We get a health care reform plan passed by a socialist Congress that exempts itself from its coverage, to be signed by a President who hasn't read it (and who smokes), with funding administered by a Treasury Secretary who didn't pay his taxes, to be managed by a Surgeon General who is obese, and the whole program is to be financed by a country that is broke. I sincerely hope that everyone who voted Democratic in the last election is happy with their "change" For the rest of us, it's time to vote the bums out and replace them with elected representatives who will listen to those of us who pay their exorbitant salaries and benefits.

Joe Pascucci, Hillman

**Correction:** We got some of the family tree information wrong in last weeks' history picture of the trade token for Powell and Son. Martin Powell, who worked at the Powell Hotel, was Sheila Kinsey-Stone's uncle. Hubert Powell, who owned the hotel, was her grandfather, and Charles Powell, who was an early sheriff in the county, was her great-grandfather. Further research indicates that the Powell's owned the hotel during the 1920's. Sheila is still looking for one of the Powell trade tokens. Anyone who has one is asked to call her at (989) 785-4814.

## County board turns down staffing requests

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of a secretary in the MSU extension office and for an 11-cent raise for an equalization employee now with higher certification.

A request for extra hours for the administrator's assistant was also voted down. Candace Fox, county administrator, said she was requesting additional hours so her assistant could fill in for her when she was on vacation. The board voted to close the office during the vacation instead of granting the extra hours.

Also voted on at the meeting was a motion to purchase three new police cars for the sheriff department. The board approved purchase of three new Fords at a total cost of about \$66,000.

Peterson said it made sense to purchase the cars now, because Ford will be changing models next year and equipment being used at the sheriff department won't transfer to the new models.

In other business:

- Approval was given for purchase of a copier for the sheriff department at a cost of \$4,266.
- Board members passed a motion to fill the deputy register position in probate court at \$9.19 per hour.
- A public auction of county equipment will take place on April 17 at 10 a.m. at the sheriff department barn.
- Terri Chapman resigned from the library board, and Mary Alsobrooks has now been appointed to that board.
- The board approved the appointment of Robert Pace to the board for the Montmorency County Commission on Aging.

## District Court report:

In 88th District Court last week, Judge Theodore O. Johnson sentenced Robert C. Glanz, of Davenport, IA, for operating a snowmobile while impaired by liquor. Glanz will serve five days in jail and one year of probation, pay \$623 in fines and costs, and attend an outpatient substance abuse treatment program.

Michael J. Kovacs, of Southgate, was sentenced for driving while impaired. He will serve one year of probation, pay \$603 in fines and costs, and attend an outpatient substance abuse treatment program.

Jason L. Gonia, of Monroe, will serve six months of probation and pay \$563 for driving while impaired.

Jason S. Moyer, of Johannesburg, will pay \$531 in fines, costs, and restitution for two counts of writing non-sufficient funds checks of less than \$100.

Stanley M. Jenkins, of Atlanta, will serve one year of probation and pay \$403 for allowing a minor to possess alcohol.

Nathaniel L. Jenkins, of Atlanta, will serve one year of probation, pay \$373, and attend an outpatient treatment program for possessing alcohol as a minor.

Timothy A. Hayes, of Hillman, will pay \$353 for driving on a suspended license.

Amanda F. Trosper, of Johannesburg, will serve 30 days in jail and pay \$334 for a non-sufficient check of less than \$100.

Sherry L. Prindle, of Lewiston, will pay \$303 for driving without insurance.

Claudia G. David, of Atlanta, will pay \$303 for driving without insurance.

## Summer roadwork plans begin at the County Road Commission

by Yvonne Swager

County Commissioner Bert LaFleche attended the road commission meeting on March 25 and inquired as to whether there is an improvement plan for Long Rapids Road. He said the road has been rough traveling for some time.

"A lot of people use that road to go to Alpena," LaFleche said.

Steve Wicks, superintendent, said Long Rapids isn't the worst road in the county, but Ted Orm, road commissioner, said it's probably the worst primary road for travel. The road needs a new sand layer and some gravel added, according to Kim Bleech, road commission manager.

"We'll get the road fixed as soon as we can," Bleech said.

The road commission board passed a motion in favor of allowing R.S. Scott & Associates to begin preliminary plans for rebuilding Long Rapids Road from County Road 451 to the Alpena county line.

Also addressing the board was Robert Bolam from the Ess Lake Association. He said a portion of Ess Lake Drive is located within the association, and residents are complaining about the condition of that segment of road.

Association dues were increased a few years ago, Bolam said, and there might be some funding available through the association for repairs. He said he

would have to consult with the association board, first, but he was curious if the road commission would be willing to do the work if the association covered the cost of some of the materials.

"We'll certainly take that into consideration when we talk to the township supervisor," said Joe LaFleche, road commission chair.

Road commission members will be attending a Michigan Township Association meeting at Loud Township Hall on April 8 for the purpose of gathering input regarding upcoming road improvement projects.

In other business:

• A motion passed in favor of purchasing a shoulder conditioning attachment for the grader at a cost of \$14,505.

• Road commission representatives will be attending a workshop on sign retro-reflectivity. Highly reflective warning signs are mandated to be in place by 2015, and highly reflective street signs must be in place by 2018.

• Bids for work on County Road 624 will be downloaded electronically on April 2.

• Approval was given for countywide pavement marking on the 61 miles of county roads.

• Board members passed a motion in favor of curve delineation on a portion of County Road 459 near the cemetery.

## Pet of the Week

### Charlie wants to make room for the next dog

Yeah! It's finally warming up and it's about time we get to spend some time outside playing! My name is Charlie and I'm a collie retriever mix. I'm just over a year old, still a big baby.

I love people of all sizes and other dogs. Heck I even like cats. I'm very gentle and they always tell me I'm a big sweetheart. I walk nice on a leash and know how to sit. I'm very clean in my kennel so they think I am housebroken. I'm very smart and willing, so I can learn much more.

I like to smile sometimes, especially when I haven't seen someone in awhile. I am golden brown but I have black around the edge of my mouth, so when I smile you sure can see it — it makes them laugh here at the shelter.

I would really like to find myself a new home. It's time for me to make room for another that needs help. I promise I will try my best to be the greatest dog you ever had, and love you like you never been loved before...just give me a chance to be in your life.

They told me I was going to be pet of the week and that also includes a bath. Oh, lucky me! But that's alright; at least I will be clean and smelling good when I go to my new home. I am already neutered, have all my shots and am micro-chipped. If you want to visit me I will be waiting at the shelter or you can call 989-785-3738 for more information. Thanks for reading my story and I look forward to meeting you.

Love, Charlie



## A Glimpse of Montmorency County's Past:



THIS AERIAL VIEW of the village of Lewiston, looks toward the southeast, and was probably shot in the late 1940s or early 1950s. As a landmark Talley's Log Cabin Bar is easily identified on County Road 612.

Image was furnished by Roberta Hanna to the Montmorency County Historical Society. Photo Restoration by Edisons' Photo Fix and Sho. www.photofixandsho.com



# Lewiston Bits and Pieces

by Ruth Munger

- Wednesday, March 31: 10 – 11 a.m., Aerobics Class, Fifty Plus Club; Noon, Sassie Lassies, Lewiston Hotel
- Thursday, April 1: 9:30 a.m., Lewiston Lakes Quilters, St. Francis Parish Hall Basement; 5:30 p.m., WOW's, Fifty Plus Club
- Friday, April 2: 10 – 11 a.m., Aerobics Class, Fifty Plus Club
- Monday, April 4: 10 – 11 a.m., Aerobics Class, Fifty Plus Club; 11:30 a.m., St. Francis Women's "Let's Lunch," Lewiston Lodge
- Tuesday, April 5: 9:15 a.m., TOPS, Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Happy Easter, readers. For those of you who are Christian, may the joys of the Resurrection be with you always. For those of you who are not, blessings to you as well.

Hope not too many of you got caught in an April Fool's joke. Also, with the coming week being spring break for the school, you may want to check in with your organization to make sure there is still a meeting for your group.

The Chief Shawano Chapter DAR will have Pete Petoskey as their speaker at the Saturday, April 10, meeting to be held at 11:30 a.m. at BJ's Restaurant. His topic is: Meditations of a Wildlife Biologist. Non-members are welcome to attend and listen as well. If you have questions, you can call Sharon at 786-3795 or 786-3713.

There is still a need for census workers in and around our area. They offer flexible hours that can be structured around other commitments. You can apply in person at the following times and locations: 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 31, Bethlehem Lutheran Church; 1 p.m., Saturday, April 3, Lewiston Moose

Lodge; 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 6, Fifty Plus Club; 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 8, Bethlehem Lutheran Church. You need to bring your driver's license and social security card or current passport to apply.

Congratulations to the J-LHS Robotics Team. They put on a great performance at their latest competition and look forward to moving on to the State Finals.

Want a no-bowl way to make deviled eggs from those Easter eggs? Put the yolks in a sealed zipper bag and mash them up to your liking. Add the rest of the ingredients, reseal and keep mashing until it is thoroughly mixed. Cut the tip of one corner off the bag and squeeze the contents into the cut eggs. Throw away the bag and clean up is done.

Happy anniversary to Toby and Heidi Ewing who celebrate their day April 6.

Birthday wishes are extended to Amanda Cox, Alice Kahler, Bill Kennedy, Tim Reynolds, Joe Tenbusch and Lance Uplegger, March 31; Ronald Heppler and Dan Nieman, April 1; Tim Gallaway, April 2; Sarah Korff, Aaron Newton and Robert Porth, April 3; Pat Brooks, Ray LaPointe and Doug Williams, Jr., April 4; Viktoria Nickert and Doris Pesonan, April 5; Marion Huston, Frances Krucksenberg and Paul Schnell, April 6.

Do you have news or an event the rest of the community would be interested in reading about? Please pass it on to me at tallpinesbnb@i2k.com; 786-4534 (including your phone number); or mail a note to Ruth Munger, 2456 S. Co. Rd. 489, Lewiston, 49756. My article is sent to the paper early on Friday mornings, so I need your information by Thursday evening.



LEWISTON LION/LIONESS welcomed new member Bonnie Braebender at their Social Meeting March 3. President Lynne Jauss (on the left) did the installation. Peggy Bensett on the right is her sponsor. The Lion/Lioness are always ready to welcome new members to the club. If you think you'd like to join us please contact our Membership Chairman, Corky Roberts at 786-7024 for further information.

## Bowling Scores

at Timbertown Lanes

### Friday Nite Mens

- Millers Floorcovering . 57-27
- K-N-K Excavating . . . 53-31
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- Moose Lodge . . . . . 43-41
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- Redwood Steak House 16-68
- Team high game and series, K-N-K Excavating, 1039-3025; men's high game, Art Sietman, 267; men's high series, John Vaughn, 738.**

### Thursday Nite Mixed

- Bad Breaks . . . . . 59-32
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- Team high game, Bad Breaks, 803; team high series, Arctic Cats, 2285; men's high game, Ken Werner, 256; men's high series, Art Sietman, 695; women's high game and series, Kim Werner, 245-564.**

### Sunday Night Mixed

- On Strike . . . . . 68-37
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  - Old Depot Dolly's 21.5-26.5
  - REK'm . . . . . 13.5-34.5
  - Team high game and series, Avalon Bar, 853-2387; women's high game and series, Judy Jonas, 204-535.**

- ### Senior Matinee
- Nice Try . . . . . 123-66
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- ### Originals
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# Teen drinking is focus of townhall meeting



KEN DAIL, executive director of Prevention Network, a coalition to prevent underage drinking, tells those attending a recent town hall meeting in Johannesburg that all of the alcohol consumed by youths has passed through the hands of adults.

by Yvonne Swager

A town hall meeting at the Johannesburg-Lewiston High School, March 25, focused on the repercussions of underage drinking. Several speakers, including a recovering alcoholic, provided food for thought to youths and their parents.

Ken Dail, executive director of Prevention Network, a coalition to prevent underage drinking, said adults should do all they can to keep alcohol from being available to youths. He said 100 percent of alcohol consumed by youths has passed through the hands of adults. Dail elaborated by indicating 15 percent of employees at stores selling alcohol don't properly check IDs.

"Young people are much less likely to drink if they can't get their hands on alcohol," Dail said.

High school seniors choosing not to drink, he said, are not alone. From the studies that show 50 percent of high school seniors have used alcohol in the last 30 days, he deduced that means half the seniors are not using alcohol.

"If we think all the kids are doing it, they're not," Dail said.

For those who are, much is at stake. Manda Breuker, assistant prosecutor in Otsego County, outlined the legal consequences of drinking and driving. A first offense carries a \$100 fine, substance abuse treatment, community service, probation and court fines.

Breuker said, on a second offense, a judge can impose a \$200 fine, 30 days in jail, treatment, a 30-day license suspension and a 30-day license restriction. For a third offense, she said the sentencing jumps to a \$500 fine, 60 days in jail, treatment, drivers' license suspension for

60 days and restriction for 305 days.

"You can see, from a second offense to a third offense, the drivers' license sanctions and all the other sanctions go up considerably," Breuker said.

Adults furnishing alcohol to minors should also consider legal repercussions, she said. Parents can face 60 days in jail, a fine of \$1,000 and community service. Because the police are mandated to report cases of neglect and abuse, Breuker said providing alcohol to youths could land them on the central registry for abuse and neglect.

Otsego County has zero tolerance for drinking above the legal limit, according to Trooper Sunshine Lubelan, Michigan State Police. She said those drinking above the legal limit are taken to jail 100 percent of the time. "If they're sitting in jail, they can't injure or kill themselves or anyone else," Lubelan said.

Those helping cover for youths who drink, she said, set the youths up for more dire consequences as future adults.

"You didn't accept the consequences and the responsibility. You didn't change the behavior, and now we have a much more serious problem," the trooper said.

Carrina Neal, drug court graduate, spoke to those at the town hall meeting as a person who has traveled the road of alcoholism. Neal said she began drinking at the age of 12, after her sister found alcohol under the kitchen sink in her family home.

"If there is alcohol in your house, sooner or later your children will find it," she said.

By the time she was 16, she said she was keeping a liquor bottle under her bed.

"Alcoholism is usually diagnosed in adults, but it starts as an adolescent," Neal said.

Her alcoholism later landed her in rehab, outpatient counseling and Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, she said, and she eventually navigated through the difficult drug court system. Neal said she was required to take breath tests as often as twice daily, check in with a probation officer and judge twice a month each, attend counseling sessions and attend 45 meetings in 90 days.

Neal said she still attends meetings and meets with a counselor once a month.

"This will be something I will struggle with for the rest of my life, but I now have the tools to do what is right," she said.


Neal said she would spend the rest of her life helping others better understand the disease.

**Lewiston Senior Meals:**

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- Thursday, April 1:** Ham steak, potato salad & baked beans, beets, fruit.
- Friday, April 2:** Good Friday - No meal
- Monday, April 5:** Turkey pot pie, coleslaw, buttered carrots, fruit.
- Tuesday, April 6:** Roast beef, mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, tossed salad, oranges.
- Thursday, April 8:** Pork steak, oven browned potatoes, peas & carrots, cabbage marshmallow salad, applesauce.
- Friday, April 9:** Corn flake chicken, baked potato & sour cream, green beans, fruit.
- Monday, April 12:** Beef goulash, green beans, tossed salad, fruit cocktail.
- Tuesday, April 13:** Cook's choice
- Thursday, April 15:** Open face hot beef, mashed potatoes, asparagus, apples.
- Friday, April 16:** Baked lemon fish, seasoned potatoes, coleslaw, corn bread and apricots.
- Monday, April 19:** Meatloaf, cheesy potatoes, peas & carrots, marshmallow fruit salad.
- Tuesday, April 20:** Birthday dinner, turkey dinner, cake & ice cream.
- Thursday, April 22:** Chicken w/stir fry blend over rice, zucchini & tomatoes, applesauce.
- Friday, April 23:** Boiled dinner, potatoes & carrots, cabbage, mixed fruit.
- Monday, April 26:** Chicken & dumplings, glazed carrots, 3-bean salad, pears.
- Tuesday, April 27:** Spring fling
- Thursday, April 29:** Hamburger steak, creamed potatoes & peas, stewed tomatoes, fruit.
- Friday, April 30:** Pork w/gravy, boiled potatoes, cauliflower & cheese, fruit.

Call 786-3124 before 11 a.m. to register for dinner and leave a message with your name. Soup and salad bar are open at 4 p.m. Dinner is served at 5 p.m.



## Ski Valley all conference players are named

The following J-L girls and boys basketball players have been named to the all conference:

- First team all conference girls and boys: Stephanie Fisher, Mary Schlicher and Logan Jenkins
- Second team all conference girls and boys: Amanda Head
- Honorable mention girls and boys: Katelyn Fisher and Darryn Dobbyn

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# Hillman Happenings

by Darleen Krebiehl

• Wednesday March 31: 9 a.m., Aerobics, Rust Town Hall; 10 a.m., Line Dancing, Senior Center; Noon, Seam Ripper's Quilting Group, Senior Center.

• Thursday April 1: 11:30 a.m., Red Hat Lunch, Hi-Way Inn; Noon, Thunderbay Quilt Guild, Fairgrounds; 6:30 p.m., Bingo, K of C Hall.

• Friday April 2: 9 a.m., Aerobics, Rust Town Hall; 7-10 p.m., Roller Skating, Community Center; 4-7 p.m., Fish Fry, VFW Hall.

• Saturday April 3: 11 a.m., Kids Easter Egg Hunt, Medilodge.

• Sunday April 4: Happy Easter.

• Monday April 5: 10 a.m., Stretch and Tone Exercise Class, United Methodist Church; 4 p.m., MCOA Supper, Senior Center; 4 p.m., Slim and Trim Weight Loss Group, Senior Center.

• Tuesday April 6: 9 a.m., Aerobics, Rust Town Hall; 9:30 a.m., Ladies Craft Day, United Methodist Church; 5:30 p.m., Weight Watcher's, Calvary Episcopal Church;

May you all have a happy Easter with lots of Easter eggs, sunshine and smiles.

The Easter egg hunt and games for the kids is Saturday, April 3 at Medilodge. Have fun kids.

The fish fry at the VFW Hall re-opens on Friday, April 2 from 4-7 p.m.

Didn't get a chance to order your Girl Scout cookies? Do you need more girl scout cookies? Hillman Girl Scouts will be set up at the BP Gas Station on M-32 Wednesday, March 31, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. We have all kinds of Girl Scout cookies and they are \$3.50 per box. There is a new cookie this year, "Thank You Berry Munch", it's with cranberries. Hillman Girl Scouts are also in

need of more adult leaders! Contact Tina at 989-464-2090.

Congratulations and best wishes to Greg and Rachel Achatz on the birth of their twins Gavin Edward and Grady Steven who were born on Saturday, March 13 in Saginaw. Their grandparents are Steve and Pam Achatz.

The Knight's of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary Art's and Craft's Show will be held Saturday, May 22 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call Marilyn Turk at 742-7724 to reserve a spot.

My son Jay was home for a few days and I joined him and two grandkids, Katie and Mark, for breakfast on Saturday.

Remember April Fool's Day is Thursday, April 1 which is tomorrow.

Best wishes for a happy wedding anniversary March 31-April 6 to Marvin and Connie Allard and to Dave and Lela Penn.

Happy Birthday wishes March 31-April 6: Tom Shumaker, Lorilee McGee, Peggy Edgar, Allen Switzer, Jennifer Wooten, Barb Vogt, Jim Saddler, Paula Robertson, Todd Elkie, Sue Shiffer, Doris Behring, Gregory Manley, Darlene Cordes, Irene Benac, Brady Robertson, Doug Klann, John Blanz, Mike Cramer, Diane Lis, Barb Keetch, Linda Pollard, Travis Schalk, Matthew Oswald, Stephanie Shooks, Spencer James, Joshua Fuhrman, Michael Wilkins, Darwin Steinke, Patty Ross, Nicole Fessler, Michelin Scramlin, Sandy Cook and Wyatt Cooke.

Be good to each other, have a great Easter holiday and let me know what's happening. Send your news to me, 611 W. Third St., Hillman, MI 49746 or call me 989-742-4091.

## Hillman Elementary Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration will be held during the Education Fair on the April 15 from 6-8 p.m. Mrs. Marceau and Mrs. Burrone, the kindergarten teachers, will be as-

sisting you with the registration. If your child will be 5 before December 1, 2010, they are eligible to enter kindergarten. To register your child you will need your child's birth certificate, immunization record, proof of a vision screen, and proof of residency. We will also

be registering students in the office during normal business hours if you are unable to register that evening. Call Mrs. Olson if you have questions about kindergarten. We understand this is a giant leap for you and your child and are eager to help in any way.

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## School Lunches

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April 5-April 9**  
**Monday** – No School  
**Tuesday** – Breakfast: Bagel w/ cream cheese or cereal. Lunch: Chicken tenders, smiley fries, corn, fruit & veggie bar  
**Wednesday** – Breakfast: donut or cereal. Lunch: Hot ham & cheese sandwich, tator tots, green beans, fruit & veggie bar  
**Thursday** – Breakfast: Ham, egg & cheese muffin or cereal. Lunch: Pizza, corn, fruit & veggie bar  
**Friday** – Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, hash browns or cereal. Lunch: Frito boat (corn chips w/ chili), mixed veggies, fruit & veggie bar

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## Library Update:

Books from the Montmorency County Library System

The Hillman-Wright Branch of the Montmorency County Public Libraries would like to extend a special thank you to the Lappan Agency of Alpena for their generous donation.

A note on parking: We know that the parking situation in Hillman is not any fun right now, and with our limited spaces at the library we would like to inform our patrons that the municipal lot adjacent to the Hillman-Wright Branch is open and available for parking.

*The Cross Gardener by Jason F. Wright*

Married and the father of a young daughter, John Bevan had finally found the traditional family he lacked as an orphaned child. But all that disappears when a fatal car accident steals away his wife-and the unborn child she carried.

Filled with sorrow, John withdraws from life and love. He erects a small cross at the scene of his wife's accident and visits daily, grieving. Then one morning he encounters a young man kneeling before the cross, touching it up with white paint. John's conversations and travels with this mysterious man-known to him only as the Cross Gardener-will forever change his world.

*The Teaberry Strangler by Laura Childs*

It was the Dickensian evening Theodosia Browning had been hoping for. Charleston shop-owners dressed in cloaks of yore threw open their back doors to visitors, who took advantage of bargains and Theodosia's delicious teas. But later, the alleys clear except for one body, which a horrified Theodosia discovers. It's Daria, the map store's owner. Locals have shown interest in buying her shop-but enough to kill? Plus there's been a customer hell-bent on acquiring a not-for-sale map. Most alarming of all theories, however, is Detective Tidwell's: the killer mistook Daria for Theodosia. And if that theory holds, the killer's work isn't done.

## The "Scoop" from Brush Creek Mill

### Spring events are in the works

During the past several weeks, the volunteers at Brush Creek Mill have begun planning for our spring and summer activities. During the cold weather we have been open Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and this will continue during April. Spring hours will begin the first week in May, open five days a week, Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 4 p.m.

We have some classes on the schedule beginning after Easter. Allan Currie will resume his kid's classes, Saturday, April 17. They are as follows:

- 9-10 a.m. Beginning Electronics (ages 8 and up)
- 10-11 a.m. Advanced Electronics (ages 8 and up)
- 11 a.m.-Noon Puppetry (ages 7 to adult)
- 1 p.m.-2 p.m. Beginning Woodworking (ages 7 and up)
- 2 p.m.-3 p.m. Advanced Woodworking (ages 8 and up)

There will be a "Meet the Teacher" day on Saturday, April 10 from 9 a.m.-Noon. Parents are encouraged to attend this meeting to learn more about the classes. Supply lists and cost will be available at the meeting.

Saturday, April 10 at 10 a.m. Becky Sullivan will hold the French Mill Soap making class. To register, please call the mill.

The Paper Piecing Quilt Class is scheduled for May 21 at Noon. There are 2 spaces open for the class at this time. If you are interested, please call the Mill at 989-742-2527.

April 10 the Scrapbook hobbyists will meet at the mill from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There is no charge to participate with this group. Join in to share ideas and conversation.

The first big event at Brush Creek Mill is the Yard Sale, May 29 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 12'x12' spaces are \$15 each. The Mill places ads in the Tribune, the Alpena News and all local radio stations. And will distribute flyers in the area. When cleaning out the garage and the basement this year, remember to save those treasures to sell at the yard sale or donate to the mill. Donated items can be brought to the mill beginning Saturday, May 1.

## Download IRS tax forms from the internet:

Taxpayers in need of 1040 and other tax forms can download and print them on a personal computer from the IRS's website. Got to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) and links to a number of common tax forms will appear on the left side of the page. A complete listing of downloadable forms and instructions is available at [www.irs.gov/formspubs](http://www.irs.gov/formspubs). All of these forms are in Adobe Reader format. To download the latest version of Adobe Reader, go to <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>



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# Hillman winter sports awards results

The Hillman Community School winter sports awards were held at the Hillman School on March 22. Scholar Athletes sponsored by the Athletic Boosters: Cheerleading, Lean Pesonen; Boys Basketball, Ryan Banks; Girls Basketball, Alissa Clink, Amber Kolcan, Amanda Kennard.

The girls basketball team finished the season with 12 wins and 10 losses overall, and with eight wins and six losses in the North Star League.

MVP was Chelsea Stevens and Maci Schook; MIP, Laurie Price; Spark Plug, Courtney Jones and Randi Edgar; Varsity Basketball Dedication Award, Kayla Balong, Amber Kolcan; Captains, Chelsea Stevens, Courtney Jones and Maci Schook; NSL All Conference, 1st team, Maci Schook, 2nd team, Chelsea Stevens. Basketball Cheerleading, MVP, Hallie Calender, MIP, Kaylee Olson.

The boys basketball team finished the season with 20 wins and two losses overall and 13 wins and one loss in the North Star League.

MVP was Andrew Smith and Devon Shumaker; MIP, Jonathan Robinson; Best Defense, Devon Shumaker; Best Offensive, Andrew Smith; Spark Plug, Lance Safford; Varsity Basketball Dedication Award, Ryan Banks; Captains, Andrew Smith, Lance Safford, Ryan Banks and Devon Shumaker; NSL All Conference, 1st team, Andrew Smith, 2nd team, Devon Shumaker, Honor Mention, Lance Safford and Jonathan Robinson.

The Junior Varsity boys basketball had 20 wins and 0 losses.

# March is Professional Social Work Month: Social Workers Inspire Community Action

by Tanya Blackmer, LMSW, Licensed Clinical and Medical Social Worker

In every community, there are people who go above and beyond their usual work to make a significant difference in the lives of thousands. These advocates can come from every discipline, but many times they are social workers.

Social work is a profession for those with a strong desire to help improve people's lives. Social workers assist people by helping them cope with issues in their everyday lives, deal with their relationships, and solve personal and family problems. Some social workers help clients who face a disability or a life-threatening disease or a social problem, such as inadequate housing, unemployment, or substance abuse. Social workers also assist families that have serious domestic conflicts, sometimes involving child or spousal abuse. Some social workers conduct research, advocate for improved services, engage in systems design or are involved in planning or policy development.

In schools, social workers often serve as the link between student's families and the school, working with parents, guardians, teachers, and other school officials to ensure students reach their academic and personal potential. In addition, they address problems such as misbehavior, truancy, and teenage pregnancy and advise teachers on how to cope with difficult students. Increasingly, school social workers teach workshops to entire classes.

Some social workers specialize in services for senior citizens. These social workers may run support groups for the children of aging parents; they advise elderly people or family members about housing, transportation, long-term care, other services, and coordinate and monitor these services.

Medical and public health social

workers provide psychosocial support to people, families, or vulnerable populations so they can cope with chronic, acute or terminal illnesses, such as Alzheimer's disease, cancer, or AIDS. They also advise family caregivers, counsel patients, and help plan for patient's needs after discharge from hospitals. They may arrange for at-home services, such as Meals-on-Wheels or home care. Medical and public health social workers may work for hospitals, nursing and personal care facilities, rehab centers, individual and family services agencies, or local governments.

Social Workers have the right education, experience, and dedication to help people help themselves whenever they need it. Social Workers have advanced educational preparation and practice experience. A Master's in Social Work (MSW) is the predominant social work degree for licensed social workers, with a minimum number of hours in supervised fieldwork. Social workers' most frequent specialty practice areas are mental health (37%), child welfare/family (13%), and aging (9%).

The Department of Veterans Affairs, the largest employer of social workers in the country. It employs more than 6,000 social workers to assist veterans and their families with individual and family counseling, client education, end of life planning, substance abuse treatment, crisis intervention, and other services.

Forty percent of mental health professionals working with the Red Cross Disaster Services Human Resources (DSHR) system are social workers.

There are hundreds of social workers in national, state, and local elected office, including two U.S. Senators, including Michigan's own Senator Debbie Stabenow, six U.S. Representatives, and Michigan Representative Terry Brown.

Julie Wells is a local School Social Worker who is employed by the Alpena-Montmorency-Alcona Educational Service District (AMA-ESD) and she works in the Atlanta, Alpena and Hillman Schools. Julie works with individual students,

families, groups and classrooms. Her services include crisis intervention, consultation with school staff, finding community resources for students and families and she is part of an assessment team for special education and at-risk students. Julie is active in local committees such as: Montmorency County Community Collaborative; Montmorency/Oscoda Child Protection Committee; Montmorency County Wraparound Community Team Committee, and Montmorency County Project Connect. She is the AMA-ESD's Crisis Prevention Senior Instructor who provides training to school staff, parents, and other individuals in non-violent crisis intervention skills. Julie has been a social worker in Montmorency County for the past 17 years.

Tanya Blackmer is a local Licensed Clinical and Medical Social Worker, from Atlanta, who also has a Specialty Certification in Gerontology (Aging). She has a private practice, HOUSECALLS: A Family and Senior Support Service, and she provides counseling for seniors and disabled persons in their homes who are having difficulty coping with the changes in their lifestyle (loss of driving, retirement changes, moving from long-time home), loss of a spouse, medical challenges or having difficulty navigating and acquiring community resources. Tanya serves on the Montmorency Resource Connections group, the Senior Super Board in Gaylord, the Consumer Advisory Committee in Alpena, and the Aging Special Interest Group of NASW in Lansing. Tanya has travelled to Virginia and Louisiana after hurricanes and to Kansas after flooding, representing the Red Cross Mental Health Team (DSHR) and she also is a local Red Cross volunteer responding to Montmorency County fires and disasters. Tanya belongs to two national social work organizations: NASW and SSWLHC and the American Society on Aging. Tanya was named Social Worker of the Year by her Society of Social Work Leadership in Health Care (SSWLHC) peers in 2006. To contact Tanya call 785-4444.



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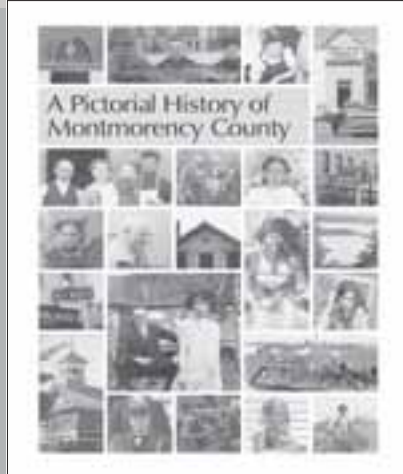
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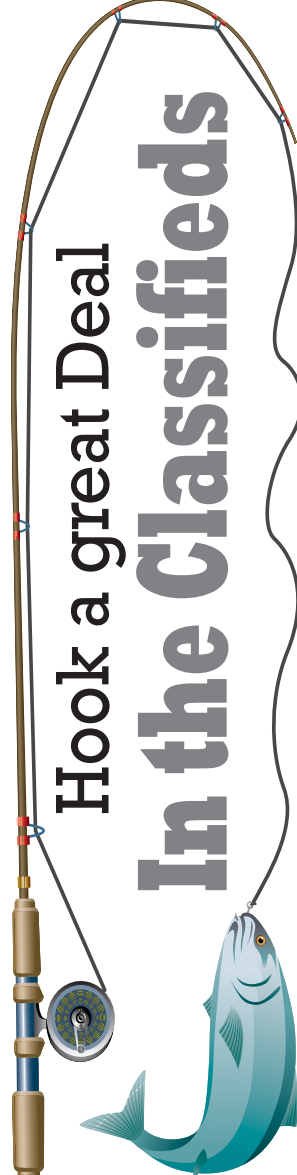
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## Hillman Senior Meals:

*Served at the Hillman Senior Center*

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- Tuesday, April 6:** Roast beef, mashed potatoes, corn, tossed salad, oranges.
- Wednesday, April 7:** Pork steak, oven brown potatoes, peas & carrots, cabbage marshmallow salad, applesauce.
- Thursday, April 8:** Corn flake chicken, baked potatoes w/sour cream, green beans, fruit.
- Monday, April 12:** Goulash, veggie blend, tossed salad, fruit cocktail.
- Tuesday, April 13:** Cooks choice
- Wednesday, April 14:** Hot beef sandwich, mashed potatoes, asparagus, applesauce.
- Thursday, April 15:** Baked fish, oven browned potatoes, peas, coleslaw, corn bread, apricots.
- Monday, April 19:** Meatloaf, au gratin potatoes, corn, fruit salad w/marshmallow and coconut.
- Tuesday, April 20:** BBQ on a bun, baked potatoes w/sour cream, fresh veggies, ranch dip, fruit.
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- Monday, April 26:** Chicken & dumplings, carrots, 3-bean salad, pears.
- Tuesday, April 27:** Spring fling
- Wednesday, April 28:** Birthday dinner, turkey dinner, cake & ice cream.
- Thursday, April 29:** Roast pork w/gravy, boiled potatoes, cauliflower w/cheese, applesauce.

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## Hook a great Deal In the Classifieds



# All Around Atlanta

by Gloria Schultz

• Wednesday, March 31: 9 a.m., Exercise, Senior Center; 1-4 p.m., Baby Basket, Atlanta Congregational Church; 2-4 p.m., Senior Citizens Crochet Class, Senior Center; 3:30 p.m., Girl Scouts, Elementary School Room 163; 6:30-7:30 p.m., Exercise Fitness Class, Atlanta School

• Thursday, April 1: 9:30 a.m., TOPS, Senior Center; 11 a.m., Water Aerobics, A Win-Sands Motel; Noon, Atlanta Lions Club Luncheon, Eagles Club; 8 p.m., AA and NA, Briley Township Park Office

• Friday, April 2: 9 a.m., Exercise, Senior Center; 1 p.m., Good Friday Service, Atlanta Bible Church; 4:30-7:30 p.m., American Legion Good Friday Baked Fish Dinner, Post 201, Jerome Street

• Saturday, April 3: 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Atlanta Chamber Of Commerce Easter Party, Briley Park Pavilion

• Sunday, April 4: Easter Sunday

• Monday, April 5: 9 a.m., Exercise, Senior Center; 6:30-7:30 p.m., Exercise Fitness Class, Atlanta School; 6:30 p.m., Cub Scout Troop 3089, Assembly Of God Church Hall; 8 p.m., NA and AA, Briley Township Park Office

• Tuesday, April 6: 10 a.m., Water Aerobics, A Win-Sands Motel; 3 p.m., Knit Pickers Knitting Guild, Atlanta Congregational Church Basement; 5:30 p.m., Big Money Bingo, Eagles Club; 5:30 p.m., Weight Watchers, Calvary Episcopal Church

Hello, Atlanta! I want to wish everyone a Happy Easter! Watch out for the kids who are on Spring Break, as they will be out and about with this sunny weather.

Happy belated birthday to Lana Hummel who celebrated on March 22, from David, Sharon, Mom, and Bob.

Special Happy Birthday wishes go to my favorite niece, Kari Olney, who celebrates on April 3, with lots of love, and good wishes from her Mom and Dad, Jim, Gramma, and me.

Happy birthday wishes this week go to Tiffany Needham, Terri Comfort, Jason Lowes, Anna Williams, and David Fish, March 31; Glenda Schmidt, and Dianne Yonen, April 1; Morgan Potter, and Claudia Wolter, April 2; Linda Duval, Amy Dubie, Kristie Clickner, Allison Ellis, Vivian Weaver, and Richard J. Garcia, April 3; Jacob Dobbyn, Mike Stephenson, and Lisa Root, April 4; Aaron Gadille, Roger Ellis, Jr., Earl Juergens, Maggie Winans, Mike Hodges, Savannah Folsom, and Mary Bickley, April 5; David Bickley, Brendon Dice, Bev Cornell, Jeanine Tibbels, Duane Danks, Martin Brancheau, and Michael Valentine, April 6.

Happy anniversary wishes this week go to Joe and Kathy Biga, April 3; Cary

and Ruth Jackson, April; 4.

Sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Shirley Green, and Iris Aho. We will keep you in our prayers.

Congratulations to Mathew Haven and Alexanderia Long on the birth of their first child, a son, Marshall James Weston Haven, on March 9. Grandparents are Grant and the late Maryann Haven, and Mark and Julie Long.

Congratulations to Jeannie Silver and Jerry Studnicka on the birth of their baby girl, Khole May Studnicka, on March 18. She joins three sisters, at home. Grandparents are Cindy Morgan and Karen Studnicka.

The VFW Post 9489 will be taking orders for sausage for Easter. It will be ready the Friday and Saturday before Easter. To order or for more information please call Gordon Cady at 785-4036 or Doug Penn at 785-3486.

The Atlanta Chamber of Commerce will host an Easter Party on Saturday, April 3, for children ages 0-12, at Briley Park Pavilion, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Games, plastic eggs, pancake breakfast (free for the kids), prizes, and pictures are \$2 each. All children are welcome.

The Atlanta Band will hold a band marathon on Friday, April 9, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.. Band members will perform, and will be gathering pledges from individuals and businesses. The public is welcome to attend. Proceeds go to the Band Booster Fund.

Lee Luck of the Census 2010 campaign wants people to know there will be testing for census workers every Tuesday at 10 a.m. and Thursday at 2 p.m., through April 10, at the Michigan Works office. There will also be walk in testing on Thursday, April 1, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at the Michigan Works! office.

The Uptown Girls Red Hat Society will meet for their monthly luncheon on Wednesday, April 14, at J & B's Bar and Grill in Vienna. New members are always welcome.

The Montmorency County Right To Life will meet Wednesday, April 14 at 2 p.m. at Jesus, The Good Sheppard Catholic Church Social Hall, when they will plan the Mother's Day ad for the newspaper.

If you have any news you would like to put in the column, please contact me by Thursday evening (My deadline is 10 a.m. Friday) at one of the following: gjschultz@voyager.net; 785-4771; or 10955 S. Baker Rd, Atlanta, MI 49709. Thanks and have a safe and happy week.

## Atlanta Schools Update

### Comments from middle school

by Teresa A. Stauffer and fifth and sixth graders

We certainly do not want to leave any voice unheard, so here are some more promised fifth and sixth grade opinions on the four-day school week.

Kaitlynn: "When I heard that we were going to have a four-day week, I was disappointed. After a week it wasn't that bad. Now I am used to it and I like it. My day seems shorter and I have no more homework. We have to correct our assignments at the end of the hour. The last thing I like is we get a longer weekend to hangout with our friends and family. So, I am glad we changed to the four-day week."

Trevor: "The four-day week is really good. Besides getting up early, which I don't mind, I barely ever have homework."

Katie: "The four-day school week is better than the five-day school week. It's better because we usually get our assignments done in one day and the week is shorter."

Taylor: "When I first heard about the four-day school week I got upset. I didn't like the idea of school being from 7:30 a.m. to 4:08 p.m. Sure, it was cool to have a three day weekend, but there would be so much work, and I was afraid my grades would drop. The worst part would be when I got home I wouldn't have much time to relax. I would just eat dinner, take a shower, and then go to sleep. Then it would repeat. There were reasons for anyone to dislike a four-day school week.

Once the four-day week started, it wasn't anything like I thought it would be. We got more accomplished, and my grades didn't drop. I actually like the four-day week! Before this all started I thought I was going to hate it. But I actually have come to like it."

Charles: "The days are longer. We get snacks and have more homework. I don't like it."

We still have more to come. Enjoy the expressions of our students. When you see students of all ages, ask them how it is going.

If you have comments, concerns, or questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office by calling 898.785.4877 or email: tstauffer@atlanta.k12.mi.us.

## Benefit Game:



ATLANTA HUSKIE Ryan Vandercook goes for a layup as Corrections Officer Mike Braun attempts to block during the benefit basketball game held at Atlanta High School last Tuesday evening. The Sheriff Deputies put up a good fight, but the Atlanta high school team won the game 86-67. The event raised money for Atlanta students to attend the Central Michigan Boys and Girls basketball skills camp this summer. Other fundraising events are being planned and anyone wishing to make a donation can contact Ron Blewett at 306-2902.

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## Canada Creek Ranch news:

by Barbara Ann Steele

We wish a happy birthday to Eric Erickson and Dutch Smith, March 31; Jack Diehl and Bev Page, April 2; Ron Gough, April 3; Judy Schwochow, April 4; Earl Juergens and Marion Wood, April 5.

Members, the Ladies Auxiliary meets next Wednesday, April 7 with refreshments at 10 a.m. and meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Congratulations to Rebecca Wood, 9, of Oxford who has been performing the past few weeks in two dance competitions in the Dance Master of Michigan Competitions in the Southern Michigan area. She earned 2 High Golds, 4 Golds and 1 High Silver award. In the Revolution Dance Competitions she earned 5 Platinum's (the highest award) and 2 High Golds. Rebecca performs solos, duos and trio dances in Tap, Jazz, Lyrical (Ballet) and Acrobatics. Rebecca is the granddaughter of members Webb and Marion Wood and the daughter of Tim and Staci Wood.

During the Winter Olympics member Ross Luxon attended the hockey game between the Slovakia and Russia women at the British Columbia University ice rink. To get to the rink Ross boarded a huge two-part bus that had an "accordion" center. With the bus so crowded and noisy no one could hear the driver shout from the front of the bus to stay out of the "accordion" for then the bus stops automatically. The driver had to walk to the middle of the bus to tell them to stay out of the "accordion". Consequently, they arrived at the rink a few minutes after the hockey game started.

We send our sympathies to Roger and Carol Drouin upon the death of 10-1/2 year old loyal four-legged companion "Dharma" while they were on vacation. Dharma will be dearly missed.

If you have any news, please contact me by Thursday evening (my deadline is Friday at 10 a.m.) at one of the following: 989-785-4865; 8424 Brown Trail, Atlanta MI 49709; or bastele@racc2000.com.



## Michigan's jobless rate declines slightly in February

Michigan's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in February edged downward by two-tenths of a percentage point over the month to 14.1 percent, according to data released today by the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth (DELEG). Total

employment increased by 13,000 in February while unemployment declined by 9,000. The state's labor force rose slightly by 4,000 over the month. The U.S. jobless rate was unchanged at 9.7 percent in February.

The state's jobless rate in February 2010 was two and one-tenth percentage points above the February 2009 rate of 12.0 percent. The national jobless rate increased by one and a half percentage points over this period.

"The state's unemployment rate has fallen slightly in the first two months of 2010, however, payroll jobs have been relatively flat since the summer of 2009," said Rick Waclawek, director of DELEG's Bureau of Labor Market Information and Strategic Initiatives. "Over the last six months, Michigan job levels in construction and manufacturing have also remained stable."

## School Lunches

### Atlanta Schools Breakfast and Lunch Menu April 5-April 8

**Monday** – No School  
**Tuesday** – Breakfast: French Toast/Sausage. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mash potatoes & gravy, peas, fruit.  
**Wednesday** – Breakfast: Cereal/Yogurt. Lunch: Hamburger/bun, carrots, applesauce, brownie.  
**Thursday** – Breakfast: Hot entree. Lunch: Pizza, pineapple, salad bar (H.S.), veggie sticks (ELE)

## Montmorency County Ministerial Association offers scholarship

The Montmorency County Ministerial Association is offering a Christian Service Scholarship to graduating high school seniors in the county. This scholarship, in the amount of \$500, will be funded by the various projects sponsored by the association through the year. All applications will be reviewed by a committee of the Ministerial Association and should be mailed to Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 522, Atlanta, Michigan 49709. The deadline for all applications is Monday, May 3, 2010.

Scholarship guidelines fall into four areas. **Academics:** The applicants must provide proof of their acceptance into an institution of higher education and must provide copies of their high school transcript and college entrance test results.

**Financial Need:** A statement of financial need must accompany all applications. This may include copies of financial aid awards and educational costs documents provided by the institution of higher education.

**Essay:** Each applicant will write an essay on the topic, "What it means to be a Christian Servant." The essay must follow acceptable standards for such papers.

**Christian Ideals:** The applicant must be a graduating Montmorency County high school senior who has exemplified Christian ideals within his/her church and in service within their community. This will be evidenced by letters of recommendation from the Pastor of their church as well as a senior member of their congregation familiar with his/her church and community service activities. Preference will be given to applicants from churches who are members in good standing of the Montmorency County Ministerial Association.

The scholarship will be awarded at the academic awards ceremony of the successful applicant's high school.

## Lagoon system up and running at Landfill

by Yvonne Swager

The lagoon storage system at the landfill is now up and running. A force main system had been installed to move leachate to the lagoons so evaporation can help reduce the amount of leachate, but landfill representatives have been awaiting the okay to use the system.

At the regular landfill meeting, March 26, Sandy Cunningham, landfill administrator, said the system has been operating since last Wednesday. In an interview after the meeting, she said the system is working well.

Installation of the lagoons was originally done in hopes of discharging the leachate stored in the lagoons, saving the landfill hundreds of thousands of dollars in leachate hauling costs. Difficulty in obtaining a discharge permit, however, has postponed discharging the leachate. Instead, leachate is being stored in the lagoons with hopes evaporation will reduce volumes and cut costs.

Also discussed at the meeting was which engineering consultant firm will be the primary consultant for the landfill. Conflicts with GZA Environmental, Inc., the former primary consulting firm, prompted the landfill board to look elsewhere for engineering advice. Golder and Associates, Lansing, has been chosen as the new firm. GZA will continue to monitor air quality and groundwater at the landfill.

In other business: The landfill entered into an agreement with Albert Township regarding recycling. The township will pay \$500 quarterly as well as transportation for the recycling bin placed in the township.


The only regular landfill meeting in April will take place on April 9. Expected to attend that meeting is Bill Chynoweth, RER, with an update on the gasification project.




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## Kids' Corner

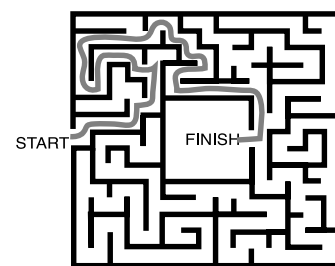
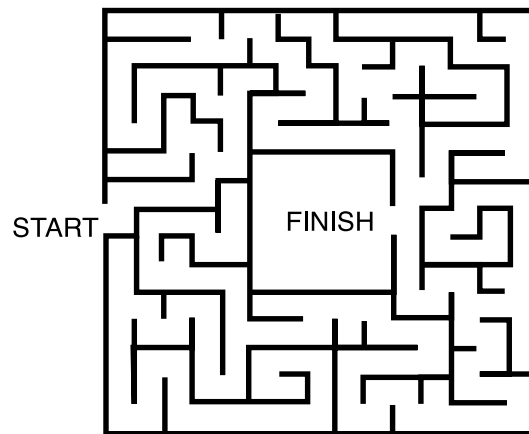


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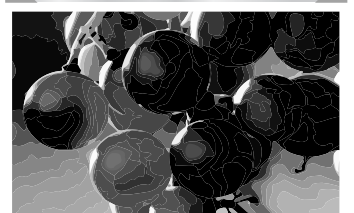
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## Faith & Family:

# A week in history



by Roger Steele, Pastor,  
Atlanta Bible Church

We have entered into the celebration of the greatest week in His story (history) which we call Passion Week, or Holy Week. This great week began last Sunday with what is called Palm Sunday. On this day, the church celebrates the Lord's triumphant entry into the city of Jerusalem. This is when the people proclaimed Christ as their king, as Jesus rode upon the colt of a donkey while the people cheered and exalted Him as their king. They used palm branches to wave as He entered into the city, shouting Hosanna, which means "O save us now."

These people were looking for the Messiah to save them from the present oppression of the government.

This great week continues as many churches celebrate the Last Supper on what is known as Maundy Thursday. Jesus called his disciples to an upper room where they celebrated Passover and at the end of the meal, broke the bread and shared the cup. We call the breaking of the bread and shared cup communion, today.

Good Friday follows with the six hours of Christ's death on the cross, when we often speak in our churches about the seven last words from the cross. The very Son of God offered Himself, the sinless one, as the greatest sacrifice for sin when He died on the cross for all mankind.

The celebration of Passion Week extends to the next Sunday we call Easter. Easter is the time when we celebrate the fact that Jesus Christ, God's only son, rose from the dead after three days. The story of the resurrection separates Christian-

ity from all other religions, because unlike all other religions, we have a living Savior. I will never tire of the privilege of telling about the risen Lord as He met Mary in the garden after she had seen the empty tomb. There is also the story of Jesus walking on the road to Emmaus with two of his followers as He explains to them the wonderful events everyone is talking about in their community. The celebration of the risen Lord is truly a story that never grows old, because we are reminded from scripture that, because He lives, there is the hope of the resurrection for all who believe.

Many churches begin the day with a sunrise service on Easter. One of the most memorable sunrise services I have been a part of took place in Pitcher, NY, where the service was held in the cemetery behind the church. It was a very cold morning as a small group gathered in this place for the dead. We shared the old story of how, when the disciples came to the tomb, they found it was

empty. The angel told them not to be afraid, for Jesus had risen from the dead. What a great time that was, as we were there in the place of the dead, knowing we serve a living Savior, Jesus, who conquered sin and death when He rose from the dead on that first Easter morning.

You are invited to attend the community Good Friday service to be held at Atlanta Bible Church at 1 p.m. on Friday April 2. I would like to encourage you to attend a place of worship, especially Easter Sunday, as we celebrate the greatest week in His story (history). Don't make this a once a year occasion, but come and worship at the church of your choice each and every week.

*Editor's Note: This is the first installment of our new Faith and Family column. Each week, we will bring our readers a column on matters of faith, family, and living, written by an area pastor or clergy member. Pastors wishing to contribute to the column can contact the Tribune at 785-4214.*

## Legislative News:

### Sen. Stamas announces new chief of staff:

State Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland, recently appointed Jennifer Bowman as his new chief of staff. Bowman of Grand Rapids, has a diverse and well-rounded background. Previously she worked as Stamas' director of policy, communications and office operations and has worked for Stamas in both legislative chambers. The 36<sup>th</sup> Senate District consists of the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Crawford, Gladwin, Iosco, Midland, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda and Otsego.

### Bipartisan team introduces Patients' Right to Know Act:

Republican and Democratic members of the House Energy and Commerce Committee introduced H.R. 4803, the Patients Right to Know Act on March 10. The act is a bipartisan health reform proposal designed to empower consumers with the information they need to make decisions about their health care. The bill removes many barriers that deny patients and medical providers access to the information they need to make informed decisions; provides consumers with access to information about items and services on health insurance options, coverage, participating providers, and costs; provides medical professionals with the ability to know the amount of reimbursement a particular health insurance plan will provide for a particular service and the balance a patient will be responsible for, and provides for public access to charges people can expect to pay for hospital care.

### IRS outlines steps to assist unemployed taxpayers and others:

The IRS is taking additional steps this tax season to help people having difficulties meeting their tax obligations because of unemployment or other financial problems. IRS employees will now be permitted to consider a taxpayer's current income and potential for future income when negotiating an offer in compromise, which is an agreement between a taxpayer and the IRS to settle the taxpayer's debt for less than the full amount owed. The IRS will continue to offer other help to taxpayer's including: Postponement of collection actions in certain hardship cases as well as added flexibility for missed payments on installment agreements and offers in compromise for previously compliant individuals having difficulty paying. "We understand how difficult things are for a lot of people right now," Luis D. Garcia, the MI IRS spokesman said. "We at the IRS are focused on helping folks trying their best to meet their tax obligations by making their load a little lighter right now."

### Seniors receive assistance with prescription drug costs:

The Social Security Administration announced changes that will allow more Medicare beneficiaries to be eligible for the Extra Help program to defray Medicare prescription drug plan costs. The Extra Help program helps seniors with limited income pay for monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and prescription drug co-payments associated with their Medicare prescription drug plan. Changes in the law ease certain resource and income limits required to qualify for the Extra Help program, opening it up to more seniors. To qualify for the program, an individual's annual income must be less than \$16,245 (\$21,855 for a married couple living together). Under the new provisions, seniors who receive assistance to help pay for household expenses, including rent, food, utilities and property taxes - would no longer have that counted against their income eligibility. Applications for the Extra Help program will also trigger the application process for Medicare Savings Programs, or state programs that provide help with other Medicare costs, including Medicare Part B premiums.

### U.S. Department of Commerce imposes tariffs on paper

The U.S. Department of Commerce has imposed preliminary tariffs on coated paper imports from China and Indonesia. The ruling was made following a petition from members of the U.S. coated paper industry, including NewPage Corporation, asking the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. International Trade Commission to impose duties to offset the Chinese and Indonesian government subsidization and dumping of coated paper products. "The pulp and paper industry is a major economic driver in northern Michigan and this decision by the Department of Commerce will help make sure companies like NewPage and other pulp and paper producers are not hurt by unfair trade practices that jeopardize American jobs," Bart Stupak said. In April, a preliminary decision will be made on anti-dumping tariffs. These preliminary tariffs could become permanent once the Department of Commerce makes a final determination, expected to be sometime this fall.

## The Can't Hardly Lumber Company

...and other tales of growing up  
in Montmorency County

# A Ghost Town

written by Craig Sherwood in  
1932 or 1933

Last summer, Bob and I went on a week's camping trip. On the way back we came upon on an old smoke trail through the country and it was a hot day. Each step we took, little clouds of dust rose up. Our packs were heavy and I was really thirsty. We had walked about two hours and we were just hiking along, rather mechanically, hoping that over the next hill we would see the old cinder bed. We knew that when we reached it we would find plenty of shade and a drink of cold water from a spring.

At last we came over the brow of a hill and below us was a wide valley. At the top of the hill was a narrow plain which sloped down to the edge of the swamp. The road went down the hill and turned to the right, worming along the edge of the swamp. Directly in front of us and extending to the right along the swamp were several branched trails on woods of cinder. We had come to the old cinder bed.

We went down to the edge of the swamp, located the spring, and washed and got dinner. After we had eaten we went out under a wild apple tree and lay down on the grass. Back on the hill we had come down there was an old log cabin hidden by the brush. As I looked at it I seemed to drift back to the old logging days when the now so-called old cinder bed was a flowering timber town called Valentine. It was a headquarters of the D. & M. Railroad, which explained the long branching beds of fine black cinders. The railroad company had their engine shop there and they used to clean out the flues and fire box of the engines. In my mind's eye, I could see the long main street running parallel and on the opposite side of the railroad with its row

of buildings on the far side at the foot of the hill.

At one side of the street was a blacksmith's shop with two teams tied to the rail before the wide, open-fronted structure. From within came the clang of the anvil. Next there was an old shed that was used as a general catch-all. The next building in line was the general store and post office. It had a high false front and a roof that extended from the front of the building out over the board walk, forming a sort of canopy. Under this were several men sitting on boxes and kegs talking over the hard times. The next building of importance was the town's one and only hotel. It had a wide porch and a veranda on which perched benches, the same as the general store. The place had a more lively air about it for there was a bar in connection with the establishment. The strains of sweet music came drifting across the street.

Going on down the board walk I saw two more stores and a saloon. At the far end of the street was an old dilapidated horse stable.

In back of these places of business were the dwelling houses. Most of the housing was on the hill; the most prominent one was the log cabin owned by old Doc Valentine. It was after this old settler that the village was named.

Over the whole place there was a feeling of laziness broken only by the occasional tromping of booted feet on the board walk or the lugging of an engine. But on Saturday you would see a great transformation. The lumber jacks and their families would be in and everything would be alive with people and voices. The street would be lined with wagons and buggies.

Just then, Bob gave me a poke

and said that we had better be hitting the trail. With a sigh I brought my thoughts back to the present and looked at old Doc Valentine's cabin perched on the hill and the old railroad bed covered with cinders. These were the only things left to mark the location of the town.

We shouldered our packs and turned our backs on one of Michigan's ghost towns.

### Notes:

*Claudia Sherwood submitted this story which was written by her father for an English class while he was a student at Michigan State College in 1932 or 1933. It features the old town site of Valentine, one of the county's early logging communities, which was also the location of a Detroit and Mackinaw Railroad engine shop. For that reason it was known as the cinder bed for years after the town and the railroad branch were deserted. Valentine was located north of Atlanta near the intersection of M-33 and Rush Lake Road.*

*The late Craig Sherwood was the son of Claude and Evelyn Sherwood. Claude was an Atlanta businessman and served as the school board president for many years. In fact, he handed my diploma to me in 1961. Evelyn was the sister of Harrison Baker and was active in many local church and community activities.*

*Claudia did not know who "Bob" was, but he might have been Bob Stevens, my father's first cousin, who was a contemporary with Craig in high school.*

*Another story involving the old hotel in Valentine will be our tale next month.*

-Dan Stevens



# Sales surge for Michigan retailers

Michigan retailers' sales and forecasts rose in Feb., surging past last winter's weak numbers, according to the latest Michigan Retail Index survey, a joint project of Michigan Retailers Association (MRA) and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

The sales index topped 50 (on a scale of 0-100) for the first time since Aug. 2007, indicating positive activity throughout the retail industry. Also snapped was a 27-month string in which the number of retailers reporting year-over-year decreases surpassed those reporting increases.

Similarly, retailers' level of optimism, as reflected in their three-month sales projections, increased to its highest level since Feb. 2006.

"These numbers are good news for the retail industry and the overall economy," said MRA President and CEO James P. Hallan. "They are even more encouraging because sales growth was spread across the industry, from furniture stores to gift, jewelry and apparel retailers."

"Looking forward, we expect the positive trend to continue," Hallan said. "Retailers posted some of their weakest numbers of the recession last March, April and May."

The Michigan Retail Index survey for Feb. found that 46 percent of retailers increased sales over the same month last year, while 39 percent recorded declines and 15 percent saw no change. The results create a seasonally adjusted performance index of 56.7, up from 49.9 in Jan.. A year ago, the index was 40.8 in February

Index values above 50 generally indicate an increase in positive activity, while values below 50 indicate a decrease.

Looking ahead, 61 percent of retailers expect sales during March thru May to improve over the same period last year, while 16 percent project a decrease and 23 percent no change. That puts the seasonally adjusted outlook index at 70.7, up from 61.8 in Jan.. A year ago the index was 44.6 in February

Note: William Strauss, Senior Economist and Economic Advisor with the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, can be reached at 312-322-8151.



A total of \$1,067 was raised by volunteers for Red Cross Month, during the month of March. The monies will stay in the county for help when disasters strike. Last year, Red Cross volunteers helped with 13 fires in the county, assisting 41 people, at a cost of over \$4,000. Pictured here are (l. to r.), Amber Johnson, Ann Reyes, and Patty Luxford. Businesses that helped with the fundraising effort included Freddie's Market, National City Bank, Morrison's IGA, Independent Bank, the Atlanta Post Office, Alpena Wal-Mart, Alpena K-Mart, and Alpena Big Lots.



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## Wolf tracks confirmed in Cheboygan County

The Department of Natural Resources and Environment and the US Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Services Division today announced they have confirmed the presence of wolves in northern Cheboygan County.

First spotted by area residents, the state and federal officials were about to confirm at least two wolves in one location; however, the landowner who made the report stated he has seen three separate sets of tracks. This is the first verification of multiple animals together in what may be described as a pack.

In early February, DNRE officials requested citizens provide wolf observation information to help conduct a survey to detect the presence of gray wolves in the Northern Lower Peninsula from February 16 through March 12.

"The purpose of the survey effort was to both verify the presence of wolves where we have previously confirmed individual animals and

to detect new occurrences in other areas," said DNRE Wildlife Biologist Jennifer Kleitch. "We need to monitor the wolf population in order to make good management recommendations and this is part of that monitoring. Given the low probability of observing a wolf or tracks in the Lower Peninsula due to the small number of animals here, it is helpful to have as many eyes looking as possible. That's why public reports are important, and in this case we were able to respond to this report and confirm tracks and other signs that there have been wolves in the area."

The DNRE is asking the public to report additional wolf sightings to the Gaylord Operations Service Center at 989-732-3541, ext. 5901. Observation reports can also be submitted online year-round at [www.michigan.gov/wolves](http://www.michigan.gov/wolves). The Web site also contains identification information for wolves.

"It's imperative that observations

are reported in a timely manner so we can work with fresh evidence. If people find what appear to be wolf tracks, they should preserve the physical evidence and disturb it as little as possible or take a photo of the tracks alongside a ruler," Kleitch said. "If someone has a photo or video of a wolf in the Lower Peninsula, we're interested in that as well."

Wolves began naturally returning to Michigan's Upper Peninsula via Canada and Wisconsin in the early 1990s. Since that time, the population has increased and continues to expand its range. Evidence of range expansion into the Lower Peninsula came when a gray wolf was accidentally killed in Presque Isle County in 2004. More recently, the DNRE verified two wolf observations in 2009 in the Northern Lower Peninsula as a result of a video taken by Michigan citizens.

## Tundra Comics...

by Chad Carpenter





# Church News:

Palms graced the altar of the **Atlanta Congregational U.C.C.** in keeping with the Palm Sunday Service.

Pat and Ben served as greeters; Bonnie Harrison, reader; Paul Bliss and Jim Sipe, ushers; and Rev. Ginny hosted the coffee hour.

Our prayers are with Marge and Warren Keith, Kathy and Lonnie Weaver and Keith Titus having surgery April 7. Our sympathy is extended to the friends and family of Shirley Green, Mary Rabe and Scott Klein.

There will be a Maundy Thursday Service of Tenebrae this Friday, April 1 at 7 p.m.

A Montmorency Ministerial Association combined Good Friday Service will be held at the Atlanta Bible Church at 1 p.m.

An Easter Sunrise Service will be held Sunday, April 4 at 8 a.m. followed by an Easter Breakfast from 8:45-10 a.m. served by the Men's Group. Everyone is invited to the Easter Service at 10:30 a.m.

Following the worship service and Easter egg hunt will be held on the Church grounds for all ages, weather permitting.

Happy Easter and Happy Spring to all!

**Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Parish** in Atlanta will have Good Friday Services on Friday, April 2, at 3 p.m. The church will be open for private prayer beginning at noon that day.

The first meeting of the CCW, our ladies group, will be held on Tuesday, April 6 at 2 p.m. We will be planning our projects for the coming months and hope that everyone will attend.

We will not have a mass on Easter weekend. However, there will be a mass at St. Augustine in Hillman at 10 a.m. on Easter Sunday.

Our regular weekly masses will resume on Saturday, April 10 at 4:30 p.m. We welcome everyone to our services-please join us!

**Big Rock Congregational Church**, Interim Pastor Dennis Boonstra led Palm Sunday worship with a sermon entitled "Our Atonement."

The youth filed in, waving palms at the beginning of the service and special music was presented by Pastor Ed and Sara Ross.

Activity Information: A Big Rock Church membership class will start Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Activities include the following: Pioneer Clubs will not meet until April 12 and Youth Group will not meet until April 11 due to Spring Break.

The next Quarterly Meeting will be held April 11 after worship. Also on April 11 there will be a Worship Task Force Meeting at 3 p.m. and at 5 p.m. New Beginnings will be held. June 12 the Father/Son Banquet will be held. VBS will be June 21 thru June 25.

The **Hillman United Methodist Church** is

pleased to announce to the community that we are making monitored, high-speed internet connections available from 3:30-5 p.m. Monday through Thursday in our Fellowship Hall.

Our Christian Sympathy goes to the families of Shirley Green and Gerald Skelton in the loss of their loved ones.

Remember to put Hazel Vanderveer on your prayer list while she is having rehabilitation. Let her know you are thinking of her by sending her a card.

Remember to bring your items for the Episcopal Church food pantry box that is in the narthex. Some of the items they need are: cereals, peanut butter, jelly and crackers. Please help provide.

The women work at the church every Tuesday from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. on their crafts and quilts. Anyone is welcome to join them. Bring a sack lunch!

Monday, April 5 at 7 p.m. the Ad Council will meet in the Shaffer fellowship hall with Mary Baur to have devotions. All officers please plan on attending.

The Leadership Training for Church Leaders and Lay Speakers is April 10, 17 and 24 in the Shaffer Fellowship Hall at the church with Pastor Don.

Please, bring in your Easter plants to help decorate our Sanctuary for this Easter Season. If you want them brought in for you, get in contact with Diane Hardies 742-3045. If you want to have your name in the bulletin, mentioning that the flowers are in honor or memory of someone, please let Mary know in the office by Wednesday, March 31.

Maundy Thursday combined Service will be held at the Spratt Church at 7 p.m. Good Friday Services will be held April 2, at 2 p.m. Easter Sunday combined Sunrise Breakfast will be at the Spratt Church at 6:30 a.m. The Easter Resurrection Celebration Service will be held at 9 a.m. Spratt Church 11 a.m.

The last combined Lenten Pot-Luck Soup Supper and Study will be held at the Hillman church on Wednesday, April 7 at 6 p.m.

The Boy Scouts will be having a Pancake Breakfast at the Spratt church on Sunday, April 11 from noon to 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome! Free will donations.

The **Lewiston Congregational United Church of Christ** will have a Maundy Thursday soup supper and communion service on Thursday, April 1 at 6:30 p.m. This service recalls Jesus' last meal, His arrest, and His imprisonment. It is held in the church's Fellowship Hall.

The Good Friday Service will be on April 2 at 7 p.m. This is a solemn service in which we come together to reflect on the Crucifixion of Christ.

The congregation would be delighted to have you choose to celebrate Easter with us on Sunday, April 4. We will start at 9 a.m. with a great breakfast of

scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, coffee, tea, milk and juice.

The morning worship service begins at 10:30 a.m. At this service we will rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord through music, scripture, prayer and the message.

Roberta Hanna will preside at the organ and Denise Makranyi will accompany on the piano. The sanctuary will be beautifully adorned with many spring plants of lilies, tulips, and hyacinths.

Due to it being Easter Sunday, there will be no Board of Diaconate meeting or coffee hour, after the morning service on April 4.

**St. John's Lutheran Church** is wishing you all a happy and blessed Easter.

Maundy Thursday worship on April 1 is "The Importance of Time Together" and April 2, the Good Friday sermon is "The Importance of Confession."

Easter Sunday, April 4, the sermon is "The Importance of Closure."

The Youth Group will serve Easter breakfast between the sunrise and the regular 10 a.m. worship service.

We welcome twins Gavin and Grady Achatz who were born March 13 in Saginaw to Greg and Rachel Achatz.

The 2010 flower chart and the Usher and Altar Guild sign up sheets are posted on the bulletin board.

Save your old sheets and pads for LWML who are making quilts for World Relief. Thank you.

The **Bethlehem Lutheran Church** Sunday School students, Chime Choir and Brass Band are preparing for the Palm Sunday walk into Jerusalem. They will be bringing their voices and artistic gifts to our Palm Sunday Divine Service at 10:30 a.m. on March 28.

Our Holy Week sched-

ule is: April 1, Maundy Thursday Service at 6 p.m.; April 2, Good Friday Service at 6 p.m.; April 4, Easter Breakfast at 9 a.m. prepared by our Men's Fellowship and finally our Easter Celebration Divine Worship at 10:30 a.m.

The Bethlehem Choir, Brass Band and Men's Fellowship are anxiously preparing for the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ by serving our members and guests on April 4th beginning at 9 a.m. All are welcome. For details contact Bethlehem at 786-3713. Pastor Steven Thiel is serving us at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

## Area Church Schedule

### Atlanta Bible Church

Pastor Roger Steele, 1/2 mile north of blinker on M-33, office 785-2088, home 785-4062  
 Sunday School ..... 10 am  
 Sunday Worship ..... 11 am  
 Sunday Eve. Bible Study 6 pm  
 Wed. Prayer Meeting ..... 6 pm

### Atlanta Church of Christ

1/2 mile north of blinker light M-33. Ministers: Jerry Robertson and Glenn Martin. Office: 785-4561  
 Sunday Bible Study ..... 10 am  
 Worship/Communion ..... 11 am  
 Evening Worship ..... 6:30 pm  
 Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:30 pm  
 Caring Place, 2nd & 4th Mon.  
*In Search of the Lord's Way* - WGTU-TV, Sundays .. 7:30 am  
 www.atlantacoc.com

### Atlanta Congregational United Church of Christ

Rev. Ginny Titus, 785-3231, Jerome St. opposite the old Atlanta Elementary School  
 Sunday Service ..... 10:30 am  
 Sunday School during service  
 Baby Basket, Wed. .... 1-4 pm

### Beaver Lake Community Church Assembly of God

9007 M-65 South, Lachine, Jack Williams, Senior Pastor  
 Christian Ed. .... Sun. 9:45 am  
 Worship Svs. .... Sun. 11 am  
 Intercessory Prayer .....  
 .... Wed. 6:30 pm  
 Royal Rangers and Impact Girls ..... Wed. 6:30 pm

### Bethlehem Lutheran Church LCMS

3805 CR 612 W., Lewiston, (989) 786-3713, Steven Thiel, Pastor  
 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class  
 Sun. .... 9 am  
 Wed. .... 10 am  
 Divine Service:  
 Sun. .... 10:30 am

### Big Rock Congregational Church

Office, 785-2062, Youth Pastor Ed Ross, 785-5209  
 4 miles west of Atlanta, M-32  
 www.bigrockchurch.org  
 Bible Study ..... 9:15 am  
 Morning Worship ..... 10:30 am  
 Crossroads Youth ..... 4-6 pm  
**Monday:**  
 Pioneer Club ..... 4:30-6 pm  
 Men's Bible Study ..... 8 pm  
**2nd Tuesday of the Month:**  
 Ladies Fellowship ..... 1 pm  
**Wednesday:**  
 Women's Bible Study meets at 1 and 6:30 pm  
 (many other small groups meet weekly)

### Calvary Episcopal Church

330 State St., Hillman. Office 742-3111  
 Sunday Service and Church School ..... 11 am  
 Weekday Morning Prayer .....  
 .... Tue. - Fri. 9:00 a.m.  
 ECW ..... third Sunday  
 Food Pantry Hours:  
 2nd and 4th Thurs., 2 to 4 pm  
 Vestry ..... Second Wed., 6 pm

### Community Baptist Church

15860 State St., Hillman  
 Pastor Jim Killion, 989-742-4385  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
 Sun. Worship Service ... 11 am  
 Tues. Prayer & Bible Study .. 6 pm

### Christian Science Society

209 W. First, Ste. 103, Gaylord. Info: (989) 732-7001  
 Service/Sunday ..... 10:30 am  
 2nd Wednesday ..... 8 pm  
 April - November

### Comins Mennonite Church

Kevin Salsbury, 4263 N. First St. W., Comins, MI 48619. 989-848-2909, cominsmenonite@i2k.com  
 Sunday School ..... 10 am  
 Worship Service ..... 11 am

### Emma Lowery Congregational United Church of Christ

Everyone is welcome as you are. Ron Carter, Pastor, 826-5503  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
 Morning Worship ..... 11 am

### Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church

Pastor Dale Jaech, 24640 Veteran's Mem. Hwy., Hillman. Evangelical Lutheran Synod affiliated with Wisconsin Synod  
 Worship ..... 11 am  
 Sun School ..... 9:30 am  
 Wed School ..... 3:30 pm  
 Wed Bible Class ..... 7 pm

### Family Ministry Center

David Fisher, Pastor. Corner of Michelson and Mantz Streets, Lewiston, MI, 785-4657 church; 785-4791.  
 Tues. Bible Study ..... 1 pm  
 That Thursday Thing ..... 6 pm  
 Youth Activities ..... Please Call

### Full Bible Chapel of Lewiston

Co. Rd. 612, east of Lewiston, north side of road, 786-4138  
 Sunday School ..... 10 am  
 Services ..... 11 am & 6 pm  
 Service, Wed. .... 6:30 pm

### First Baptist Church of Atlanta SBC

Pastor Kim T. Johnson, 785-4788, Corner of Co. Rd. 489 & Lake 15 Rd., Atlanta, 1/4 mile west of high school  
 Family Sun. School ..... 10 am  
 Worship Services ..... 11 am

### First Baptist Church, Onaway

Pastor Denver Dekeyster, 989-733-8013, corner of S. Lynn and Elsdon St.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
 Worship Service ..... 11 am  
 Evening Service ..... 6 pm  
 Wed. Bible Study and Prayer ..... 7 pm

### First Baptist Church of Lewiston

Pastor Don Evilsizer, Co. Rd. 612, Lewiston; 786-3095  
 Sunday School ..... 10 am  
 Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm  
 Wed. Family Night ..... 6:30 pm  
 Men's Prayer, Fri. .... 9 am

### Full Gospel Church

David Fisher, Pastor, M-32 West, Atlanta, 785-4657  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
 Service ..... 11 am & 6 pm  
 Missionettes & Royal Rangers, Wed. .... 6 pm  
 Bible Study, Wed. .... 6 pm

### Greely Baptist Church (ABC)

Bruce Rubin, Pastor, Lachine  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 am  
 Worship ..... 10:30 am  
 Prayer/Bible, Wed. .... 7 pm

### Hetherton Reformed Presbyterian Church

3 miles north of Vienna at 1200 Meridian Line Rd.  
 Sunday School ..... 10 am  
 Service ..... 11 am

### Hillman Free Methodist Church

Pastor Robert Coen  
 341 W. Third, 742-4025  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 am  
 Sunday Worship ..... 10:45 am  
 Wed. Crafters Meet ..... 7 p.m.  
 Wed. Bible Study ..... 7 p.m.  
 Thurs. Barnabus Ministry .. 7 p.m.  
 Fri. Basketball ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Sat. Volleyball ..... 6:30 p.m.

### Holy Cross Lutheran Church

Pastor Joshua Ketelsen, Corner of M-68 and Glasier Rd., Onaway, Church 989-733-8412  
 www.holycrossonaway.com  
 Adult Bible Class ..... 8:45 am  
 Sunday School ..... 10 am  
 Worship Service ..... 10 am

### Jesus The Good Shepherd Catholic Church

Rev. Raymond C. Cotter, 742-4542, Co. Rd. 487, Atlanta Mass, Sat. .... 4:30 pm  
 Penance: ..... by appointment  
**Johannesburg Christian Church**  
 Pastor Scott Scheer, 989-705-7456, Johannesburg  
 Worship Service .. 10-11:30 am  
**Joy Community Church**  
 Pastor Chris Raspar, 989-733-4626  
 Worship ..... 10:45 am  
 at Onaway Comm. Center, children's church and nursery provided.

### Lewiston Congregational United Church of Christ

3191 Kneeland Street, Rev. Toby J. Stadden, Minister, (989) 786-4764  
 Worship ..... 10:30 am

### Liberty Baptist Church

Pator Larry Kirby  
 14267 Carney Rd., Lachine, MI 49753, 379-4777.  
 Sunday School ..... 10-11 am  
 Coffee Hour ..... 11-11:30 am  
 Worship ..... 11:30-12:30 am  
 Prayer/Bible, Wed. .... 7 pm

### Lighthouse Fellowship Church Non-denominational

24400 Veterans Memorial Hwy., Hillman, Jerry Huffman, Pastor; for information, call Wes Smith, 989-742-4137; John Merrill, 989-354-4841; Della Licht, 785-4980

### Sunday Service ..... 11 am

Sunday School ..... 10 am  
 Sun. Eve Service ..... 3:00 pm  
 Bible Study, Wed. .... 7:00 pm  
 Food Center Distribution, Fourth Wednesday ... 12-2 pm

### Lovells Community Chapel

8133 Bald Hill Rd. Lovells, MI 989-348-2701  
 Pastor Rev. Larry Hankins  
 Sunday School ..... 10 am  
 Worship Service ..... 11 am  
 Bible Study ..... Wed. 7 pm

### Maple Grove Community Church

Rust Township  
 Pastor Peter Smith, 22109 Cohoon Road  
 For information call 785-4156  
 Church ..... 11 am  
 Sunday School ..... 10 am

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## More Church News...

**Atlanta Bible Church** will host the community Good Friday service at 1 p.m. on Friday, April 2. Everyone is welcome to attend. Pastor Peter Smith will be speaking and special music will be provided by the folks of Big Rock Church.

Easter Sunday at the Bible Church will start with a breakfast at 9:30 a.m. There will be plenty of food, so feel free to come. At 11 a.m. a wonderful Easter service is planned.

For more information on these or any other activities of the church, call Pastor Roger Steele at 785-2088 or 785-4062.

Palm Sunday, Pastor Dave Fisher delivered a message of sincere worship, at the **Full Gospel Assembly of God**.

One Friday, April 2, the Community Good Friday Service is scheduled at 1 p.m. at the Atlanta Bible Church.

Please take notice in the church bulletin of the summer camp schedule at Lost Valley Bible Camp, and mark it on your calendar. April is a busy month for birthdays and anniversary's for our church family and our Family Ministry Center in Lewiston. The list is in this week's bulletin.

Please be sure to read the Palm Sunday and Easter issues of Today's Pentecostal Evangel and pass the papers on the others to enjoy.

The first Sunday of the

month is Communion Service time and also Boys and Girls Missionary Challenge money collection time.

We want to wish everyone a blessed Easter Sunday.

The schedule for Holy Week services at **Hillman's Calvary Episcopal Church** follows.

Maundy Thursday traditional Holy Eucharist service at 7:00 p.m. with Fr. Gerry Rehagan

Good Friday traditional service remembering the passion of our Lord at noon with Brenda Bailor, leader.

Easter Sunday morning the celebration begins with breakfast in the Founder's Room at 9:30 a.m.

Easter Sunday service of Morning Prayer at 11 a.m. with Marsha Marquardt, leader. All are welcome to attend services at Calvary.

The food pantry at Calvary is open on the second and fourth Thursday of the month, 2-4 p.m. The Clothing Bank is also open during this time.

Those wishing to provide Easter flowers in memory or honor of a loved one can still do so.

Call 742-3111 or 742-2061 by Thursday, April 1 to reserve your flowers. Be sure to indicate whether the flowers honor or memorialize an individual and provide that name, your name and a contact phone number.

## Obituaries:

### Suzanne Marie Cramer

Suzanne (Sue) Marie Cramer, 49, of Hillman, MI passed away Sunday morning, March 28, 2010 at her Hillman residence, surrounded by her family.

Sue was born on July 22, 1960 in Alpena, the daughter of Delton A. and Elaine F. (Cadieux) Ableidinger. She married Michael J. Cramer on October 15, 1988.

Suzanne was an accomplished horsewoman and an active member of the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA); Northern Michigan Quarter Horse Association (NMQHA) and the Michigan Quarter Horse Association (MQHA). Sue was dedicated to the 4-H program for most of her life, where she participated as a youth, served on the Montmorency County Fair Board and as a 4-H Leader. She was employed for over 25 years at Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health as an Activity Therapist. Sue also volunteered as the Hillman Class of 2013 Class Advisor. She enjoyed watching old westerns, her annual cow camp trip, snowmobiling and most of all, spending time with her family and friends.

Sue is survived by her husband; Michael; son: Allan; mother: Elaine Ableidinger; brothers, Todd (Marianne) Ableidinger, Ambrose (Nicole) Ableidinger, Matthew (Samantha) Ableidinger all of Hillman; sister: Annie (Hendrik) Van De Water of Mt. Pleasant; 6 nephews and 7 nieces.

Mrs. Cramer was preceded in death by her father Delton, paternal and maternal grandparents, Gordon and Zeldia Ableidinger and John and Mary Cadieux.

Visitation will be held at St. Augustine Catholic Church on Wednesday, March 31 from 10 a.m. until time of service at 11 a.m. with Rev. Raymond Cotter officiating. Interment: St. Augustine Cemetery.

The Cramer family would like to thank Hospice of Michigan for the care they provided them and Sue.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to a college fund for Allan Cramer.



### Shirley May Green

Shirley May Green, age 77, of Georgetown, TX, and Rust Twp, MI, passed away on March 23, 2010 in Georgetown.

She was born Aug. 10, 1932 in Montmorency County, MI to Arlie and Ida (Crawford) Abbe. Shirley was married to Donald Green in 1970 in Grand Rapids. Donald and Shirley were owners of Green Funeral Home in Atlanta and Hillman where she worked side by side with her husband until their retirement in 1983. She was an avid golfer, and loved the time she spent on the golf league at Garland Resort.

Shirley is survived by her husband, Donald Green of Georgetown, TX; son, Joseph C. Tunnicliffe of Georgetown; step-son Warren Green of Santa Teresa, NM; step-daughters, Susan Takash of Vanderbilt, Diane Johnson of Fenton; sister, Azile Ferguson of Hillman, Michigan; 7 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arlie and Ida Abbe; sisters, Joyce Sparks, Velma Coyle, Mavis Cooper, Donna Paris, Linda Mar, and Maxine Jones.

Funeral services were held on March 29, at Green Funeral Home in Atlanta. Interment: Briley Township Cemetery in Atlanta. Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Condolence messages can be sent via our website, [www.greenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.greenfuneralhomes.com).



### Gerald "Jake" J. Goebel Sr.

Gerald "Jake" J. Goebel Sr., age 91, passed away Tuesday, March 23, 2010.

He was the beloved husband of Elaine Goebel (nee: Balhorn) for 62 years, loving father of Michele (Douglas) Ladd, Denise (David) Tomlin, Michael (Anne) Goebel, Gerald Goebel Jr., and Gary (Kordula) Goebel. He was the cherished grandpa of Amanda, Melissa, Tammy, Terry, Tiffany, Krystie, Bradley, Jeffery, Anthony, Ellie, Jessica, Benjamin, Heidi, Hannah, Natalie and Ted. Dearest great-grandpa of Allyson, Sarah, Megan, Haley, Jakie, Sabrina and Sydney; dear brother of Casey (Norma) Goebel and the late George Goebel and Marceline Parkhurst; dear brother-in-law of Clare Goebel and Daniel Parkhurst.

The funeral mass was held March 27 at St. Sebastiaan Catholic Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Sebastian Catholic Church, 20710 Colgate, Dearborn Heights, MI 48125 or the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan, 20300 Civic Center Drive, Suite 250, Southfield, MI 48076.

Arrangements by Hackett-Metcalf Funeral Home, Dearborn, MI 313-274-4000.



### Shirley May Roby

Shirley May Roby, 88, of Johannesburg, passed away on March 22, 2010 at Englehart's Care Home in Atlanta, MI.

She was born on June 11, 1921 to Robert and Violet (Taylor) Westmore in Detroit. She married Edward Roby on Aug. 10, 1940 in Ferndale. She was a member of the Heatherton Reformed Presbyterian Church. She worked as a secretary for many years, for Standard Products, Lewiston Sash and Door, and various other companies, as well as helping with her husband at their business, Roby Wood Products. She was an avid painter and enjoyed knitting and crocheting. She loved to walk and cross country ski when she was able.

Shirley is survived by her husband, Ed; son, Ron Roby of Mt Pleasant; daughter, Terry Truitt of Quincy; 2 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Roby were held March 27 in Lewiston, Rev. Milton Harrington officiating. Interment took place at Heatherton Cemetery.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Green Funeral Home. Condolence messages can be sent via our website, [www.greenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.greenfuneralhomes.com).

### Scott Lee Klein

Scott Lee Klein, 55, of Atlanta, MI, passed away Friday, March 25, 2010 at his residence.

He was born on July 19, 1954 in Alpena, to Merle and Lahoma (Ray) Klein. He grew up in Atlanta, and graduated from AHS in 1971. He moved out to Texas and worked for SCM as a printer for many years, returning back to Atlanta in 1993. He loved hot rods, and was a member of the Elk Country Cruisers car club. He was very active in the Atlanta Sports Boosters, especially in his help at the Bump and Run Races. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. Above all else, Scott loved to spend time with his children and grandchildren.

Scott is survived by his children, Kim (Ryan) Marlatt of Atlanta, Jace (Carolee) Klein of Traverse City, and Danielle (Dennis) Villeneuve of Hillman; sister, Janet (Neil) Berry of Vanderbilt; brother, Randy Klein of Gaylord; and 6 grandchildren.

As were his wishes, cremation has taken place and a memorial gathering for Mr. Klein will be held on Saturday, April 3 from 2-6 p.m., at the Green Funeral Home, Atlanta.

Condolence messages can be sent via our website, [www.greenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.greenfuneralhomes.com).

### Elizabeth "Betty" Constantineau

Elizabeth "Betty" Constantineau, 84 of Gaylanta Lake passed away on Monday, March 29, 2010. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time. A full obituary will appear next week in the Tribune. Arrangements handled by the Green Funeral Home, Atlanta.

## Events of Special Interest:

**Thursday, April 1:** Heartland Hospice at AuSable Valley Community Apartments, 1441 Maple Drive, Fairview, MI will hold a grief support group meeting from 10-11:30 a.m. Sessions are free, no registration required. For more information call Heartland Hospice, Mary Cox, Bereavement Coordinator, 866-248-0253.

**Wednesday, April 7:** The Northeast Michigan UAW Retired Workers Alpena Council will hold its membership meeting at 11 a.m. at the VFW Hall, 2900 Connon, Alpena, MI. For more information, please call the office at 356-4959.

**Thursday, April 8:** Heartland Hospice at AuSable Valley Community Apartments, 1441 Maple Drive, Fairview, MI will hold a grief support group meeting from 10-11:30 a.m. Sessions are free, no registration required. For more information call Heartland Hospice, Mary Cox, Bereavement Coordinator, 866-248-0253.

**Saturday, April 10:** Friends together, a local cancer support organization, and the Alpena Regional Medical Center will present "Keep on Dancing: An Educational Conference for Cancer Survivors." It will be hosted by Alpena Community College with registration at 8 a.m. and will continue into the evening with an afterglow celebration. Registration is \$20 and includes lunch and snacks throughout the day. Complete details and registration forms can be found at [www.friendstogethermi.org](http://www.friendstogethermi.org), at the Friends Together office at 1013 State Avenue, Alpena or by calling 989-356-3231.

**Tuesday, April 13:** The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Power of Parenting Event, entitled "Why Your Kids Do What They Do", will be held at the Thunder Bay Jr. High School at 3500 Third Ave., Alpena from 5-8 p.m. There will be dinner, a keynote speaker, and child care. Cost is \$5 per family. Please register by April 6. 989-356-2880 or 1-800-354-2880.

**Wednesday, April 14:** Hospice of the Sunrise Shore Alpena Grief peer-support group will be meeting from 6-7 p.m. at 109 N. Second Avenue, Suite 201, Alpena. Please call for more info and to register at 1-800-664-8587.

**Thursday, April 15:** Heartland Hospice at AuSable Valley Community Apartments, 1441 Maple Drive, Fairview, MI will hold a grief support group meeting from 10-11:30 a.m. Sessions are free, no registration required. For more information call Heartland Hospice, Mary Cox, Bereavement Coordinator, 866-248-0253.

**Thursday, April 22:** Heartland Hospice at AuSable Valley Community Apartments, 1441 Maple Drive, Fairview, MI will hold a grief support group meeting from 10-11:30 a.m. Sessions are free, no registration required. For more information call Heartland Hospice, Mary Cox, Bereavement Coordinator, 866-248-0253.

### Paul Johnson

Paul Johnson, 54, died Friday, March 26, 2010 at his home in Atlanta, MI, after a prolonged illness.

Paul was born July 5, 1955, on Travis AFB in northern CA, to Joseph and Judith (Ducharme) Johnson. His dad was a painter at Dow Chemical Company and his mother was an RN. Paul grew up in Essexville, graduated from Garber High School in 1973, and spent many summer vacations in the Atlanta area. He moved to Atlanta after obtaining his journeyman's license as a sheet metal worker, and was an active member of the Sheet Metal Workers Union, Local 7.

Paul was an avid hunter and fisherman who enjoyed the bountiful northern Michigan outdoors, as well as many other northern U.S. and Canadian hunting and fishing locals. Paul was also a talented welder who was known for his unique bicycle creations.

He is survived by his sister and brother-in-law Pamela and Larry Gordon; sister and brother-in-law Jeanne and Richard Anthony; sister Mary Johnson; sister and brother-in-law Tricia and Joel Underwood; nephew Dustin Johnson and wife Rose; nieces Erin Green, Diana Murray, Jacqueline and Gabriella Underwood; companion Susan Jobe, a large extended family and many close friends; as well as his dog Cody and cat Chuck.

Paul was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Judith.

Visitation for Mr. Johnson will be held at Green Funeral Home in Atlanta on Saturday, April 3 from 2-6 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Alpena Hospice of Michigan in Memory of Paul Johnson.

Condolence messages can be sent via our website [www.greenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.greenfuneralhomes.com).



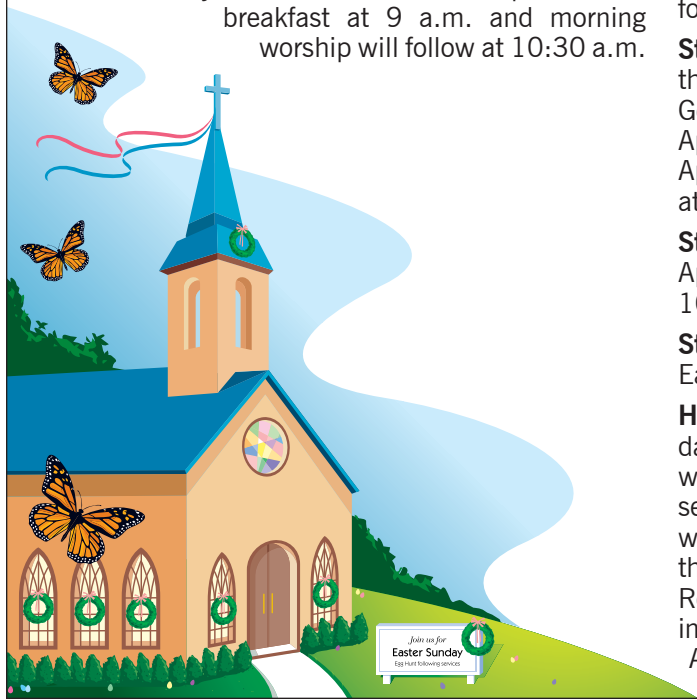
# Easter Services at local churches:

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church:** Our Holy Week schedule is: April 1, Maundy Thursday Service at 6 p.m.; April 2, Good Friday Service at 6 p.m.; April 4, Easter Breakfast at 9 a.m. prepared by our Men's Fellowship and finally our Easter Celebration Divine Worship at 10:30 a.m.

**Hillman United Methodist Church:** Maundy Thursday combined Service will be held at the Spratt Church at 7 p.m. Good Friday Services will be held April 2, at 2 p.m. Easter Sunday combined Sunrise Breakfast will be at the Spratt Church at 6:30 a.m. The Easter Resurrection Celebration Service will be held at 9 a.m. Spratt Church 11 a.m.

**Pleasant Valley Free Methodist:** located at 19103 Pleasant Valley Road, Hillman will be having Maundy Thursday Communion on April 1 at 6 p.m. Easter Breakfast will be served at 9:30 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 4, with Worship at 11 a.m. There will be an Easter Egg hunt for the kids between Breakfast and Worship. For further information phone 742-4120.

**Lewiston Congregational United Church of Christ:** Maundy Thursday soup supper and communion service will be held Thursday, April at 6:30 p.m. Good Friday Service will be held on April 2 at 7 p.m. Easter Sunday celebration will start April 4 with breakfast at 9 a.m. and morning worship will follow at 10:30 a.m.



**Atlanta Congregational U.C.C.:** Maundy Thursday Service of lights "Tenebrae Service" at 7 p.m.; Easter Son-rise service 8 p.m. and April 4, Easter Morning Service with Service of Holy Communion at 10:30 a.m.

**Atlanta Bible Church:** The community Good Friday service will be held at 1 p.m. at on Friday, April 2. The service will include congregational singing, special music provided by Big Rock Church, scripture reading and a message by Pastor Peter Smith of Maple Grove Community Church. The public is invited to attend. The Atlanta Bible Church is located 1/2 mile north of the blinker in Atlanta on M-33. For more information, call the host pastor, Roger Steele at 785-2088 or 785-4062.

**Comins Mennonite Church:** Sunday, April 4 Sunrise Service at 7 a.m.; Easter Breakfast at 8 a.m.; Sunday School at 10 a.m. and Worship Service at 11 a.m.

**Lighthouse Fellowship Church:** Easter service at 11 a.m. followed by Easter dinner at the church, then on to MediLodge for an Easter Service with residents.

**Hillman Free Methodist Church:** Service at 9 a.m. followed by breakfast. Easter service at 11 a.m.

**Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Parish:** Special Good Friday services at 3 p.m. with the church open for private prayer beginning at noon.

**St. Frances of Assisi - Lewiston:** Thursday, April 1 the Holy Thursday Mass will take place at 7 p.m.; Good Friday services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, April 2. Easter Vigil Mass will take place Saturday, April 3 at 8 p.m. The Easter Sunday Mass will begin at 11 a.m.

**St. Augustine Church:** Good Friday services, Friday, April 2, 1 p.m.; Easter Sunday services will begin at 10 a.m.

**St. Mary's - Mio:** Good Friday services, 4 p.m. and Easter Sunday services will be held at 8:30 a.m.

**Hillman's Calvary Episcopal Church:** Maundy Thursday traditional Holy Eucharist service at 7:00 p.m. with Fr. Gerry Rehagan; Good Friday traditional service remembering the passion of our Lord at noon with Brenda Bailor, leader; Easter Sunday morning the celebration begins with breakfast in the Founder's Room at 9:30 a.m.; Easter Sunday service of Morning Prayer at 11 a.m. with Marsha Marquardt, leader. All are welcome to attend services at Calvary.

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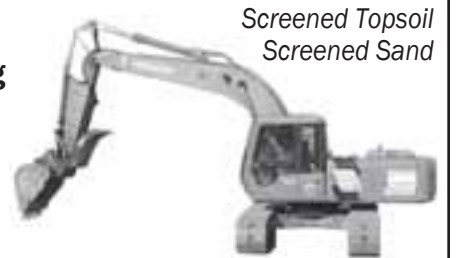
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## Conservation Update:

News from the Montmorency Conservation District

### ORV Information Boxes

One of the great things about Montmorency County, for both residents and non-residents is our extensive trail system. With the coming of spring many are eager to hit the trails with their ORV's. Knowing the "rules of the road" is beneficial to both the driver and the environment.

The Montmorency County Conservation Club is one of our conservation partners. This article was originally published in their spring newsletter and is used here with permission.

"The MC<sup>3</sup> is working on a pilot program to provide ORV users in Montmorency County with important information regarding local and state "rules of the road." With recent changes in ORV rules here in Montmorency County, all county roads are open to ORV use (with very limited exceptions). While the State also provides hundreds of miles of designated ORV trails throughout northern Michigan, non-designated State lands and trails incur significant damage if ORV users are not properly informed.

Inspired by the work of ECORD (Educating to Control Off Road Damage - www.ECORD-ORV-EDU.org) in Luce County, the MC<sup>3</sup> will be placing information boxes at ORV trail heads and other locations around the county where ORV use is prevalent.

Club members Bill Houston and Jim Supina are spearheading this effort, with help from Al Byrnes and Claude Conn. They are also working together with Atlanta's Mike Stephenson. Mike and his family are avid trail users with a strong focus on trail safety and family enjoyment of the sport.

Special boxes have been constructed to hold the informational fliers and will be placed on posts provided by the MDNRE.

It is hoped that this effort will not only assist visiting ORV users enjoy the trail amenities here in northeast Michigan, but help to protect our state's wild and environmentally fragile places from degradation."

You can contact the Montmorency Conservation District at 989-785-4083 or visit our website at www.montmorencyd.org

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# Tribune Fun Page

## Horoscopes

**ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20:** Don't be too worried about what's going on with others, Aries. Focus on your own needs for the next several weeks. You will expend energy but meet some goals.

**TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21:** Gather information from reliable sources, Taurus, before you jump to make a big decision. This is not a good time for you to do any shopping. Keep your money locked away.

**GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21:** Sometimes the insignificant people in your life turn out to be much more important than you had first thought, Gemini. Therefore, treat everyone you meet this week with respect.

**CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22:** Don't display a know-it-all attitude, Cancer. Instead of just pretending to listen, keep your lips sealed and your ears open. You just may learn something.

**LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23:** Lighten up, Leo. You're taking what someone says way too literally. Learn to laugh at yourself and you could make a few new friends in the process.

**VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22:** Virgo, you don't have to trick someone into going along with your plan this week. Just be honest and play your hand the right way, and you'll have plenty of volunteers.

**LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23:** This week all of your emotions are showing in black and white on your face, Libra. It will be difficult to hide any of your emotions, so don't even try. Show your vulnerability.

**SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22:** Don't forget something important you need to get done this week, Scorpio. Set reminders, tie a string around your finger, or leave notes around the house.

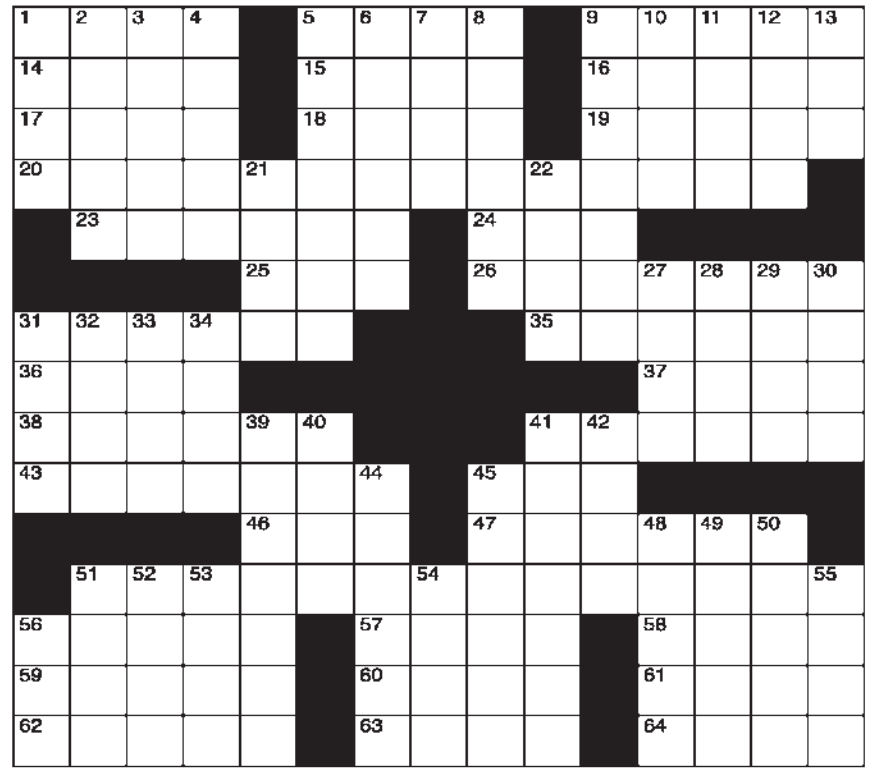
**SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21:** This may be a fun week for you, Sagittarius. You can have fun in just about anyway with the good spirits you've been displaying. Grab the opportunity for an adventure.

**CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20:** Be careful what you wish for, Capricorn. Desiring change may bring a lot of changes you didn't count on this week. You'd better get used to routine instead.

**AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18:** This week you stumble on something that is much bigger and more involved than you may have expected, Aquarius. Be firm in your decision making.

**PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20:** Everyone wants a piece of you this week, Pisces. The trouble is there isn't that much of you to go around. Balance is key.

## Crossword



### CLUES ACROSS

1. Swiss mountains
5. Importunes for payment
9. Hop kilns
14. Roman 13
15. Employee stock ownership plan
16. Loose outer garment
17. Ardor
18. Tam\_\_\_\_: fretless Indian lute
19. Lack of normal muscular tension
20. 7 time tour winner
23. Compel by force
24. Japanese apricot tree
25. Dev\_\_\_\_y: wickedness
26. Open shoes
31. Leaseholder
35. Ho Chi Minh City
36. Fashion idol

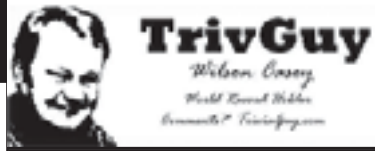
37. About aviation
38. Walk with long steps
41. A mournful poem
43. Study of poetry
45. The Sabbath in Judaism
46. 22nd Greek letter
47. Saffron source
51. Antacid and laxative
56. "Socrate" composer
57. Enameled metalware
58. & & &
59. Dried & processed tobacco leaves
60. Geological times
61. Try to find
62. Burn residues
63. Tapered tuck in dressmaking
64. Ironclad ship engineer James

### CLUES DOWN

1. Skating jump
2. Lavender color
3. Stringed instrument
4. From a time
5. A resounding defeat
6. High rate money lender
7. An average
8. Involuntary muscle contractions
9. 1st iPhone instrument
10. Highest male singing voice
11. In a moment
12. Distinctively sharp taste
13. Space above the earth
21. One of the Greats
22. Green, black and Earl Gray
27. \_\_\_\_\_eter: 2 X radius
28. "A Death in the Family" author
29. For\_\_\_\_: wretched
30. Nasal mucus

31. Speech defect
32. \_\_\_\_\_pic: out of place organ
33. An open skin infection
34. A lit of temper
39. Detachable shirt fronts
40. Repeat
41. Greatest in size
42. Egyptian sun god
44. Separated coarse particles
45. Relating to a musical scale
48. Terminate
49. Beard moss genus
50. Went with
51. German name for Meuse River
52. Scratch
53. Head vermin
54. A short syllable (poetry)
55. Requests
56. Helps little firms

## Trivia



**1) From surveys what's the most popular response when asked to name something famous about Switzerland?**

Neutrality, Alps, Army knife, Geneva

**2) In 1977 who became the first woman to compete in the Indianapolis 500?**

Anne Drenzo, Janet Guthrie, Sharon Zitnick, Dee Dee Mitchell

**3) What was a Roman gladiator's lance called?**

Ocrea, Iaculum, Hasta, Scutum

**4) Of these whose official name does not include "The Republic of"?**

Colombia, Venezuela, Sweden, Chile

**5) What did the "B" stand for in the name of Lyndon B. Johnson?**

Barton, Benjamin, Baines, Barrymore

**6) What was called the "Middle Kingdom"?**

Persia, Greece, Egypt, China

**7) Who was the first U.S. Vice President to die while in office?**

None ever have, Henry Wilson, Elbridge Gerry, George Clinton

**8) What do you call a judge's private office?**

Attic, Chambers, Jackson room, Sidebar

**9) Of these whose wife and mother died on the same day?**

Andrew Jackson, Franklin Pierce, Theodore Roosevelt, Franklin Roosevelt

**10) What are the countries of Belgium, Luxembourg, and the Netherlands called?**

Surinam, Principality, Benelux, Confederation

**11) Which "cramp" is graphospasm?**

Running, Cooking, Writing, Swimming

**12) Of these whose wife was Mami Dowd?**

Cleveland, Taft, Eisenhower, Truman

**13) Whose 1940s films included "It Ain't Hay" and "Hit the Ice"?**

Three Stooges, Abbott and Costello, Laurel and Hardy, Bowery Boys

**14) Which "Trench" is the greatest depth in the Pacific Ocean?**

Debson, Indian, De Leon, Mariana

# SUDOKU

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## Word Search

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| bed     | evening  | night   | restless | snoring |
| blanket | insomnia | pillows | sheets   | twin    |

Answers and Solutions on Page 17



# Legal Notices:

## Notice

### Case No. 09-002321-CH

Notice of Judicial Foreclosure Sale on a Monetary Judgment, Judgment of Foreclosure, and Other Relief Against Defendant Bruce C. Floer

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the terms of a Monetary Judgment, Judgment of Foreclosure, and Other Relief of the Circuit Court for the County of Montmorency, State of Michigan signed and filed on February 8, 2010, in the case of *First Federal of Northern Michigan, Plaintiff v Bruce C. Floer, an individual, and Home Improvement Acceptance Corporation, a Michigan corporation, Defendants*, Case No. 09-002321-CH, wherein, among other things, the Court allowed the foreclosure of a mortgage granted by Bruce C. Floer to First Federal of Northern Michigan on March 21, 2005, and recorded March 28, 2005 in Liber 264, Pages 619-634, Montmorency County Records, in an attempt to satisfy a monetary judgment in the amount of \$48,351.57 against the mortgagor, through the date of first publication of this Notice, mortgaged premises shall be sold at a public auction by or under the direction of Clerk/Sheriff for the County of Montmorency to the highest bidder at the main entrance to the Montmorency County Building, 12265 M-32, Atlanta, Michigan 49709 on Thursday, May 6, 2010 at 10:00 a.m., local time, the following described "Premises:"

Land in the Township of Briley, Montmorency County, Michigan, described as follows:

Commencing at a point 2 rods North and 2 rods West of the Southeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 12, Town 30 North, Range 2 East; thence running North approximately 7 1/2 rods to Haymeadow Creek. Commencing again at the same place and run West 23 1/2 rods; thence run North approximately 15 1/2 rods to Haymeadow Creek. Said Haymeadow Creek forming the North boundary line.

Less all that part thereof lying Southeasterly of a line describe as: Beginning at a point on the East and West Quarter line of Section 12, T30N, R2E, which is N 89°52'34" East 1104.07 feet from the West Quarter corner thereof; thence N 56°50'04" E a distance of 275.66 feet to the point of ending on the West Eighth line, which is N 00°30'54" E 150.31 feet from the quarter-quarter corner, ALSO LESS all that part thereof lying Southerly of a line parallel to and 33 feet Northerly, when measured at right angles, from the East and West Quarter line of Section 12, T30N, R2E.

The Premises, whose address is 12180 Metzger Road, Atlanta, Michigan 49709, also include all right, title and interests held by Defendant Bruce C. Floer as of March 21, 2005 in the Premises.

The Premises may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the date of sale.

BODMAN LLP

By: Sandra L. Jasinski (P37430) Attorneys for First Federal of Northern Michigan 229 Court Street, P.O. Box 405 Cheboygan, Michigan 49721 (231) 627-8000

Date: March 17, 2010  
Dates of publication: March 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2010.

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## Notice

### Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Orville D Young, an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 20, 2002, and recorded on August 29, 2002 in Liber 216 on Page 344, in Montmorency county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to MidFirst Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Nine And 09/100 Dollars (\$43,479.09), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Montmorency County, at 10:00 AM, on April 15, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Albert, Montmorency County, Michigan, and are described as: All that certain parcel of land situate in Montmorency county, State of Michigan, being know and designated as the South 1/2 of the south 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 10, Town 29 North, Range 1 East, excluding all, oil, gas and mineral rights.

The redemption period shall be 12 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.

Dated: March 17, 2010  
For more information, please call:

FC L (248) 593-1312  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #309012F01

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## Notice

### 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.

ATTN 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 Larry J. Martin and Kimberly A. Martin, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 30, 2004, and recorded on October 6, 2004 in Liber 258 on Page 710, and assigned by said Mortgagee to LaSalle Bank Midwest National Association as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Montmorency county records, Michigan,

on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen And 15/100 Dollars (\$25,714.15), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Montmorency County, at 10:00 AM, on April 15, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Albert, Montmorency County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 9; commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 32, Town 29 North, Range 2 East; thence North 86 degrees 46 minutes 33 seconds West 1585.41 feet along East and West 1/4 line to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 86 degrees 46 minutes 33 seconds West 332.50 feet along said line; thence South 2 degrees 40 minutes 29 seconds West 1310.58 feet; thence South 86 degrees 38 minutes 04 seconds East 332.50 feet along 1/8 line; thence North 2 degrees 40 minutes 30 seconds East 1311.40 feet to the point of beginning. Part of north 1/2 of Southeast 1/4 of Section 32, Town 29 North, Range 2 East.

The redemption period shall be 12 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.

Dated: March 17, 2010  
For more information, please call:

FC X (248) 593-1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #314087F01

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## Notice

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ATTN 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 Kim Niswonger, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 18, 2006, and recorded on October 30, 2006 in Liber 285 on Page 451, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Montmorency county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Eighteen And 52/100 Dollars (\$38,618.52), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Montmorency County, at 10:00 AM, on April 15, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Hillman, Mont-

morency County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 1, Block 13 of the Village of Hillman, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, on Page 1 of the Montmorency County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 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.

Dated: March 17, 2010  
For more information, please call:

FC C (248) 593-1301  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #295219F01

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## Notice

### Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN 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 Kay Blanz, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 14, 2006, and recorded on February 24, 2006 in Liber 277 on Page 94, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-FF7, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-FF7 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Montmorency county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Ninety-Seven And 21/100 Dollars (\$81,097.21), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Montmorency County, at 10:00 AM, on April 22, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Hillman, Montmorency County, Michigan, and are described as: Town 31 North, Range 4 East, Section 24, Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 2, Block 3, Peter Bates Addition to the Village of Hillman; Thence East 66 Feet; thence South 198 feet to the point of beginning; thence East 187 feet; thence South 132 feet; thence West 187 feet; thence North 132 feet to the point of beginning. Parcel 2.

The redemption period shall be 6 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.

Dated: March 24, 2010  
For more information, please call:

FC J (248) 593-1311  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #216519F05

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## Notice

### Avery Twp. Notice of Budget Public Hearing

The Avery Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed General Fund budget for Fiscal Year 2010/2011 at the Avery Township Hall on Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., immediately prior to the regular monthly meeting.

**The property Tax Millage Rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Avery Twp. Hall, 11010 McMurry Rd., Atlanta, MI or by contacting the Clerk at (989) 785-3929.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 4172a (2)(3) and the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

The Avery Twp. Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon five (5) days notice to the Avery Twp. Board. Individuals with disabilities requiring aids or services should contact the Avery Twp. Board by writing or calling the Avery Twp. Supervisor, Thom Seymour, 8809 Cty. Rd. 487, Atlanta, MI 49709-9242, (989) 785-3929.

The regular monthly meeting of the Avery Township Board will be held immediately following the public hearing.

Ann Seymour  
Township Clerk

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## Notice

### NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Melvin Blaut and Virginia Blaut, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 18705 Glacier Trl, Hillman, MI 49746-7911.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1313

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at <http://www.michigan.gov/mshda> or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from March 26, 2010, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after March 26, 2010.

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Date: March 31, 2010  
For more information, please call:

FC F (248) 593-1313  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525  
File # 246578F02

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## Notice

### State of Michigan Probate Court County of Montmorency Notice to Creditors

Decedent's Estate  
**File No. 10-006636-DE**  
Estate of James Francis Schmidt

Date of birth: 04/10/1931  
**Notice of creditors:** The decedent, James Francis Schmidt, who lived at 2379 Big Antler, Lewiston, Michigan died 03/09/2010.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Greg R. Schmidt, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 12265 M-32, PO Box 789, Atlanta and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

March 24, 2010  
Benjamin T. Bolser P47932  
P.O. Box 315  
Atlanta, MI 49709  
(989) 785-4900  
Greg R. Schmidt  
112 East Mt. Forest Rd.  
Pinconning, MI 48650  
(989) 879-6480

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## Notice

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey S. Schafer, a single man, to Firstbank-West Branch Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated July 29, 2006 and recorded August 3, 2006 in Liber 282, Page 474, Montmorency County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Seven and 2/100 Dollars (\$42,837.02) including interest at 7.125% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the courthouse in Atlanta, Michigan in Montmorency County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 29, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Briley, Montmorency County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 27 and 28, Shady Acres, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Pages 53 through 54, Montmorency County Records, Briley Township, Montmorency County, Michigan. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: March 31, 2010

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 517.0044 ASAP# 3504911 03/31/2010, 04/07/2010, 04/14/2010, 04/21/2010

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## Questions, Anyone?

Learn more about federal government programs, benefits, and services. Just call toll-free **1-800-FED-INFO** or visit [www.pueblo.gsa.gov/call](http://www.pueblo.gsa.gov/call).

U.S. General Services Administration

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## DNRE Reminds Anglers that Inland Consent Decree provides for certain activities by tribal members

The Department of Natural Resources and Environment reminds the public that certain fishing opportunities for tribal members under the 1836 Treaty of Washington are different than those allowed for state-licensed recreational anglers under Michigan law, and that these activities may be observed this spring.

As established under the 2007 Inland Consent Decree, Tribal members may use spears or conventional fishing tackle to take walleye and steelhead in some waters of Michigan covered by the treaty during periods when these waters are closed to fishing for State-licensed recreational anglers.

The portion of Michigan covered by the 1836 Treaty of Washington includes lands in Montmorency County lying north of the Thunder Bay River.

"We appreciate anglers' concerns when they see something unusual occurring, but we ask people not to interfere with Tribal members who are exercising their rights under the 2007 Inland Consent Decree," said Nick Popoff, the DNRE Fisheries Division's tribal coordinator.

"If you think a violation is in progress, you can call the DNR's Report All Poaching line (800-292-7800) and report it."

The area ceded under the 1836 Treaty of Washington includes the eastern half of the Upper Peninsula and the northern Lower Peninsula. For information on the 2007 Inland Consent Decree, check the DNR Web site at [www.michigan.gov/tribalcoordination](http://www.michigan.gov/tribalcoordination).

## Dollars & Sense:

# Time for "Spring Cleaning" of Your Investments

Spring is here — time to spruce up your house, get rid of clutter and get things organized. But this year, go beyond your home and yard when you do your spring cleaning and look for ways to rejuvenate your investment portfolio.

Of course, you don't have to take an "out with the old, in with the new" approach just for the sake of changing things up. But to consistently make progress toward your financial goals, you may need to make adjustments in response to changes in the financial markets, the economy and your personal situation. And springtime is as good a time as any to take a fresh look at your investment situation. So consider these suggestions:

- Dispose of things that aren't working. Whether it's a burnt-out computer, a non-vacuuming vacuum cleaner or a treadmill that lost its grip back when "the Web" was reserved for spiders, we all own things that are no longer useful. And the same may be true of some of your investments. If one hasn't performed the way you had hoped, and you've given it adequate

time, you may be better off by replacing it and using the proceeds to purchase another investment.

- Get rid of duplicates. If you went through everything in your house, you might find several items that do the same thing. Do you really need two toaster ovens? And how many radios can you listen to at one time? If you looked at your investment portfolio in this same way, you might be surprised to find some redundancies. For example, do you own several stocks issued by similar companies that make similar products? This might not be a problem when the stock market is booming, but it could be a definite concern if a downturn affects the industry to which these companies belong. Always look for ways to diversify your holdings. While diversification, by itself, can't guarantee profits or protect against loss, it can help you reduce the effects of volatility.

- Put things back in order. Over time, and inadvertently, the spaces in your home can get "out of balance." Perhaps you have too many chairs in

one corner, your flat-screen television is crowding out your family pictures, or your new desk takes up too much space in your home office. With some rearranging, however, you can usually get things back in order. And the same need for rearrangement may apply to your portfolio, which might have become unbalanced with too much of one investment and too little of another. This situation could undermine your financial strategy, especially if the imbalance means you are taking on too much risk or, conversely, if your holdings have become too conservative to provide the growth you need. So look for ways to restore your portfolio to its proper balance — one that reflects your risk tolerance, time horizon and long-term goals.

By giving your portfolio an annual spring cleaning, you can help make sure it reflects your current needs and is positioned to help you make progress toward your key financial objectives. And you won't even have to get near the dust cloths or furniture polish.

This article was written by Edward Jones for their local financial advisors:



Marc Ferguson, Alpena, (888) 358-8997.



Phil Hofweber, Gaylord, (889) 732-7591.

## Legal Notices:

### Notice

State of Michigan  
Probate Court  
County of Montmorency  
Notice to Creditors  
Decedent's Estate  
File No. 10-006635-DE

Estate of Ruby Willie Truiett  
Date of birth: 12/06/1928  
Notice of creditors: The decedent, Ruby Willie Truiett, who lived at 232 McIver Avenue, Macclenny, Florida died 11/21/2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to David Earl

Truiett, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 12265 M-32, PO Box 789, Atlanta and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

March 16, 2010  
Benjamin T. Bolser P47932  
P.O. Box 315  
Atlanta, MI 49709  
(989) 785-4900  
David Earl Truiett  
1022 Henry Street  
Saint Clair, MI 48079-4976  
(810) 689-6766

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### Notice

Users of Albert Township  
Transfer Site & Recycling

Effective April 1, 2010 - Albert Township will begin using a punch card system to pay for trash disposal and recycling. Punch cards may be purchased at the Albert Township Hall or by mail at PO Box 153, Lewiston, MI 49756. Each card will cost \$10 for 11 punches.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Montmorency County Road Commission at their offices in Atlanta, Michigan until 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 22, 2010; at which time and place, said bids will be publicly opened and read for furnishing their 2010 seasons requirement of the following:

1. Underbody Scraper Blades
2. Seal Coat Aggregates
3. Culvert Pipe and Appurtenances
4. Cold Patch
5. Dust Control/Applied
6. 2,000 cu yds Winter Sand - Atlanta Garage
7. 2,000 cu yds Winter Sand - Lewiston Garage
8. 2,000 cu yds Winter Sand - Hillman Garage
9. Bituminous Materials
10. Centerline Painting
11. 23A Gravel Production

Specification's, proposal forms and additional information may be obtained at the office of the Road Commission. All proposals must be in sealed envelopes bearing the name of the bidder and plainly marked as to their contents. No faxed bids.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or any part thereof, to waive defects in bids and to accept the proposal in part or entirety that, in the opinion of the Board is in the best interest of the Montmorency County Road Commission and the County of Montmorency.

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
COUNTY OF MONTMORENCY, MICHIGAN

Joseph R. LaFleche, Chairman  
Ted Orm, Vice-Chairman  
Ken Werner, Member

# Free energy evaluations available to local businesses

Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) has been awarded a grant to assist local businesses in identifying opportunities to become more energy efficient. The award is funded through the Rebuild Michigan Community Partnership Program administered by the MI Department of Energy, Labor, & Economic Growth.

Through the program, NEMCOG will be offering free Introductory Energy Evaluations (IEE) to local businesses that request the service. An IEE consists of a utility bill analysis, on-site building walk through inspection, and a report detailing recommendations for operational and maintenance improvements and recommended

energy efficiency upgrades. Following the IEE, NEMCOG will provide project planning assistance to the building owners by identifying resources for implementing energy efficiency improvements. Many of the recommended energy efficiency opportunities are easy, low cost items that business owners could implement themselves.

By implementing energy efficient opportunities, businesses can reduce operational costs, improve employee comfort and productivity, and often increase the life of their building systems equipment. The costs for the energy efficient improvements or upgrades are often paid for through energy cost savings. Nico Tucker, Rebuild MI

Technical Coordinator for NEMCOG stated, "We are excited to be able to offer this opportunity to local businesses and it is a great opportunity for them to take advantage of. In today's economy, every chance to cut operating costs even a little is important. And the businesses that work towards implementing the recommendations can become a showcase for their community by promoting environmental stewardship and raising public awareness and support for energy efficiency."

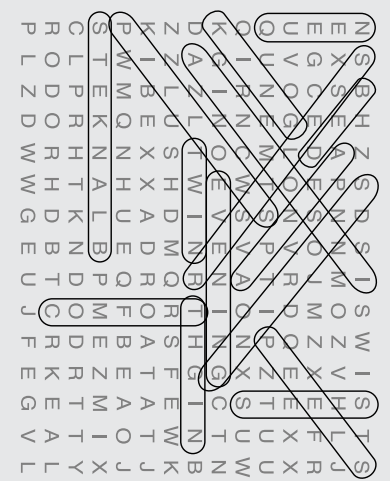
For more information contact Nico Tucker, Rebuild MI Technical Coordinator, NEMCOG, 989-732-3551 (ext20).

## Fun Page Answers

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| 4) Sweden        | 8) Chambers       | 12) Eisenhower        |                         |

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# Classified Ads

**\$5.75 for 25 words**, 5 cents each additional word. **Deadline:** Monday noon for Wednesday Tribune edition. **Attention Getter** star 50 cents extra. **Bold Type or ALL CAPS** 10¢ per word. **Payment:** All classifieds must be pre-paid. We accept credit cards, personal checks, and cash. **Call (989) 785-4214 or mail to: Montmorency County Tribune, P.O. Box 186, Atlanta, MI 49709-0186.**



## For Sale

**New Four Burner** down flow natural gas Hamilton Homes 100,000 BTU furnace. Can put air conditioner on; 36" new white Larson storm door; 40 gal. hot water heater, propane. Call 785-2473. c46

**Motorcycle - Dirt bike:** 2003 Honda CR-85-R, very fast. \$800. 590-3724. k46

**Log Furniture:** Twin log bedroom sets. Twin size, like-new bed; dressers; night stand. Call 989-350-1814. m45-47

**Moving..** Selection of antiques, all 60+ yrs old, bedroom set, living room set, oak & maple furniture, Percalé bedding & linens. Sony electronic items, new-golf items, like-new beauty salon equipment, man's nice clothes - XL, like-new infant baby items, new-digital picture frame, two-Michelin R-16 tires, tow chains. Local Cell # 989-255-0770. b45-46

**Hardies Seed & Ag Supply** is getting ready for spring! Olds Garden Seed is in stock. April Chick Days orders are due April 7 - chicks arrive April 28. Purchase any Diamond Brand dog food, 30# or larger and receive 4 rawhide strips free. Sale ends April 10. Lawn fertilizers and grass seed also available. Hardies Seed & Ag Supply, 7 miles north of Hillman on County Rd. 451, 989-742-7715. h45-47

**\*For Sale:** Artic Cat snowmobiles - 2002, 660 touring. Original owner, low miles, \$2,900; 2007 model F6-LXR, like new, 100 miles, \$5,500, includes extras 313-418-5426. m45-47

**\*MICHIGAN CHILLERS** books by Johnathan Rand are now available at the Tribune! Full series in stock, including the three newest additions to the series: #12 - *Ausable Alligators*, #13 - *Gruesome Ghouls of Grand Rapids*, and #14 - *Bionic Bats of Bay City*. Stop by and pick up a copy - only \$5.99 plus tax. A great gift idea for pre-teens. t44tf

**For sale:** high quality locally grown beef by the quarter or half. Hormone and antibiotic free. \$2/pound plus processing fee. Smith Acres, 989-785-4156. s42-46

**Firewood for sale:** seasoned oak, cut, split and delivered \$60 per face cord, \$55 you pick up. Also hard maple and beech. Call 785-4350. y22tf

**Seasoned firewood,** \$55 per face cord. Delivery available. Call 742-4603. w15tf

**Seasoned oak and maple** firewood, cut split and delivered, \$60 per cord. Farm fresh eggs. Tired of green wood for winter? Buy now for next year. Call John 785-2458. e4tf

**Free:** Baby clothes (size 0-4T) and some furniture available to those who need them. Call Sue at 785-4297 or Dorothy at 785-2095. The Baby Basket is open Wednesdays from 1-4 p.m. and by appointment. The Baby Basket is a program of Atlanta U.C.C. 34tf

**The Montmorency County Plat books** are available at the Tribune for \$25 plus tax. Mailed copies available for \$30.30. Call 989-785-4214; PO Box 186, Atlanta, MI 49709; or stop by the Tribune. t13tf

**Montmorency County Maps,** \$1 at the Tribune office. Useful for finding that garage sale. u9tf

**Return address labels** as low as \$9.95 plus tax per set of 300. Stop at the Tribune office in Atlanta and order yours today! t19tf

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## Outdoor Equipment

**2006 Arctic Cat Sabercat 500 EFI LX,** 485 miles, runs perfect, starts easy. Dual mirrors, reverse w/alarm, electric start, fitted cover, extra new drive belt, garage dollies, oil included. Excellent condition. \$3,495 OBO. Call 989-306-2091. g46-48

## Motorcycles

**2003 Harley Davidson XL1200 Custom,** 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Special. 6553 miles, excellent condition, runs great, well maintained, forward mounted controls, quick release windshield, Screamin' Eagle pipes, extra parts, extra solo seat, best in show first time out, beautiful bike. \$6,000 OBO. Call 989-306-2091. g46-48

## Automotive

**Moving.. Sharp!** 1996 Ford F-150 XLT pick-up. Clean one owner, well-maintained, many extras, A-1 condition. Have records of all maintenance. Local cell # 989-255-0770. b45-46

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## Auctions

### Public Notice Auction

The Montmorency County Board of Commissioners will hold an auction of county property on April 17, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. to sell used equipment. Auction will be held at the Montmorency County Sheriff Department mechanics barn located at 11045 M-32 West, Atlanta, MI 49709.

Equipment to be sold includes but not limited to: one snowmobile, file cabinets, monitors, desk, scanners and other office equipment.

**Albert LaFlech,** Chairman  
MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## Services

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## Found

**Found:** For the gentleman that left his ear protection at the rifle range on Voyer Lake, please call to identify after 4 p.m. at 989-255-3495 or 989-255-7442. p46

## Bids Wanted

**Vienna Township Fire Department** is accepting sealed bids on the following: 1979 GMC Tanker Truck (not operable), 1987 Dodge Ram Van. Vehicles may be inspected by appt. Contact Fire Chief Al Lemcool at 989-619-1329. Mail bids to Vienna Twp., PO Box 132, Johannesburg, MI 49751. Bids will be opened at the regular board meeting April 13, 2010 at 7 p.m. Vienna Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Cheryl Klein, Supervisor. v46

## Personal

**Protect and Preserve our fields, streams, and forests:** Montmorency County's ORV ordinance states that there are many types of trails, forest roads, logging roads, and other tempting routes (such as pole lines and well sites) but, unless they are posted as open, **THEY ARE CLOSED TO USE.** Additionally, areas that have been illegally ridden on by ORV's in the past do not make it legal for riding now. Wm. Houston. h45-46

## Announcements

**To allow our** staff to observe Good Friday services the Atlanta Veterinary Clinic will be closed at noon Friday 4/2/10. a46

## Notice

**Alcoholics Anonymous:** Monday, 8 p.m.; Thursday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 8 p.m. St. Francis Church, Lewiston. Call Larry M. at 786-5483. f48tf

**Driveway Permits** are required for all temporary and permanent driveways installed or altered (cement or asphalt, etc.) along county roads in Montmorency County. There is a fee of \$25. Montmorency County Road Commission m14tf

## Memoriam

**In memoriam:** Elfriede M. Harwood. Ich Liebe Dich Immer Noch. Passed away March 30, 2005. Love you, Velbert N. Harwood. H46

## Music Scene

**45<sup>th</sup> Parallel Music & Arts** Association Meeting, March 31, 6 p.m. at North Woods Art Gallery and Coffee House, 12315 State St., Atlanta. Please join us! Be a part of making the Community Stage planned for Briley Park a reality. Agenda: Update on current progress of engineering studies and building plans. Discuss and finalize fund raising plans. p46

## Bingo

**Bingo:** Every Monday at 6 p.m. at Loud Township Hall, corner of M33 and County Road 612. Smoke free. Sponsored by Loud Township Ladies Auxiliary. Proceeds to community projects. License # A00962. l46tf

**Bingo:** Every Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the Lewiston Fifty Plus Club, Kneeland Street, Lewiston. All proceeds go to the General fund, license #A02171. No smoking area available. l45tf

**Bingo:** Every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. Atlanta Eagles Hall, 10980 M-32. All paper, no hard cards! Proceeds go to general fund. License# A04001. a18tf

**Bingo:** Comins Eagle Auxiliary 3544 every Wednesday, 11 a.m. Comins Eagle Hall, one mile south of Comins on M-33. Proceeds to Social Fund. License No. A03753. c30tf

**Bingo:** Knights of Columbus every Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Hall, corner of Farrier Rd. and M-32, Hillman. All paper, no hard cards. All proceeds go to the general fund. License No. A03712. k45tf

## Events Around the Area:

**Saturday, March 27:** Apollo's Lyre/Winner's Circle Art Gallery in Grayling will present a benefit concert featuring folk and finger style guitar performers JB Davies and Dan House at 7 p.m. Portions of the proceeds will be donated to the Red Cross Haitian relief and to support local food banks. Admission is a donation of \$10 at the door or an equivalent donation of non-perishable food will be accepted. Seating is limited. Refreshments will be served. Call 989-344-9001 for more info.

**Saturday, April 10:** *VitalCare* Hospice of the Sunrise Shore will be hosting a Night of Dancing For Hospice – 50's Sock Hop at the Cedar Grove on Hubbard Lake Road from 8 p.m. til midnight. Sponsor your favorite dancers with a pledge or donation. There will be dancing contests, 50/50 drawings, door prizes and costume contest. Come dressed in your best 50's dress. Dancers call to register at Cedar Grove, 727-9183 or 727-3415 or the Hospice office at 358-1156.

**Sunday and Monday, April 11 and 12:** Dr. Terry Mortenson, from Answers in Genesis, and the creation Museum in Kentucky will talk about creation versus evolution. Immanuel Lutheran Church in Alpena, on US-23 North. Events will be at 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m., and 7:20 p.m. on Sunday, and 6 and 7:20 p.m. on Monday. A different talk will be presented each time. Call 989-356-3284 for more information.

**Saturday, May 1:** The annual Johannesburg 4th of July benefit dinner dance will be held at the Charlton Township Hall. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be catered by Paul's Pub, with music by Larry Reichert. There will be prizes and this even is B.Y.O.B. The cost is \$25 per person if you purchase tickets before April 26, or \$30 after that or at the door.

**Saturday, May 22:** Reservations are now being taken for the Arts and Craft show sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary. The show will be held from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus hall, 22235 M-32 (at the corner of M-32 and Farrier Road), Hillman. For information, please call Marilyn Turk at 742-7724.

## Extension Connection

The Cooperative Extension Service of Michigan State University and the County of Montmorency, Dennis McClure, Director

### Coming Events:

- Achievement Day: Saturday, April 24, Atlanta High School, 9 a.m.-noon
- Exploration Days: June 23-25, MSU Campus
- Summer Camp: June 28-July 1, Ocqueoc Outdoor Center
- Montmorency Fair: Aug. 17 – 21, Montmorency Fair Grounds

## Come to 4-H Exploration Days!

*Submitted By Karen L. Fifield, Program Associate*  
4-H Exploration Days is an annual MSU pre-college program that attracts about 2,500 participants from all 83 Michigan counties. At this pre-college event you are able to choose from nearly 200 action-packed learning sessions from your favorite interest areas. Develop your leadership abilities and enhance your individual growth. Make friends and enjoy three days on the beautiful MSU campus.

The dates for this event are June 23-25, 2010. Cost for the program is \$165 dollars and that includes a dorm room and meals for all three days. Scholarships are available for a portion of the cost of this event.

To inquire more about scholarships and this event contact the MSU Extension office at 989-785-8013. All youth from the ages of 11-19 are eligible to attend this fun state event. Registration has begun and classes fill up fast so if you have an interest in attending please contact the MSU Extension office.

### Public Notice Bids Wanted

The Montmorency County Board of Commissioners will receive sealed bids at the office of the County Administrator, Montmorency County Courthouse, 12265 M-32, P.O. Box 789, Atlanta, MI 49709 until 2:00 p.m. Monday, April 12, 2010 for the following:

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All bids must be received in sealed envelope plainly marked: "Bid / Copy Machine". Bids should include the name of the bidder, the return address, a contact number, and the price offered.

Inspection of the above listed copier may be made at the Montmorency County Sheriff Department on Wednesday, April 14, 2010.

*Albert LaFlech*, Chairman  
**MONTMORENCY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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# Notes Afield:

## Rivers of Steel

by Dan Donarski

It started just a couple of weeks ago. Increasing daylight streaming through the water, under a spring-like sun which warmed the air, he started to feel the changes. Pulled by some internal force he soon found himself under the loose-crystallite ice and inside a large sandy bay off the big water lake he called home.

Under the thinning snow cover on top of the mushy ice, smaller fish, normally found in deep water joined him and others of his species. In the shallower waters the prey, mainly smelt and sticklebacks, were more or less helpless against his speed and appetite.

The buck steelhead was living large, a fat cat in a small city where he ruled the roost. Well, he and his cousins ruled together in this water-based buffet table. Small fights broke out amongst the steelhead as they were further drawn into the bay and the current streaming in from a slowly thawing river.

Stoneflies and other aquatic insects were carried into the bay and the steelhead ate these as well as the baitfish. More than once, after a particularly warm day when the rush of water grew stronger and warmer, he made his way up the river, fighting the current. There he stayed, sometimes for days at a time before dropping back into the bay as a cold front slowed the current, and cooled the water. Even a temperature change as small as a few degrees caused him to move into or out of the river.

Then, just a short week ago, a prolonged warm spell made quick work of the snow on the river's edge. The current built in speed and the water turned murky with the run-off of winter's snow and the wet earth. Coursing through thawing swamps and past old hay fields, skipping around boulders and carving new holes in the clay and sand banks, the river filled with winter's leftovers.

The steelhead moved up the river, through the cloudy water. He moved with a purpose. He searched for the single place where he would make his stand.

More than twenty miles up river, where the river is bounded by high

hills of glacial gravel, after years of making its way to the big lake, the river scoured through the soil and exposed a wide expanse of gravel. Here the river was no more than a couple of feet deep. And it is here where the steelhead stopped. And it is here where the steelhead waited.

For a few days the water stayed turbid and brown with the run-off. The third day on the gravel the steelhead detected a thinning of the water, getting slightly slower, slightly clearer, slightly shallower. And, under a strong sun and lengthening days he felt it getting warmer.

On this day he was joined by one of his brothers, and the first of the hens.

The hen was determined not to be bothered. She swam round and round the gravel bar, often dropping back into the deep hole just behind it. And while she may have been determined not to be bothered, the buck, along with some of his brothers bird-dogged her.

Often while the bucks followed her the female lashed out and nipped at the males' fins. The bucks fought a bit amongst themselves as well, always trying to be the one closest to the hen. Trying to be the one to catch her favor.

Other hens came to the gravel, along with other bucks, and soon the gravel bar was alive with steelhead vying for position and the favored spawning sites.

The hens began to turn on their side and thrashed their tails against the gravel. Their fins soon became ragged and torn, bloodied by the continuous pounding on the small rocks. Where each hen thrashed a dish-shaped impression was made and the gravel became clean of last year's algae and silt.

The hens now stayed close to these redds. They guarded them and chased away any other hens, as well as males who came close. It was here they stayed, waiting for their eggs to fully ripen. And positioned just behind them were packs of three or more bucks, each wanting to be the one to complete the spawning cycle.

The males fought more aggressively for position now, knowing that the time was near at hand. The hen stayed almost motionless except for the times when the shadow



Dan Donarski has been a full-time free lance outdoor and travel writer for over 15 years. When he's home it means he's with his wife and two children, and two very spoiled dogs, in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

of an eagle came across the river which caused the fish to scatter and find deeper water. When the danger passed the fish were soon back at their station, waiting.

The buck grew restless and moved up and gave a hard nudge to the flank of the hen. Both fish had now turned color with dark red flanks and deep green spotted backs. With the nudge a few eggs fell from the female and then more came as she loosed them upon the gravel with contractions along her mid section. The male fertilized them and was joined by two others. More intent on the task at hand he didn't notice. All three fertilized some. Other bucks, just downstream of the spawning steelhead, ate the eggs that did not stick to the redd and flowed down river.

Fully spent, the hen and the bucks soon drifted downstream into the deep hole. There they regained their strength and within a week would once again be in the big lake.

(Each week, a different Michigan-based outdoor writer, Jerry Dennis, Dan Donarski, Dave Mull, or Tom Carney, offers you his "Notes Afield." To contact the writers: notesafield@hughes.net.)

## 2010-11 Off-Road Vehicle Trail Grant Applications available

The Department of Natural Resources and Environment announced today that the 2010-11 Off Road Vehicle (ORV) trail grant applications are available to public agencies, and nonprofit incorporated clubs and organizations.

Applications are available for grants to maintain existing designated state ORV trails, routes, and use areas; repair public lands damaged by inappropriate ORV use; and develop new ORV trails, routes, and use areas. Grant funds also are available to pay for liability insurance, leases or easements.

"We currently have 28 trail sponsors that maintain more than 3,300 miles of state designated ORV trails and routes statewide," said Steve Kubisiak, DNRE Recreation and Trails Program coordinator. "We depend on these partnerships to maintain the trails, and encourage participation from all user organizations and other public agencies to help us maintain Michigan's great ORV trail system."

Grant applications are prioritized to address existing trail maintenance and restoration needs on public land. New trail, route, and scramble area development proposals will also be considered.

Applications must be submitted by May 1, 2010. Any public agency or nonprofit incorporated club or organization seeking an application should contact: DNRE-Forest Management Division, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing, MI 48909-7952. The forms are available on the DNRE Web site at [www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants). Under the Grant Programs menu, select "Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) Trail Improvement Program," and then "Forms and Publications." Applications may also be requested by calling 517-373-1275.

Questions about the ORV program and application requirements should be directed to the ORV program staff in the DNRE Forest Management Division, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing, MI 48909-7952, or by calling 517-373-1665.

The ORV Trail Improvement Fund is made possible by 100 percent user fees that support the program for trail maintenance and development, resource damage restoration, and law enforcement.

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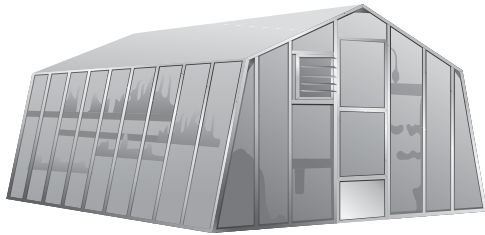
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