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Above: Over the course of two days last week, members of the Manistique High School senior class were trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation by instructors from the Schoolcraft County CPR Association. The class was taught using the American Heart Association's new Heartsaver program for students, which includes video and hands-on instruction in CPR and the use of automatic external defibrillators (AEDs). Twenty-four MHS seniors received the training. Earlier, instructors taught the course to 18 seniors at Big Bay de Noc High School. Instructor Ed Unger says they hope to make the training an annual event at both schools.

Left: Manistique Public Safety Department officials presented a new AED to the high school in a special program Tuesday morning. The device was purchased with the proceeds of the annual Public Safety bicycle auction, held in conjunction with the local car show last Labor Day weekend. From left: Public Safety Director Ken Golat, MHS Principal Butch Yurk with the AED unit, and Sgt. Roger Irie with the AED sign and the case that will be mounted in the high school corridor. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)

Training and technology make MHS a safer place

by Paul Olson

The Manistique Middle and High School is a safer place this week.

On Feb. 7 and 8, 24 members of the senior class received training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation from the Schoolcraft County CPR Association.

The training was followed by a special presentation Tuesday morning, in which officers from the Manistique Public Safety Department unveiled a new automatic external defibrillator (AED) that will be permanently kept at the school.

CPR instructor Ed Unger of Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital says they train hundreds of people a year in the lifesaving technique, but that the student program is new this year — one they'd like to make an annual event for all high school seniors.

After teaching CPR to 18 students at Big Bay de Noc High School, instructors brought the program to MHS, where they trained 24 seniors over the course of two days.

The classes utilized Heartsaver, a new program developed for students by the American Heart Association. The Heartsaver materials were purchased with the help of a \$603 grant awarded last year from the Healthy Youth and Seniors Fund administered by the Schoolcraft County Community Foundation.

The course includes a video specially designed for high school students, along with the familiar hands-on instruction in breathing and chest compression used to assist patients whose hearts have stopped beating, maintaining blood flow to the brain and other vital organs until more advanced care can be given.

The training also includes instruction in using AEDs, devices proven to save lives.

Unlike the large and complicated defibrillators most people are familiar with from TV medical shows, AEDs are small, lightweight and much more "user friendly." Using a simple lighted diagram and clear voice instructions, they literally guide responders through the defibrillation process, including assuring that the device is properly connected to the victim, that an electrical current is only administered if needed, and that it is administered in exactly the right amount.

In recent years, AEDs have become commonplace, not only as part of the equipment carried on emergency vehicles but in many other locations, including schools, stores, airplanes, office buildings, stadiums and any place where large numbers of people gather.

The list of people saved by prompt use of AEDs grows longer each year, including a number of Upper Peninsula residents and at least one in Manistique, who was revived by an AED after collapsing at the local casino.

Public Safety Director Ken Golat said the installation of an AED at the high school was not connected to the recent CPR instruction, but the two projects fit naturally together, since more people in the building are now trained in using the devices.

The unit, which is owned by the city, was purchased with \$960 raised at last year's Public Safety bicycle auction. Normally a low-key affair, it was the 2006 auction turned into a major event when it was moved to Labor Day weekend and held in the downtown area, during the Manistique Merchants Car and Snowmobile Show. With a larger crowd on hand, and two years worth of abandoned bikes to sell, the auction raised a record amount of money.

Golat said they usually earmark the auction proceeds

for the department's bicycle patrol program, but this year they felt the AED project was more important.

The reason, he said, was because the high school is "the focal point of our community," with a large number of students and staff in the building every day and a busy schedule of games, meetings, classes and other programs taking place at all hours.

Because of that extensive facility usage, Golat said, "the likelihood of a cardiac emergency there is very real."

The unit will be mounted in the main corridor of the high school, across from the office, in a special case purchased with a \$159 contribution from the CPR instructors group. When the door of the case is opened to remove the AED, an alarm sounds to alert people that an emergency is underway — or that the unit is being tampered with.

During Tuesday's presentation, Golat and Public Safety Sgt. Roger Irie explained to high school students how the AED works and stressed that the unit is a serious piece of medical equipment.

Students were instructed to touch the device only in the event of a real emergency, and only then to deliver it to trained personnel.

In addition to the students who recently learned how to use the AED, a number of high school faculty members were trained by instructors Irie, Unger and Kris Demers.

Irie said there are currently about 12 AEDs in Schoolcraft County, including units aboard law enforcement cars, ambulances and other emergency vehicles.

Golat said having a unit at the school will enhance the protection of the general public and provide a "life-saving benefit" to the community.

Henry found guilty of negligent homicide

March 22 has been set as the sentencing date for 32-year-old Shane Henry of Manistique, found guilty Tuesday of two counts of negligent homicide in the July 2006 traffic crash deaths of two local women.

Following a two-day trial in 11th Judicial Circuit Court, a jury deliberated for just over 90 minutes before returning the guilty verdicts.

Negligent homicide is a high court misdemeanor, which carries a maximum penalty of up to two years in prison and fines of up to \$2,000 for each count. Procedurally, high court misdemeanors are handled by the courts like felonies.

The accident occurred just after noon on July 6, 2006, on County Road 455, along the west shore of Indian Lake.

Rosemary Quick Roe, 73, was behind the wheel of a Chevrolet minivan with her 82-year-old husband, Leonard

Roe, as a passenger. She was waiting to make a left hand turn onto a side road when the minivan was struck from behind by an Oldsmobile driven by Henry.

The impact forced the minivan into the path of an oncoming vehicle driven by 34-year-old Michael Labadie of downstate Flushing.

Quick-Roe was pronounced dead at the scene.

Jessica Smith, 21, a passenger in Henry's car, was critically injured and died two days later at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Several other people were also injured in the accident. Schoolcraft County Prosecutor Peter Hollenbeck said Tuesday night that he was pleased with the verdict.

He said the defense presented a case in which Quick-Roe was guilty of "contribu-

tory negligence," alleging that she crossed the center line, leading Henry to think she was going to complete her turn, but then came back into the southbound lane.

Hollenbeck said other evidence disputed that theory — but even if true, Henry was still negligent for traveling too fast and too close to Quick-Roe's minivan.

"He was too close to get a full view of the situation and see the whole traffic picture," Hollenbeck said. "If he had seen it, he would have known that she would have to yield for Mr. Labadie's vehicle before making her turn."

Hollenbeck praised the jury in the case.

"They did an excellent job," he said. "Like juries around here do, they took their responsibilities seriously and were able to separate the wheat from the chaff."

Petition mix-up, date change cause confusion

by Paul Olson

Three candidates have filed petitions to run for the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners, and after some initial mix-ups, it appears all three can be on the ballot. Local residents, however, won't be casting their votes quite as soon as they expected.

A pair of County Board seats will be decided in an election that was originally slated to be held in May but will now be moving 90 days later, to Aug. 7, following a decision by the Michigan Bureau of Elections.

On the ballot will be the District 2 seat now held under temporary appointment by Louis Lauzon and the District 4 position being held by appointee Jean Barber.

Lauzon was appointed in December after former District 2 commissioner Dan McKinney learned that he had run for office in violation of the federal Hatch Act and stepped down from the board.

McKinney, now filling his new role of Schoolcraft County Clerk, said Lauzon, a Democrat, was one of two District 2 candidates to file a petition before Tuesday afternoon's deadline. The other was Manistique resident Al Buns.

Initially, McKinney and Pete Dishnow, a specialist with the Bureau of Elections in Marquette, said Buns could not go onto the ballot because he had turned in the wrong kind of petition.

The problem arose because Buns chose to run not as a Democrat or a Republican, but without a party affiliation. Be-

cause of that, he should have submitted a document called a "qualifying petition." Instead, he filed the more familiar "nominating petition" used by partisan candidates.

Candidates

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Petitions filed for school board races

by Paul Olson

It appears an uncontested school board race is in store for Manistique Area Schools voters this year, while officials in the Big Bay de Noc District may be scrambling to find a write-in candidate before the annual election May 8.

Two four-year board of education seats will be on the Big Bay ballot this year. Those seats are currently held by Jon Haindl and Brent Kurth.

According to the Delta County Clerk's office, Haindl was the only person to file a nominating petition before the deadline Tuesday afternoon.

A similar situation occurred in the district just two years ago, when only one person

filed for two positions. Two write-in candidates later stepped forward to run.

That same year, no one initially filed for the MAS Board election, but a trio of write-in candidates announced later.

On this year's MAS ballot will be the seats now held by Grant Harris and Michelle Syers. Both filed petitions to seek re-election. No one else submitted a petition before Tuesday's deadline.

Candidates opting to run a write-in campaign must file a declaration of intent with their county clerk's office by 4 p.m. Friday, April 27. Write-in votes cast for a person cannot be counted unless that person has filed a declaration.

Harborview Towers expansion project moving forward

by Paul Olson

If all goes according to plan, construction could begin this summer on the long-awaited expansion of the Harborview Towers apartments. At Monday night's City Council meeting, Kathy Schuetter, executive director of the Manistique Housing Commission, and Ken Dillinger of U.P. Engineers and Architects gave an update on the project, which has been in the works for several years.

The latest version of the plans still calls for a new apartment building to be constructed adjacent to the existing 25-unit facility.

Dillinger said the new building would contain 24 apartments.

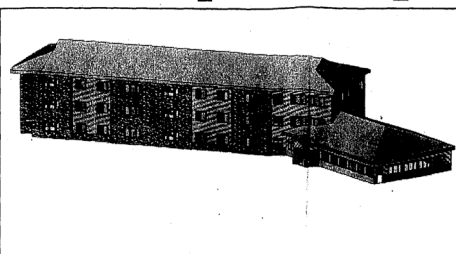
The new plans also include a one-story addition that will be situated between the old and new buildings, housing offices and a community room for apartment complex residents.

The commission had always hoped to have a structure like that linking the two buildings, but didn't expect to complete it in the initial phase.

Schuetter said they were able to move forward after the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) encouraged them to include the office and community room in the current project.

While the building won't be attached to the old apartments right away, it is being designed to allow a connection in the future.

Dillinger said they're waiting for updated cost estimates for the new apartments with the community room addition. It appears that the final price tag will be close to \$3 million,



The latest architect's rendering of the proposed expansion at Harborview Towers. The project now includes a community room and office addition (seen on the right), which will eventually be connected to the existing apartment building. Exterior plans for the addition have also been redesigned to address earlier public concerns that the proposed building was too "stark" or "utilitarian" in appearance.

he said.

In an interview after their presentation, Schuetter stressed that the project will be entirely "self-financed."

"It will be completely supported by revenues from the building," she said. "We won't

be asking for any funds at all from the general public."

The commission hopes to obtain 40 percent of the project, cost through a program provided by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, which is fi-

nanced through the sale of low income housing tax credits.

The balance would be financed by a MSHDA loan, which would be paid off over 35 years, at an interest rate of approximately 4.5 percent.

Dillinger said they have a

number of preliminary steps to complete before submitting their funding applications, but that everything should go smoothly after that.

Schuetter agreed, noting that MSHDA funds are available and that agency officials are supportive of the project.

"They said our numbers were excellent, they're excited about the project, and they want to see it go through," she said.

According to Dillinger, they should know by early May if they will receive funding. If so, they can start construction in June, with an eye toward finishing the addition by the spring of 2008.

In other business Monday, council voted 4-1 to sell lot number 11 in the city owned park to Don Wood, owner of Southeastern Hedges Services, for \$6,000.

Wood was the only bidder for the parcel, which is located next to Online Engineering, the only other industrial park

tenant. He hopes to construct an office building at the site.

This was the second time council considered a bid from Wood.

At their Jan. 22 meeting, they had to throw out Wood's \$6,000 purchase offer after it was learned that the property had only been advertised for sale one time — contrary to city charter requirements that call for two bid ads.

The city re-advertised the property twice since then and received a new bid from Wood, but council members still ran into a hurdle when it was time to approve the sale.

The issue arose before the meeting, when City Clerk Deborah Dougovito pointed out yet another charter requirement to City Attorney John Filaromo — this one requiring property sales to be open for public inspection for 10 days before being finalized.

Filaromo said he would accept the "blame" for not informing council about the pro-

cedure, but noted the legal question had never been raised before.

In fact, Filaromo and several council members could not recall any past property sale that had followed the requirement for a 10-day waiting period.

A few council members were angry about the latest delay.

"I'm concerned about this," Mayor David Peterson said. "I'm concerned that we're just finding out about this now. We asked about the procedure, we followed the procedure, and now this. I'm worried that we had a bidder whose not going to be happy."

Council member Chris Rantanen said the issue reflected badly on council.

"This is two meetings in a row where we haven't had the

City Council

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Fish Report

By Ret. Sgt. John Walker

Well, it looks like we may have to wait yet another week before we get a real warm up. This cold snap has been one that makes everyone ready for a change in temperature in the up direction. Of course you want to remember the Exspurts tell us the fish should be hitting when the weather hits bottom and starts in the other direction. Of course the key to when this actually is can be the big question.

I have been reading a few articles about the financial woes in state government especially within the DNR. In the past number of years I have written about the direction things were going and what the result would be down the road. A number of things I have talked about have come to pass. But get ready, they are going to put a band-aid on the problem to try and solve it once again. Needless to say it will not work and will prove once again to be just a temporary fix.

The key to the financial woes for the DNR can be easily seen if you read the articles and glean out some of the facts within their own articles. I think the key is where they state, "There has been a steady decline in those purchasing hunting and fishing licenses." There have been 175,000 fewer hunters and 186,000 fewer fishermen in 2005 than in 1996. I personally feel that this number has continued to increase since 2005. If you take these two figures and just average out what may be lost from the sales of hunting and fishing licenses you could easily be over \$4,000,000 a year in lost revenue.

To increase the cost of hunting and fishing licenses (and I am not being the wisdom of this) here) will not help solve the major problem facing the Department of Natural Resources. It will only cause these two figures to grow. I feel in order to see an increase in those involved in the sports of hunting and fishing there has to be a change in philosophies within the DNR and I personally do not see this coming anytime soon.

There is an old saying about getting a business that is seeing a slow down, back on track. It goes like this, "Sit down and take time to recall what got you where you were in the first place and see how many of these points have fallen by the wayside." Then take the time to see if a number of them can be put back in place to turn things around."

Now I realize we live in a different time and age, but in the next couple of weeks in the Fish Report we will be hitting (maybe repeating) a few of the changes that have taken place.

I want to use the rest of the Fish Report to tell you just what I feel is the reason our nation is as great as it is and

just who we have to be thankful to that it was that way when we grew up.

Now when a person, society considers important passes away we have 24-7 coverage of just how great they were and all that they have contributed to our Nation. I personally feel there is a different reason our Nation has survived all the years it has and when we lose this we are all going to be in trouble.

This week a man passed away that will never make the history books. In fact, he will never be remembered for being a great inventor or statesman. No, he will only be remembered by those of us that knew him as a hard working, loving husband and father trying to raise his kids up right and support his family.

He grew up on a small U.P. farm and later went to work in the mines in the Crystal Falls area. He could speak two languages English and Finnish. When the mines closed he transferred over to Manistique to work at Inland Quarry. He came to our town with his wife, three daughters, and one son. For those that knew him at inland they all talked about his work ethics and how hard he worked and how strong he was. He loved the great outdoors and you could get him to talk about it whenever you stopped by to see him.

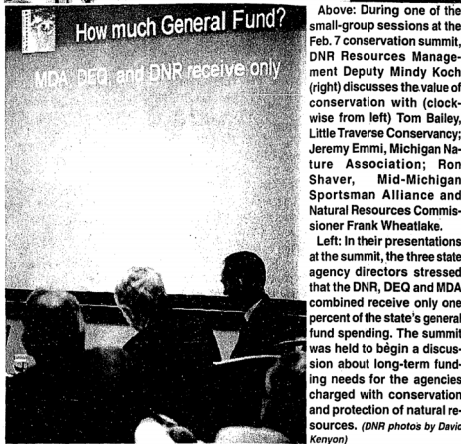
In fact the last time I was at his house with Wife he asked all about camp and if the kids had been up there lately. He loved to come by camp. A true Yooper never gets tired of this. He asked about all our kids and how they were doing. His three girls were at his home now because time was short for dad, and his son was making plans to get home from his base in Texas. Wife heard he would like one more of her lemon pies, so she made a couple and took them out for this family.

This past Sunday Arvo Kettula went off to join his wife of so many years. Arvo will never go down in history, but he left a legacy that all dads would be proud to leave behind, a family you can be proud of.

What makes our Nation great? It is the thousands and thousands of men just like Mr. Kettula who through the years have been the backbone of the United States of America. Those who when they pass on leave another generation of hard working offspring to carry on the family values they had.

What do I remember about Arvo? Telling Wife, "Tell John to shoot them (the deer) in the neck and they drop right there and you don't have to look for them!"

As I have said in the Fish Report many times, "Life is made up of memories" and there are a lot of good ones here.



How much General Fund? MDA, DEQ, and DNR receive only

Above: During one of the small-group sessions at the Feb. 7 conservation summit, DNR Resources Management Deputy Mindy Koch (right) discusses the value of conservation with (clockwise from left) Tom Bailey, Little Traverse Conservancy; Jeremy Emmi, Michigan Nature Association; Ron Shaver, Mid-Michigan Sportsman Alliance and Natural Resources Commissioner Frank Wheatlake.

Left: In his presentations at the summit, the three state agency directors stressed that the DNR, DEQ and MDA combined receive only one percent of the state's general fund spending. The summit was held to begin a discussion about long-term funding needs for the agencies charged with conservation and protection of natural resources. (DNR photos by David Kenyon)

Stakeholders gather at summit

Editor's note: the following article is part of a Michigan Department of Natural Resources' program called "Showcasing the DNR."

More than 150 conservation leaders and stakeholders from around Michigan gathered in Lansing Feb. 7 to discuss funding concerns for conservation and how to plan for the future.

The first-ever statewide Conservation Summit was hosted by the Michigan Natural Resources Commission and featured a discussion on the state's economy and the fiscal impact it has had on conservation and services delivered by the Michigan departments of Natural Resources, Environmental Quality, and Agriculture.

"We have a quality of life that is unparalleled in the country, but the future of conservation as we know and love it is in crisis," said NRC Chair Keith Charters.

Charters said the state needs a frank, serious discussion about long-term funding needs for the state agencies charged with conservation and protection of natural resources.

The summit, Charters said, "is a springboard to do just

viewing wildlife on private lands.

Meantime, a lot of other people are being asked to pay more than their share, both to support the programs they do use and to make up for the "non-payments" by other users.

And because there are not established revenue programs by which non-payers can pay their share, when costs rise the only way to offset them is to raise prices of hunting and fishing licenses and increase camping fees. That, of course, merely adds to the unfairness.

This imbalance was underscored by Matt Hogan, one of the summit's presenters, who is the executive director of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

During his presentation, Hogan explained that while hunting, fishing and wildlife viewing are an economic engine for state economies, little of that money is returned to state wildlife agencies.

Summit

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By Tom Earle-Bridges

Artificial plants and flowers have come a long way since the unfortunate introduction of their plastic forerunners several decades ago. In many instances, a detailed scrutiny is necessary in order to determine whether the botanical in question is the genuine article or not.

However, no matter how realistic the artificial plant or flower may have been manufactured, if it is not utilized in a realistic manner, the complete effect of naturalism will be lost.

Right at this very moment, I'm looking at a classic example of what I'm talking about. Sitting on top of my computer desk is a

floral arrangement I made for a customer about 10 years ago. Condition-wise, the artificial flowers are holding up quiet well. It is safe to say that the customer received an excellent value for the money they invested for their arrangement. None the less, after 10 years, the bouquet is definitely in need of some re-freshing.

The first thing that will need to be done is to clean the flowers. Nothing says "artificial flowers" more than a thick layer of dust covering all the leaves and petals. Depending on what type of arrangement you have, cleaning can be accomplished by a gentle vacuuming, a soft brushing with a pliable paint brush, or even a slight soaking with a spray of water in the sink or shower.

To ensure a realistic quality to your artificial bouquet, it's important to maintain the individual flowers in a naturalistic manner. One of my pet peeves is to see artificial plants and flowers with upside down leaves, squished flower petals and unnaturally bent stems. If an artificial is to appear natural, it needs

to be placed into the arrangement looking as it would had it been growing that way in nature. Many of the better quality artificial plants available today now come with individually wired leaves and flower petals, allowing awkwardly bent stems to be easily adjusted, resulting in an even higher degree of naturalism.

Something that a lot of people don't know is most artificial plants and flowers come with tags or labels that identify what species of plant they are supposed to be. This further facilitates being able to identify how the plant might grow, how the flowers would hold themselves and their general all around deportment.

Another thing to stay clear of are artificial plants or flowers in unconvincing, non-naturalistic colors. If they match the sofa's upholstery but if the hue is of the sort not likely ever to be found in nature, chances are good the artificial plant or flower will stand out like a sore thumb.

I welcome your comments. You may reach me via email at ret@chartermi.net.

Trappers association to host a workshop in Menominee county

District 3 of the U.P. Trappers Association will hold a special trappers' workshop Saturday, Feb. 17, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Eastern time, at the Hermansville Community Center in Hermansville.

Association members and the general public are invited to attend the event, which will

include trapping and furs handling demonstrations, trapping supplies for sale, the purchase of fur, door prizes, lunch and more.

All trappers are encouraged to bring any extra traps or supplies they want to swap or sell.

For more information, call Rick Arduin at (906) 498-7639

(9 a.m. to 3 p.m.) or (906) 498-2261 in the evening. You can reach him by e-mail at rick@upwldidg.com.

You can also contact Bob Steinmetz at (906) 786-6265 or beaverbob@uptrappers.com.

The association Web site is located at www.uptrappers.com.

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Free fishing weekend

Michigan's annual Winter Free Fishing Weekend will take place this Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 17 and 18. For those two days, residents and nonresidents can fish without purchasing a license. All other regulations still apply.

The Department of Natural Resources reminds all anglers to dress warmly, use the buddy system, always wear a life jacket and use caution when traveling across any ice.

For more information, go to www.michigan.gov/dnr.

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Advertisement for CN (Canadian National) featuring a train and a person in winter gear. Text includes: "CN NORTH AMERICA'S RAILROAD", "www.cn.ca", "all aboard for safety"

Court fines up; library to benefit

by Paul Olson

Area residents who violate traffic laws are paying more for their mistakes, following a Feb. 1 increase in fines and costs levied by the 93rd District Court.

Court officials say the fees are the first since 2004, and will bring the Schoolcraft and Alger county courts into line with fines assessed in other Upper Peninsula jurisdictions.

One change likely to affect many local drivers is a switch in the way fines are levied for certain speed limit violations.

In the past, drivers guilty of traveling five to 10 miles per hour over the posted limit would be assessed on a sliding scale: \$71 for a five-mile-over violation, \$75 for six miles over, \$79 for seven miles over, and so forth, up to a fine of \$91 for driving 10 miles an hour over the limit.

With the new fee schedule, all violations from one to 10 miles an hour over the limit will bring a fine of \$100.

Other notable changes include:

• A \$20 hike in the fine for a child-restraint violation, from \$65 to \$85;

• A jump for \$86 to \$90 for driving with defective equipment;

• An increase from \$80 to \$90 for driving with an expired license and \$86 to \$90 for not having a valid license on your person;

District Court Fines A Comparison

Table with columns: Schoolcraft Old Rate, Schoolcraft New Rate, Delta County, Luce County, Mackinac County. Rows include Speeding (1-10 mph over), Registration Violation, School Bus Violation.

person;

• An increase from \$80 to \$100 for operating a motorcycle without a helmet;

• A hike from \$186 to \$200 for refusing a preliminary breath test;

• An increase from \$111 to \$135 for violating vehicle registration requirements;

• An increase from \$150 to \$255 for failing to stop for a school bus with its red flashers operating.

A complete list of new fines and costs is available from the 93rd District Court office, located in room 135 at the Schoolcraft County Courthouse.

One organization almost certain to benefit from the new higher penalties is the Manistiquette School and Public Library, which receives a substantial portion of its funding from court-levied "penal fines."

Michigan law requires a percentage of fines collected for state penal code violations to be distributed to public libraries. The amount is determined each year based on population and the "split" established by the local court.

For example, court officials say, a \$100 speeding fine is distributed as follows: \$40 to the state, \$40 to court costs and \$20 earmarked as penal fines for the library fund.

Library Director Mary Hook says penal fines are a critical component of their operations, accounting for roughly 50 percent of their annual budget.

For the public, non-school portion of the budget, the library receives about \$7,000 in state aid and a varying amount of donation revenue from local residents and units of government.

The remainder comes from penal fines.

"Without a doubt, it's our main source of public funding," she says.

According to the most recent report compiled by the Library of Michigan, \$80,552 in penal fines were collected in Schoolcraft County in 2006. With another \$1,168 in interest income, the total amount available was \$81,721.

Of that, \$2,000 went to maintain the public law library in the courthouse. The rest, \$79,721, went to the Manistiquette School and Public Library.

"While it's too early to know the impact of the new fine increases, Hook says it will certainly result in more money for the library."

"It's revenue we'll welcome," she says. "We couldn't operate without it."

Federal wolf delisting takes effect March 12

The final rule removing wolves in the western Great Lakes from the list of endangered species was published Feb. 8 in the Federal Register and will take effect on March 12.

In announcing the publication, Robyn Thorson, Midwest regional director for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, said, "Wolves are back in the part of the country because a broad spectrum of people approached the task of recovery as a common goal, and every partner played a part in achieving this success. The states of Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin, members of tribes, a number of conservation organizations, and the citizens of these states are to be commended — all are authors of this historic conservation success story."

Thorson said a variety of efforts led to recovery of the wolf population in the western Great Lakes, including protection under the Endangered Species Act and increased public knowledge of the wolf and its role in the ecosystem.

"The removal of these wolves from the endangered species list ends federal direction of the recovery effort," Thorson explained. "With robust wolf populations and sound management plans in place in the three states, the effort to save the gray wolf from extinction enters a new phase, with states and tribes assuming lead responsibility for the future of the species. We have turned the corner and moved beyond wolf recovery to the new challenge of long-term wolf management."

Until the delisting rule goes effective March 12, gray wolves remain federally classified and protected as endangered, except in Minnesota where they are threatened.

The Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin Departments of Natural Resources have all developed plans to guide wolf management actions in the future. The Fish and Wildlife Service reviewed the plans and found they established a "sufficient basis for long-term wolf management."

"Issues" such as protective regulations, control of problem animals, possible hunting and trapping schemes, as well as long-term health of the wolf population, will be governed by the appropriate state or tribe.

In Michigan, a draft of the revised wolf management plan is scheduled to be released for public comment this spring. The Fish and Wildlife Service will monitor wolf populations in the western Great Lakes for a minimum of five years to ensure that delisting was not done prematurely.

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Clarification

An article about former Manistiquette resident Sherr Dessell in our Feb. 8 issue included some incorrect information. The article should have stated that Dessell graduated from Manistiquette High School in 1983 and Northern Michigan University in 1988.

We will correct or clarify all mistakes of fact that appear in our pages. Contact the editor at 900-541-5200 or newsroom@pioneertribune.com

Letters to the Editor newsroom@pioneertribune.com

Dear Editor, In consideration of naming the new elementary school, I'm in agreement that it should be named after Marie La Fave.

Mrs. La Fave was such a tremendous influence on multiple generations of children in the community. She exemplified what a teacher should be to a student. Her kind and generous nature was tempered with an ability to make lessons meaningful to us, as well as providing us ample opportunities to apply our knowledge. She unflinchingly provided us with a safe, nurturing environment in which to learn. I loved having her tie my hat or scarf around my neck as we readied ourselves for recess that's when you'd get a "little hug to keep you snug."

When I was attending college to become an elementary teacher, I used Mrs. La Fave as my personal example for the type of teacher I'd like to become. She was always interested in me and how I was doing in school. She often times provided advice and guidance to me from her room at Medicare. I'd supply her with examples of my student's work, and she was able to "read" what type of student they were from their artwork or from their writing. Her advice to me was to "love them all; and the difficult ones you love more." Her advice to me was invaluable. Mrs. La Fave was still teaching me when she was well into her 90s.

It is because of her dedication to the profession of teaching, and her love and dedication to the many generations of students that she nurtured over the decades, that the new elementary school should be called "The Marie La Fave Community School."

Sincerely, Meg Barham Bloch Mequon, Wis.

Letter to the Editor: I would like to address everyone who has been so negative and remind you that the students of the Manistiquette School District all voted and overwhelmingly chose the name "Emerald Elementary" for the name of THEIR new school! The name represents our children. After all, it is who we are — We are the Emeralds!

Secondly, I understand wanting to name the school after one of the great teachers that have served this community over the years. We all have that one special teacher who has made a difference to us, and who stands out more than all the rest, but to choose only ONE of them would seem truly unfair and disrespectful to all the others.

Finally, about naming it Lakeside. It was a good school. So was Hiawatha, Lincoln and Fairview are also good schools. They mean a great deal to all of us who went to these schools, and those teachers who taught at

them and still are teaching at them. Change is hard to accept. However, it is a new beginning with a new school. The appropriate decision is to give this school a new name.

We should be thankful that our students came together and chose a name for our new building and respect the choice they've made.

Thank you, Kristie Swanson Manistiquette

Letter to the Editor: On the 02/12/07 Manistiquette City Council meeting, I witnessed Manistiquette's commitment to sell lot 11, of the City of Manistiquette industrial park. As I understood the proceedings, the process by which it was sold was more devoid of public interest, and understanding, than the manner in which lot 12 was sold to Online Engineering.

As I understood the process, the Manistiquette City Council voted, 4 to 1, to sell the 2.2 acre lot to Don Wood, for \$6,000, with no other terms beyond payment due after MDEQ environment contamination assessment; and cleanup if required, consistent with existing "Brownfield" legislation and options; if and when that ever occurs.

Councilman Dan Evinich tried to gain something, by written contract, in return for the great deal, beyond heavy commitments from City Manager Aldrich, and Mayor Pe-

terson. City Attorney Fiorano strove mightily to pound some sense into the majority of Council by explaining that Council had the right to include any terms in the sales contract, and what they failed to include he could not add.

After a round of blame aimed at Fiorano, that he graciously accepted, for most council members' gross ignorance of the basics of a real estate contract and Manistiquette City Charter real estate requirements, the lot was sold.

Agate Fiorano's rarely seen magnificent counsel to represent the public's interest in the transaction, or the Council's responsibilities, the majority made what I can only consider to be a truly brazen decision to sell the property, with nothing due from Mr. Wood beyond a commitment to pay at some undefined future date.

I remember not one word of consequence, from City Manager Aldrich.

Given no utilities, and the requirement for extensive clearing and leveling of the properties, and assuming my written understanding of events last night is correct, I hereby make this public offer of \$4,000 for two lots, \$2,000 for lot 1, and \$2,000 for lot 2, of Manistiquette's industrial park, with the same terms as given to Don Wood with his purchase of lot 11 of the Manistiquette industrial park.

Peter Markham Manistiquette

House Republicans: The Ship Keeps Sinking

I guess I'm supposed to be outraged or something because House Speaker Nancy Pelosi is going to take a large Air Force jet for trips back home to San Francisco.

Yawn. If the House Speaker would institute a flat tax, dismantle the Department of Education and withdraw America from the United Nations, she could fly on a double-decker jumbo jet with a personal masseuse, live hands and individually prepared meals.

I'd vote. Acts of extravagance by elected officials always seem like good grid for rivals' soundbites, but they are the epitome of political messages. As such, the decision by House Republicans to jump all over Pelosi about the plane is a poor indication of the GOP's readiness to reclaim control of the national debate.

"An extravaganza of power that the taxpayers won't swallow!" huffs Rep. Adam Putnam, the number three leader in the House Republican leadership. Because, of course, an elected official availing his or herself of a perk is heretofore unimaginable in America.

Besides, when the GOP controlled the House, they didn't gape the taxpayers with billions in pork barrel earmarks for projects like the Alaska Bridge to Nowhere. Oh wait. They did. And taxpayers decided that if they were going to have a big-spending party in charge of Congress, they might as well elect the one that celebrates government spending with every fiber of its being. Why elect faux Democrats when you can have the real thing?

The Republican approach to the Pelosi plane uproar — a veto to say, in their decision to cause an uproar — does not seem off to a good start as the new minority party. Minority parties can basically take one of two approaches: 1. Whine, complain, accuse and generally snipe at the majority about everything (see: Democrats, 1995-2006); or 2. Bring forth bold policy initiatives, knowing full well that they can't pass in the current environment, but nonetheless advocate for great ideas and keep fighting for their place on the national agenda.

Minority parties who take the first approach either have no ideas or have no confidence in their ideas. Then again, what ideas would we expect the House Republicans to have? When they were in the majority, they spent like

drunken sailors while declining to take on any of the nation's most pressing problems, like Social Security reform or domestic energy production.

Once in the minority, they elected pretty much the same crew of leaders that took their ship down in the first place. Ideas? From this bunch?

The current House Republican minority acts more like its antecedent under the ineffective Bob Michel, the longtime Minority Leader For Life who accepted his role as Tip O'Neill's lapdog and never a million years expected to capture the majority. Michel knew the system when the Democrats ran the show in those days. It was all about individual members bringing home the bacon to their districts. If Bob could be Tip's pal, Republicans wouldn't be completely barred from riding the gravy train.

The new Democratic majority will do much that deserves to be criticized. Word is they may attempt to close Guantanamo Bay prison. They will certainly try to prevent President Bush's tax cuts from becoming permanent. They will surely launch any number of politically motivated, sham investigations. When they do, House Republicans should criticize. It's their job to speak up about substantive issues.

But even there, one wonders if they will make truly substantive arguments. Guantanamo is an invaluable tool for gathering intelligence from captured terrorists, and if the rest of the world doesn't like it, too bad. Will they say that? Or will they read the poll numbers and wimp out?

Then again, maybe they can just complain about airplane use by the speaker. What an outrageous abuse of taxpayer money! Earmarks for projects in Republican districts — now that's an appropriate abuse of taxpayer money.

Conservative ideas are winners when offered by champions who present them with the enthusiasm and optimism they deserve. But it takes an intellectual heavyweight to win that battle of ideas. Slugs like they will stick with what they know, so we should probably expect more of approach number one.

Whine, complain, offer nothing. Just the plan to usher in a generation in the minority.

After serving as editor in chief of his college newspaper, Dan Calabrese did reporting work for various newspapers around Michigan, including an internship at the Macomb

Daily and stints with the Royal Oak Daily Tribune (as a freelancer), the Journal Newspaper in Wayne County and the Grand Rapids Business Journal. Former state senator, before more than a decade in the field of public relations. He is a former candidate for Michigan House of Representatives and has provided various political figures including former state senator Loren Bennett, the 2002 Republican nominee for Lieutenant Governor.

WEEKLY WEATHER RECAP

The following weather information starts Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2007

Table with columns: DAY, HIGH, LOW, PRECIP. Rows include Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday.

A Look Back at the...

Pioneer-Tribune Archives

40 Years Ago February 16, 1967

Manistiquette city charter is due for an overhaul. Members of the city council agreed Monday night to call a special election as soon as possible, in which a nine-member charter commission would be elected. It would be their job to draw up a new charter for the city. Such a document would replace the existing 40-year-old charter that has served the city since it was adopted Dec. 7, 1925. When the existing charter was drawn up, R.B. Waddell served as chairman of the charter commission. Members were Benjamin Gero, F.N. Cookson, George H. Brusie, J. Joseph Herbert, A.O. Devadiah, W.C. Stephens, Alex. Creighton and William S. Crowe. Their charter was approved Oct. 29, 1925, by Gov. Alex. J. Groesbeck, and submitted to a vote of the people Dec. 7. An extensive information campaign and endorsement of the proposal by leading citizens of the community resulted in the charter being adopted by a smashing 819-181 majority.

Members of VFW Post #420 will stage their fifth annual Recognition Banquet honoring World War I veterans, their wives and widows, tonight at the VFW Hall. A social hour from 6 to 7 p.m. will be followed by the banquet. A short program is also scheduled.

Some of the mysteries of high school wrestling were unfolded to the gaze of a large crowd in the gym at the high school last Thursday evening, when the leading Manistiquette team met Newberry in an exhibition contest. Coach Ron Rubick's squad, which has just begun to get acquainted with the sport, score a 42-15 unofficial win in the contest.

Purchase of 53 acres of land adjacent to the city sheds, now owned by the Manistiquette Industrial Development Corporation, was approved Monday night by city council. Cost of the property is \$5,000, which covers the development group's original investment, plus six percent interest. The private industrial group purchased the land several years ago as a favor to the city, when municipal finances would not allow such an investment. Council plans to use some of the land for needed improvements to city sheds, but will retain the balance for potential industrial sites.

30 Years Ago February 17, 1977

Reports of a mysterious unidentified flying object hovering over Lake Michigan have been filtering into the Manistiquette State Police office. State Police said that Craig Gogola filed a report with the post stating that he had witnessed a UFO over the lake Sunday night, Feb. 13. Gogola said the object hovered in the sky for a period of time and that it apparently had flashing lights. City police officers David Peterson and Don Brock also indicated they had seen the object on previous nights, also over Lake Michigan. Other state police officers said they, too, had witnessed the hovering object while on night patrol. State Police theorize that it could be a light reflected off one of the satellites in orbit.

The Manistiquette Area Board of Education gave its final approval for the purchase of land adjacent to the new high school. The land, owned by Tom and Bob Mercier, carries a price tag of \$11,500. The district is projecting a number of things the land could be used for, including a parking area and assembly point and marching area for the high school band.

It was hard not to come away with an opinion after the Emeralds' last-second 53-52 loss to Neguvas Friday night. Some fans thought the Emeralds were "robbed" of two seconds when officials rolled the clock back from five to seven seconds after Rick Berger hit a 22-foot jump shot to hand Manistiquette its second lead of the night, 52-51. The Miners promptly called a timeout, and after discussion among officials, the timer and Neguvas coach Dave Hallgren, two seconds were added back to the clock. To some, it was akin to Olympic officials giving the Russians a few seconds after time had run out in their race showdown with the U.S. at Munich in 1972. The Soviets called a timeout and scored at the buzzer to win. On Friday night, Miner forward Tom O'Neill received the ball at the scoring key and lobbed a 35-foot shot that bounced off the backboard and into the basket as the buzzer sounded.

20 Years Ago February 19, 1987

Manistiquette's volunteer fire fighters do more than fight fires. With funds raised throughout the year, volunteers purchased a new equipment van for the Manistiquette Fire Department. Keys to the van were presented to Public Safety Director James St. Louis this morning at the ceremony equipped with emergency lights, a smoke ejector fan, Stott air packs, a portable generator and a saw capable of cutting steel. New lights, fire extinguishers and two complete sets of turnout gear will be added.

Don't worry about any coverage of this year's CBC Drive. The missing people agency have been found. Sheriff Gary Maddox read in last week's Pioneer-Tribune that the apes were missing, and solved the case with a simple phone call to Dick Keatic. The apes were in storage at the jail... just as they have been in previous years. Stored and forgotten, that is, until the sheriff's memory was jogged. And now? The users will be covered up in regular patrol, let the drive continue.

With three of the starting five Emeralds' varsity players out of the lineup for various reasons the Emeralds didn't put up much of a resistance as they bowed to the Gladstone Braves Tuesday night at home 65-38. Missing from action were Steve Godlewski who sprained his ankle, and John Schmeicher and Darrel Lauson. The Emeralds did not have a single player in double digits as Tim Perillous led the Emerald scoring attack with 10. Brian Brazans had 8 points and led the rebounding with 10.

40 Years Ago February 20, 1947

It was originally known as the Opera House, and many older Schoolcraft County residents continue to call it by that name. To younger folks it was familiar as a fair building, a roller rink, a car dealer's garage or a storage building. Whatever it was called, everyone agrees that the building next to Curran GM on Maple Street was one of the oldest buildings in Manistiquette, until age and damage caught up to it this week. Don Curran, the building's current owner, said his family really doesn't know all that much about the old structure, and that reliable information has been hard to come by over the years. "Even the people who know everything about Manistiquette can't tell you much about this building," Curran said. A crew from Manistiquette Rotarians prepared to demolish the structure. "Maybe someone out there has some information, and they'll see this and come forward."

As their regular meeting Monday, the Manistiquette Area Schools Board of Education got a close look at architects' plans for a new centralized elementary school at the existing Lakeside Elementary. The plans show what a new facility for students in kindergarten through sixth grade might look like, if funding is approved in a special April 8 bond issue election. The cost of the school is \$5.5 million, or approximately half of the proposed \$11 million bond issue.

Members of the Manistiquette High School Winterfest Court are Shelly Boyd, Franny Hyland, Denise Jean, Jon Larson, Terri Lund, Casey McLeod, Julie McManus, Chrissy Nagy, Amy Orr, Paul Refsland, Jamie St. Pierre, Scott Toennesen, Abe Varoni and Kathy Vaughan. The 1997 king and queen will be crowned at Friday's game between Manistiquette and Munising

Walk for Warmth

Organizers of the upcoming Walk for Warmth in Manistiquette are still looking for individuals, families, groups of friends, and clubs, business teams, and others to take part in the annual event, which raises money for the home heating assistance fund maintained by the Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft Community Action Agency.

The year's walk takes place Saturday, Feb. 24, beginning and ending at the Manistiquette Senior Citizens Center on Main Street.

Registration will get underway at 9:30 a.m., and walkers will step off at 10 a.m., going from the Senior Center to the U.S. Post Office, then back north to the Siphon Bridge, before returning to the center.

While the recent bout of frigid weather has dramatically highlighted the need for the home heating assistance program, local CAA agent Jean Barber says the demand is always there.

While basic living expenses continue to increase, she says, the household income for many families has remained flat — and many in Schoolcraft County are coping with heating emergencies.

The CAA is also feeling the pinch, Barber adds, as the agency has received much less

money for heating assistance programs this year. In fact, the amount of funding received by the tri-county CAA plunged from \$143,000 to just \$33,100.

Barber notes that every dollar collected through the local Walk for Warmth will stay in Schoolcraft County, assisting local families with their heating emergencies.

Since 1998, a total of \$131,551 has been raised through the annual campaign, which has provided assistance to 127 households and 336 local residents.

Pledge sheets for this year's walk can be picked up at the local CAA office, located on the second floor of the Schoolcraft County Courthouse.

Donations to the heating assistance program are accepted throughout the year. They can be delivered in person to the local office or mailed to: CAA, 300 Walnut St., Room 206, Manistiquette, MI 49854.

In addition, people can support the campaign by purchasing Walk for Warmth "boots," which are now on sale at local service stations.

There will also be a bake sale and many in Schoolcraft County are coping with heating emergencies.

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Obituaries

Maria M. Brock



Maria M. Brock, 91, of Manistique, Mich., died Friday, Feb. 9, 2007, at her home. She was born April 11, 1915, in Slasiun, Germany, the daughter of Karl and Beate (Tyrella) Hornik and came to the United States in the early 1950s.

Maria attended the First Baptist Church in Manistique, where she enjoyed singing in the choir. She was formerly employed at Van Dyck's Grocery, Schuster's Red Owl, John's Market and Vaughan's Grocery in Manistique and was the manager of a grocery store in Berlin, Germany prior to moving to the United States. She was a former member of the Manistique Senior Swingers Band and enjoyed reading, playing bingo and watching sports.

Survivors include: two sisters, Ilse Fisher and Ruth Grapp of Germany; and several nieces and nephews, including Sigrid Doyle of Manistique.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by four sisters, Kathie Wood, Inge Adam, Irma Grimmer and Waltraut Neuman.

Memorial services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, at First Baptist Church in Manistique with Reverend Jay Martin officiating.

Immediately following the memorial service, a luncheon was held at the church.

Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique assisted the family with arrangements.

Online condolences can be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Harold Jewett

Harold "Stubby" Jewett, 74, of Manistique, Mich., died Monday, Feb. 5, 2007, in Zephyrhills, Fla.

He was born Sept. 13, 1932, in Manistique, the son of Claude and Demaris (Anderson) Jewett and attended schools in Manistique.

On Sept. 22, 1962, he married Karen Knops in Milwaukee, Wis.

Stubby was formerly employed with the Schoolcraft County Road Commission. He enjoyed playing cards and dominoes, and working in the woods.

Survivors include: his wife, Karen of Manistique; two sons, Brian Jewett of Park Falls, Wis. and Jeffrey (Debbie) Jewett of Fond du Lac, Wis.; daughter, Jodie (Russ) Johnson of Gulliver; eight grandchildren; mother, Demaris Jewett of Manistique; and brother, Ben (Lois) Jewett of Gulliver.

His father, Claude, preceded him in death. Visitation was held 3-5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, at Church of the Redeemer-Presbyterian in Manistique. A memorial service followed at 5 p.m. with Reverend James Troyer officiating.

Myrtle I. McKenzie

Myrtle I. McKenzie, 67, of Gulliver, Mich., died Thursday, Feb. 1, 2007, at Marquette General Hospital in Marquette, Mich. She was born May 27, 1939, in Manistique, Mich., the daughter of the late Martin and Mildred (Wood) Holmberg and attended Manistique area schools.

On December 5, 1959, the former Myrtle I. Holmberg married Antonio "Tony" E. McKenzie in Carp River, Mich. Together they have lived and worked in Wisconsin and Pennsylvania and moved back to the Manistique area in 1998.

Myrtle enjoyed craftwork, traveling, going to the casino, and was an avid Green Bay Packer fan. Most important to her was the time she spent with her family, especially her husband and twin sister, Marie.

Survivors include: her husband, Tony McKenzie of Gulliver; two sisters, Elva Jean (Robert) Ammann of Plantation, Fla. and Marie (Aaron) White of Manistique; brother, John "Jack" (Sharon) Holmberg of Appleton, Wis.; along with several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Martin "Bud" and Donald Holmberg; and sister, Sally Ann Holmberg.

Visitation was held 2-4 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique. Funeral services followed at 4 p.m. with Reverend Don Bedwell officiating.

Burial will be held in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique. Memorial donations may be directed to the American Cancer Society.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.



Eula M. Burton

Eula M. Burton, 78, of Manistique, Mich., died Saturday, Feb. 10, 2007, at her home. She was born April 10, 1928, in Muskegon, Mich., the daughter of Abie and Flossie (Jones) McGahan. She attended the McMillan High School.

On Jan. 1, 1947, she married Herbert L. Burton in Gormfask, Mich. He preceded her in death on Feb. 25, 1977 and Eula moved to Manistique in December 2000.

Eula was a member of the Superior County Baptist Church of Gormfask and the V.F.W. Auxiliary Post No. 6030 of Gormfask. She was formerly employed as a certified nurse's aide at the Applewood Manor in McMillan. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting and quilting, but her main interest was loving and caring for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include: three sons, Herbert (Pat) Burton and Hal "Chip" (Beverly) Burton of Gormfask and Scott (Terre) Burton of Manistique; four daughters, Shirley (Jesse) Kropp of Basin Mont, Bonnie (Bill) Merritt of Remus, Mich., Lori (Vern Jr.) Hamill of Abrams, Wis. and Jo Anne Burton of Newberry, Mich.; 22 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; brother, Pete McGahan of Gulliver, Mich.; four sisters, Velma Smart of Neshota, Vera Burton of Gormfask, Mary Lou (George) Knoll of La Sal, Utah and Lena Sutton of Curtis, Mich.; several nieces and nephews and special friends, Laura Hollingshead of Seney, Mich. and Ruthie Teske of Newberry.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Barry LeRoy Burton on Aug. 6, 1949.

Visitation was 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique. Funeral service followed at 7 p.m. with Pastor J. D. Livermore, Jr. officiating. Burial will be in the Riverside Cemetery at Gormfask, Michigan.

Online condolences can be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

George F. Solar, Jr.

George F. Solar, Jr., 85, Manistique, Mich., died unexpectedly on Tuesday, February 6, 2007, at his home.

He was born Oct. 7, 1921, in Chicago, Ill., the son of George and Mary (Sole) Solar. He attended schools in Manistique.

On May 5, 1967, he married Bernice Burrell Johnson in Manistique. She preceded him in death on April 8, 1989.

George was a member of the St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church of Manistique. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was employed at Inland Lime and Stone Company for 37 years. He loved to feed the wild ducks and chipmunks behind his home and enjoyed taking photographs and videos.

Survivors include: his brother, John Solar of Dyer, Ind.; three sisters, Frances (Don) Herbst of Mesa, Ariz., Dolores (Wallace) Hokenson of Manistique and Katherine Watts of Hobart, Ind.; several nieces and nephews; stepsons, Richard Johnson of Flint, Mich. and Donald (Ginny) Johnson of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; step-grandson, Rodger Johnson of Okanogan, Wash.; and five step great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary Bank and Rose Coonka; and step grandson, Alvin Johnson.

Visitation was 12-2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique. Funeral services followed at 2 p.m. with Father Glenn Theoret officiating. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique.

Online condolences can be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Marceline M. Leggett

Marceline M. Leggett, age 74, of Manistique, Mich., died unexpectedly at her residence.

She was born Jan. 20, 1932, in Manistique, the daughter of the late Robert and Virginia (LaBelle) Foye. She attended Manistique area schools and was a homemaker.

On Feb. 27, 1954, the former Marceline M. Foye married Wallace B. Leggett, Jr. in Manistique. He preceded her in death on Feb. 23, 2003.

Marceline is survived by her cousins. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her brother, Jack Foye.

There will be no services at this time. Burial will be held in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

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Arvo J. Kettula

Arvo J. Kettula, 88, of Manistique, Mich., died Sunday, Feb. 11, 2007, at this home.

He was born Dec. 27, 1918, in Crystal Falls, Mich., the son of the late Matt and Matilda (Kankana) Kettula and attended the McMillan High School.

On Feb. 18, 1956, he married the former Valdis B. Wahlstrom in Iron Mountain, Mich. They lived in Iron Mountain for many years and moved to Manistique in 1970. She preceded him in death on Oct. 19, 1990.

Arvo was employed as a woods worker, a miner at the Bristol Mine in Crystal Falls and later, on the railroad at the Inland Lime and Stone Company in Gulliver.

He was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church in Manistique.

Arvo enjoyed the time he spent with his family, being in the outdoors, building things with his hands, and playing with and caring for his dogs, Max and Bailey. In his younger years, he enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Survivors include: three daughters, Janet (Paul) Johnson of Virginia, Minn., Wanda Nowak of Manistique and Amy Kettula of Manistique; son, Roy (Bonnie) Kettula of Wichita Falls, Texas; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one great-grandchild (to be born this year); along with several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by his son, John; brother, Martin Kettula; and four sisters, Martha Mason, Aili Heikkinen, Impi Matson and Bertha Davis.

Visitation was 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique and also 10-11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, at Bethel Baptist Church in Manistique.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the Bethel Baptist Church in Manistique with Pastor Joseph Crowder officiating.

Burial will be held Thursday, Feb. 15, at Cemetery Park in Iron Mountain, Mich.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Grace E. Ansell

Grace Evelyn Ansell, 77, of Manistique, Mich., died Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2007, in Clinton Township, Mich.

She was born Jan. 22, 1930 in Detroit, Mich. Grace worked as a secretary for National Filing Corp. She enjoyed flower gardening and bird watching.

Survivors include: her son, Allen (Sandra) Ansell of Wales, Mich.; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two brothers, Ron Warrick and Paul Warrick; and two sisters, Lorraine Riggsbee and Audrey Hollyfield.

In addition to her husband, Allen John Ansell in 1996, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Christine Beasley in 2006.

Visitation will be held Friday, Feb. 16 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Resurrection Funeral Home in Clinton Township. Funeral services will follow with Pastor Bob Johnson officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Stop in on "FAT Tuesday" and get a FREE cup of coffee from our NEW "Single Brewing Machine" the mastard seed 237 S. Cedar St. Manistique 341-5828

Eva R. Tuomikoski

Eva R. Tuomikoski, 86, of Manistique, Mich., died Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2007, at Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility in Manistique.

She was born May 17 1920 in Enterprise, W. Va., the daughter of Roe and Ida (Rafferty) Burroughs. She graduated from high school and nursing school in Shinnston, W. Va. and was active in the Future Nurses of America.

On June 2, 1942, she married Wilho Tuomikoski in Framingham, Mass. They moved to the Manistique area in 1998 from Cocoa, Fla. He preceded her in death on July 14, 2004.

Eva was employed as a registered nurse at various hospitals and nursing homes in Michigan and Florida. She enjoyed gardening, earning, reading and traveling, but her main interest was her family, especially her grandchildren. She loved babies and loved working the O.B. wards where she would rock the new born babies. After retiring, she volunteered at day care centers so she could continue to care for babies.

Survivors include: her son, James David (Diane) Tuomikoski of Freeport, Mich.; daughter, Sally (Ted) Gerometta of Manistique; six grandchildren and two step-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and two step great-grandchildren; and sister-in-law, Mary Tuomikoski of Wixom, Mich.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Gary; and four sisters.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family. Entombment will be in the Gardens of Rest Memorial Park in Wells, Mich.

Memorials may be directed to the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility, 520 Main Street, Manistique, MI 49854 or the St. Francis de Sales Education Fund, 210 Lake Street, Manistique, MI 49854

Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Workshop to focus on future of agriculture

Michigan State University Extension, with support from many Upper Peninsula organizations and businesses, will hold an "Agriculture for Tomorrow" conference next month. The event is slated to be held March 16 in Escanaba.

The conference will have 16 sessions that look at the future of agriculture. It is intended for owners of large and small farms, experienced crop and livestock producers, those just getting started in the business, and anyone interested in producing or saving energy.

One of the sessions will look at how some producers are saving money by using a corn stove, geothermal heating, or even crushing their own oil and using it to run a generator to pump water.

Other topics will include selling on the Web, the how-to of fee hunting, how to price direct market products, is there a place for 2,000 cow dairy farms in the U.P., and moving to organic crop production.

For more information about the conference, call (906) 228-4830.

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Manistique High School Quiz Bowl competition and practice teams. Front row, from left: Mike Klagstad, Captain Scott Nagy, Abby Wilson, Lisa Selling, Rory McDougall. Back row: Deryk Reque, Nick Pomeroy, Colton Walters, Craig Neeson, Luke Mooi, Anders Broulliere, Jon Studinger, Zach Weber. Not pictured: Coach Jackie Burns. (Submitted photo)

High School Bowl team's latest win on TV Saturday

Local residents will be able to catch the Manistique High School Bowl team in action this weekend on WNMU, Public TV 13. The team's victorious third-round match against Wakefield will air on the channel Saturday, Feb. 17, at 8:30 p.m., with a re-broadcast slated for Monday, Feb. 19, at noon. The match, which took place in January, was the MHS squad's latest overwhelming win in the academic knowledge competition: a 315-80 decision over the Wakefield quiz bowl.

Area students make MTU dean's list

Michigan Technological University has announced the names of students who made the dean's list for the fall semester. Four students from the local area were on the list, which required them to earn grade point averages of 3.5 or above. Making the list with a 4.0 average was Brett Fox of Cooks, a senior majoring in mathematics. Earning spots on the list with grade point averages of 3.5 to 3.99 were Kenneth Borne on dean's list, a senior majoring in business administration, and Donna Lyns of Manistique, a senior majoring in civil engineering.

Three earn Michigan Tech degrees

Three students from the local area received their degrees from Michigan Technological University during midyear commencement ceremonies held on Dec. 16. Andrew D. Bruce of Gulliver earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. Tara S. Demers of Gulliver earned a bachelor's degree in clinical laboratory science. Trevor J. Demers of Manistique graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in surveying engineering.

Workshops set at MCF

A workshop on "Alzheimer's disease and understanding behaviors" will be offered twice on Tuesday, Feb. 20. The first session will be from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., the second from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The workshops will take place in the staff education room of the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility, 520 Main St., in Manistique. The presenter will be Darlene T. Allen, program coordinator for The Upper Peninsula regional office of the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Michigan Chapter. Topics will include Alzheimer's disease and how it affects the brain, why behaviors occur with a diagnosis of Alzheimer's or related dementia, preventing need-driven behaviors, and the physical, environmental and task-related causes of behavior difficulties.

Board reschedules

The monthly board meetings for Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital and the Woodland Meadows assisted living center have been moved several days earlier. Instead of the usual schedule, which would have had the meetings on Feb. 26, the combined sessions will instead take place on Friday, Feb. 23. The meetings will take place at 10 a.m., in the board room at Hiawatha Behavioral Health, 125 N. Lake St., in Manistique.

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No business like Joe's business

Cols A. Corcoran
(Send your comments to corks@dnet.us.)

I'm glad I don't live in Chicago. Plans are underway to vastly increase its surveillance network. If there's anything we honest Americans don't need, it's more security cameras. Even small towns like mine have been invaded. A person can't scratch an itch these days without staring on celluloid. Surveillance equipment lurks just about everywhere now. No doubt the final frontier will be confessionals. I liked the good old days when you could dash to the store on a bad hair day and only the cashier and a few hapless customers witnessed it. Now the spectacle is caught on film all the time. Not everyone feels the way I do, however. Some people ignore the covert but ever vigilant wiretappers. And my son, Kelly, makes a game of seeking them out. When he spots them, he breaks into Stand-up Comedy Mode and hams it up in front of the lens. But I do not share his fondness for "Big Brother." Introduced by Orwell's novel, "1984," that term is politically incorrect in this day and age. Now we'd have to call it Big Brother/Big Sister. Or maybe Big Person.

Whatever its title, though, it still keeps tabs on your Average Joe. It seems there's no business like Joe's business. But while I hate appearing in surveillance videos, I would find monitoring them downright amusing. Imagine having that in your job description. ("Watch camera footage for shoplifters and see the general public make a general idiot of itself.") You could catch the gestures people make when they think no one sees them. And people squabbling with relatives, friends and total strangers, for that matter. With entertainment

Bjorne on dean's list

Tara Borne of Manistique was named to the fall term dean's list at Alma College. Bjorne, a senior at Alma, is the daughter of Ralph and Susan Borne and a graduate of Manistique High School. To make the dean's list, Alma students must maintain grade point averages of 3.5 or higher while carrying a minimum of 13 credits, at least eight of which are evaluative grades.

La Leche meeting set

All pregnant and nursing mothers are welcome to attend the next meeting of the Manistique Area La Leche League, which is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 21. Members should bring a snack to share. For more information and directions to the meeting, call Tami at 341-0204.

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For the second year in a row, Laura Kayser of Manistique has received a full tuition and books scholarship from Central Savings Bank of Sault Ste. Marie. The scholarship program both honors and assists students who are majoring in finance and economics, have a grade point average of at least 3.0, and an interest in seeking full time employment in banking in the eastern Upper Peninsula. Kayser will be a senior at Lake Superior State University next year. She will continue studying at LSSU over the summer and hopes to join the "Central Savings Bank family" at the same time. A 2004 graduate of Manistique High School, she is the daughter of Gary and Cindy Kayser. Above: Kayser receives her scholarship from Mark Savola, senior vice president of the bank and a 1992 scholarship recipient (left), and Ron Meister, bank president. (Submitted photo)

Circuit Court

Timothy Ross-Harry Frank, 36, of Seney, plead guilty in 11th Judicial Circuit Court to weapons/firearms/possession by a felon (4/06). He was sentenced to 150 days in the Schoolcraft County Jail. Ninety days are to be served with credit for one day applied. He was assessed \$60 state costs, \$60 crime victim restitution, \$500 costs, \$500 attorney fees, \$1,120 total. David James Howse, 32, of Manistique, plead guilty in 11th Judicial Circuit Court to prisoner in possession of contraband (11/06). Howse was also charged as a habitual offender. He was sentenced to serve 1-7 years with the Michigan Department of Corrections. He was assessed \$60 state costs and \$60 crime victim restitution for a total of \$120. LaVance also plead guilty to an assault with weapon charge from October of 2006. He will serve a prison sentence of six months to four years concurrently with the previous charges. He will receive credit for 162 days served. He was assessed \$60 state costs and \$60 crime victim restitution. James A. Reno, 32, of Manistique, plead guilty in 11th Judicial Circuit Court to prisoner in possession of contraband (11/06). Reno was also charged as a habitual offender. He was sentenced to serve 1-7 years with the Michigan Department of Corrections. He was assessed \$60 state costs and \$60 crime victim restitution for a total of \$120. LaVance also plead guilty to an assault with weapon charge from October of 2006. He will serve a prison sentence of six months to four years concurrently with the previous charges. He will receive credit for 162 days served. He was assessed \$60 state costs and \$60 crime victim restitution. James A. Reno, 32, of Manistique, plead guilty in 11th Judicial Circuit Court to prisoner in possession of contraband (11/06). Reno was also charged as a habitual offender. He was sentenced to serve 1-7 years with the Michigan Department of Corrections. He was assessed \$60 state costs and \$60 crime victim restitution for a total of \$120.

Auxiliary chief visits state

The national president of the of the American Legion Auxiliary is visiting Michigan this week. JoAnn Cronin of Imperial, Mo., is the guest of Michigan Auxiliary members, who are led by Ruth Gott of Lake City. Gott and her staff arranged a busy two days for Cronin, who arrived Wednesday. The schedule included a reception with state lawmakers, a visit to the VFW National Home and Children in Eaton Rapids and discussions with Auxiliary members to learn what special projects they are working on.

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I have been asked where I find time to volunteer. I honestly feel if you really have your heart into something, you find the time.

Although I work mostly with the elderly I also am involved in the Kiwanis, which is known to work mostly with and for the younger generation.

283-3224. One quick reminder, our Annual Hotdog Roast is here. Tonight we will be grilling hot char-roasted jumbo hotdogs served by our very own volunteer chefs.

Activities will start at 1 p.m. for those that might be interested. Cards, bingo or other board games can be played. Dinner will be served at approximately 5 p.m.

And of course it is tax time. This past Monday, homestead property tax, rental and heating credits were prepared for those residing at the Heritage House.

On Thursday, Feb. 22 volunteer Art Herriman and I will be traveling to Germantown to do forms and on Friday, Feb. 23 we both will be seen at the Harbor View Towers preparing forms.

We ask that you make sure you have all the information necessary, so we don't have to fill your forms out more than once. Information needed includes: (1) Social Security number(s); (2) 2005 return, if available; (3) All income, including social security, SSI, pensions, dividends and bank interest; (4) Taxes paid on your home or rent paid (if rent, need name and address of landlord); (5) Medical insurance premiums, other than Medicare (Cannot include life insurance); (6) Heating costs between Nov. 1, 2005 and Oct. 31, 2006 (7) Copy of 1099 or a social security check and if

you received financial assistance, a statement from Schoolcraft County Dept. of Human Services (Form SA1099) is needed (8) Telephone number where we can reach you if we have any questions. Call the Center at 341-5923 for further information.

While talking about taxes, I have to share with you an article that was given to me.

Here goes: What happened? Tax his land, tax his feed, and tax the table at which he's fed.

Tax his tractor, tax his mule, and teach him taxes are the rule. Tax his cow, tax his goat, tax his pans, and tax his coat. Tax his ties, tax his shirt, tax his work, and tax his drink. Tax his tobacco, tax his drink, and tax him if he tries to think.

Tax his cigars; tax his beers, if he cries then tax his tears. Tax his car, tax his gas, and find other ways to tax his ***. Tax all he won't let him know that he hasn't be done till he has no dough.

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By Connie Frenette

makes a person wonder! One quick reminder, the Center offices will be closed on Monday, Feb. 19 in observance of President's Day.

Where will I be? I will be spending the day in Marquette with my daughter Stephanie as she takes her RN State boards.

Say a prayer for her. The kitchen will be open for congregate and home-delivered meals.

Memorial monetary donation has been received at the Center in memory of:

- Hank Swanson and Gerald Turek from Charlotte Kendall
Myrtle McKenzie from Leonard and Mary LaFleur
Elsie Burns from Edna Jahn
Gerald Turek from Miles and Christine Behrend
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Quick and Easy

Believe it or not, spring is right around the corner. And with the warm weather comes the chance to get outdoors and make the most of opportunities to visit and socialize.

It's likely then, that you'll need to have a few easy recipes on hand that can be whipped up in a snap, whether to entertain guests at some or to bring along when you visit someone else's house.

Cupcakes have long been favorites for children's birthdays and other occasions, but these portable delights can also be ideal when visiting this season. Cupcakes can be filled with all types of ingredients, not necessarily just your favorite box-cake batter. For example, whip up bite-sized, rich and creamy cheesecakes with this recipe using wafer cookies as a simple "crust."

CHEESECAKE CUPCAKES

- 1 lb cream cheese, softened
2 large eggs
1 tsp vanilla extract
1/2 cup granulated sugar
12 vanilla wafer cookies (such as Nilla Wafers)
Fruit topping of your choice

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line regular-sized muffin tins with foil or paper cupcake liners. Place a wafer cookie in the bottom of each liner.

In a bowl, beat cream cheese, eggs, sugar and vanilla until smooth. Pour mix on top of cookies, filling each cupcake 3/4 full. Bake cupcakes at 350 degrees for 15 minutes. Remove from oven and let cool individually on a wire rack.

Top with fruit topping and refrigerate before serving. Enjoy.



Manistique Women's Club members paid a visit last week to Mackinaw Trail Winery to discuss plans for their Feb. 24 wine-tasting event.

Club finalizing wine-tasting plans

The finishing touches are being put into place for Wine Tasting on the Upper Level, the newest project of the GFWC Manistique Women's Club, which is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 24, from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Elks Lodge on Walnut Street.

A variety of local businesses, past artists and crafters from around the Upper Peninsula, will be participating in the event, which is a fundraiser for the new community welcome and information sign that local officials hope to install soon at the corner of US-2, Maple Street and Arbutus Avenue.

Members of the Women's Club organizing committee paid a visit last week to Mackinaw Trail Winery on Manistique's waterfront, where owner Ralph Stable reviewed the wines he would be bringing to next week's event.

Stable expects to have five new wines to unveil for sampling, and promises something to satisfy the palate of every enthusiast. He said the roster will feature a mix of white wines, among them a new Riesling, and red, including Mackinaw Trail's signature Big Red, a semi-dry blend.

The day will also feature an array of cheese, breads and crackers courtesy of Jack's SuperValu. Merchants, service providers and crafters exhibiting at the event include Suzy's Shadow Box, Wells Fargo, State Savings Bank, the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Club, Pampered Chef, Design on a Tee, the Hiawatha Shrine Club with their Rada knives, Dawn Kieffer with silk flowers; Vee Scudder, Art & Décor of Menominee; Marquette crafters Sharon Babbit, Doug Wolfe

and Susie Wolfe, Marty and Wayne Groleau, and the Women's Club itself with their Terri Lynn Nuts. Drawings will be held for various prizes, including a four fireplace built by Joel Krause, a wine basket donated by the Women's Club, two gift certificates from Mackinaw Trail and more.

Some of the prizes are on display now at Chuck Renze Ford on South Cedar Street. Admission to the event is \$12 per person, \$20 per couple. Tickets should be purchased in advance at Mackinaw Trail, Suzy's Shadow Box, the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce office on US-2, or by calling Sherril Krause at 341-6701. In Garden, contact Rosemary Stollings at 644-6017.

For more information on the event, contact Krause at the number listed above.

Next 'Link' meeting to be teleconferenced to Schoolcraft Memorial

The Link, the heart disease and diabetes support group sponsored by the Heart Institute and diabetes education program at Marquette General Hospital, will hold its next meeting Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 3 p.m.

The session will take place in Conference Room 1 at MGH and will be teleconferenced to locations around the Upper Peninsula.

Area residents can participate in the teleconference at the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital. The meeting will include a program by Dr. Gregory Jones on making positive lifestyle changes.

The Link meets monthly. Upcoming teleconferenced sessions will be April 24, June 26, Aug. 28 and Oct. 23, all at 3 p.m.

For more information, contact Cory Crenk at 341-3276.

Next mobile pantry scheduled for Feb. 21

The next mobile food pantry for senior citizens will take place Wednesday, Feb. 21, at the Manistique Senior Citizens Center. The distribution will begin around 1 or 1:30 p.m., depending on truck arrival.

To participate, you must be a Schoolcraft County resident 60 or older who needs assistance in making ends meet. An information form must be filled out for each participating household. Bring your form

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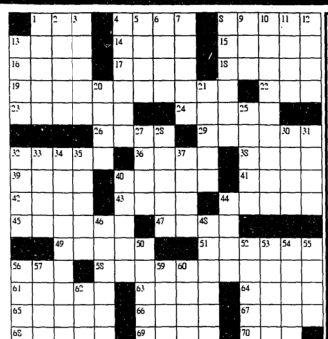
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Advertisement for Restaurant Directory, listing dining options in the Manistique Area, including Teddy's Pub & Bistro and The Upper Crust.

Advertisement for Manistique Senior Citizens Center, listing services like mobile pantry, social activities, and contact information at 341-5923.

Advertisement for the Manistique Area Church Directory, listing various churches and their services, including St. John's Baptist, St. Francis de Sales Catholic, and others.

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Approximately 110 people attended last Saturday's second annual Father-Daughter Valentine Dinner Dance at the First Baptist Church community room. The dance, sponsored by the Manistique Area Kiwanis Club, was both a social event and a fund-raiser for this summer's week-long residency by the Missoula Children's Theatre, which will cast on Saturday from the farthest distance was Dan Moloney, who flew in for the second straight year to take his 6-year-old daughter, Regina, to the dance. A government contractor who served in the Army, Moloney arrived from Arizona last year, Florida this year. Top right: Steve Strasser dancing with his daughter, Kayla. Middle: Sally Simmons, Sandy LaFave and Patti Holohik attended with their 92-year-old father, Addie Boyd. Also on hand was Patti's son, Jim Holohik, and his daughter, Mindy (bottom left), making four generations of the same family at the dance. Bottom right: Ashley Vaughn, Kendra Bloom and Casey Vaughn lead "The Locomotion." (Submitted photos)

Summit
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In Missouri and Arkansas, for instance, citizens support conservation and natural resources with a small portion (one-eighth of one percent) of the sales tax. Wildlife agencies in Virginia and Texas receive tax revenues from outdoor gear purchased in those states, and agencies in Colorado, Arizona and Maine receive a small portion of their state's lottery revenues.

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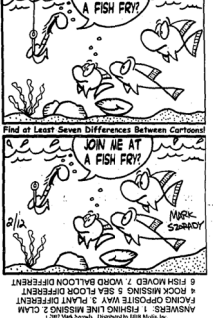
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Find at Least Seven Differences Between Cartoons



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HOROSCOPES Feb. 19 - Feb. 25 Your Horoscope by Charles Cooper

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your male is not good is, you'll be pleased. This week, both you and your partner are up to the job. Tap into your inner strength. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You have some mixed signals. Stop trying to control everything. This week, you'll feel a sense of powerlessness. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) A friend surprise you. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Something that you want to run this week. **GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You're not pre-occupied with your own thoughts, you're not listening to what's being said. **CANCER** (June 21 to July 23) Something that's happening at home could trip you up this week. **LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) It's not a good week for you when socializing is your specialty. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) You find you just can't go it alone this week. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) It's time to be diligent at work. **TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You're somewhat restless. **GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You're not pre-occupied with your own thoughts, you're not listening to what's being said. **CANCER** (June 21 to July 23) Something that's happening at home could trip you up this week. **LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) It's not a good week for you when socializing is your specialty. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) You find you just can't go it alone this week. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) It's time to be diligent at work.

ROARING TWENTIES

In the grid below, twenty words can be found that fit the category for today. Circle each word that you find and list in the space provided at the right of the grid. Words can be found in all directions—forward, backward, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find today's 20 words?

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Next prayer meeting set

The next interdenominational prayer meeting will be held Monday, Feb. 19, from 7 to 8 p.m., at the Harborview Towers apartments, located next to Subway on US-2 in Manistique. The meetings are held the third Monday of every month. For more information, call Bob or Ellen Flynn at 341-8412, Doug or Heidi Troyer at 341-2965, or the leader of your congregation.

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Reading OTC Labels

When shopping for food in the supermarket, do you take the time to read Nutrition Facts food labels? If so, good for you. Read on. There's another type of label that also deserves your attention. It's called Drug Facts, and it shows up on over-the-counter (OTC) medications. It communicates information that is especially critical since you can buy OTC medications without a prescription or ever seeing a doctor. If you take care to read drug labels, you can help prevent many problems, including drug interactions. It's even more important to read labels if you have a special health problem or eat a special diet. For example, if you have high blood pressure or diabetes, your doctor will likely advise you not to take decongestants. Or if you're on a salt-free diet, you need to know how to identify drugs that contain sodium bicarbonate, which is found in medications such as antacids. Reading labels also can help you from overdosing, which is especially harmful for children, seniors, or people with liver or kidney problems. A common mistake people make is to take a variety of cold and flu medications for different symptoms.

What you may not realize is that many of these products include some of the same ingredients, such as aspirin or acetaminophen. If you don't read labels, you might take a dose that's not safe. You could end up feeling worse than if you had gone untreated. Fortunately, OTC medication labels are easier to read than in the past. Beginning in the spring of 2002, new standardized labels were required on more than 100,000 OTC drugs. The new labels contain larger type and other changes to enhance their readability. In addition, the labels use less technical language and have a more consistent design and organization, with eye-catching elements. Look for the following information on the Drug Facts label:

- **Active ingredients.** This might help you identify any ingredients that you're allergic or sensitive to.
- **Purpose.** Is the medication a cough suppressant? A decongestant?
- **Uses.** Which symptoms or conditions does this drug treat?
- **Warnings.** Here you'll learn about possible side effects or interactions with other medications or substances. You'll find out when the medication is not recommended and which symptoms should prompt a call to the doctor.
- **Directions.** How much should you take? How often? Should you take the medication with food?
- **Other information.** This category includes information such as how to store the medication safely.
- **Inactive ingredients.** This includes ingredients such as colors or flavors that don't affect how the drug works.

Be sure to read labels each time you buy a medication, even if you've used it before. Manufacturers may make changes to their products, so watch for banners alerting you to these changes. Remember, labels do not, by themselves, tell you if you are safe to take a medication, even if you've used it before. Manufacturers may make changes to their products, so watch for banners alerting you to these changes. Remember, labels do not, by themselves, tell you if you are safe to take a medication, even if you've used it before. Manufacturers may make changes to their products, so watch for banners alerting you to these changes. Remember, labels do not, by themselves, tell you if you are safe to take a medication, even if you've used it before.

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City Council

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proper information to get this through," she stated. "I'm tired of looking like an idiot up here."

Council also discussed whether to approve the sale in its basic form or add stipulations - for example, requiring that Wood clean-up environmental contamination at the site within a certain amount of time.

Filoramo told council that they could add those or any other conditions now, before the sale was approved. Afterwards, extra provisions could not be added to the agreement.

City Manager Sheila Aldrich reminded council that Wood was already aware of the remediation issues, including legal requirements that he complete Phase I and Phase II environmental studies, develop a baseline environmental assessment report and clean up the property before being allowed to build.

She said the Department of Environmental Quality would mandate that the work take place, and that Wood himself had referred to the clean-up process in his purchase bid.

Eventually, council approved a motion to sell the property, and to allow Wood time to meet DEQ and brown-field act requirements before finalizing the sale.

The motion passed 4-1, with Peterson, Rantanan, Jan Jeffcott and Tim Noble in favor, Dan Evonich opposed.

The matter will be on the agenda again for final approval at council's Feb. 26 session.

Council also held a brief executive session, then reconvened and approved an agreement to recalculate 1999 and 2000 property taxes paid by Edison Sault Electric Company using lower tax-rate multipliers.

Aldrich said the result of the agreement will be a refund of approximately \$6,900 in taxes paid by Edison for the two years in question.

The arrangement is similar to one approved for Semco Energy in 2005, and according to Filoramo, it stems from the same case.

He said it involves a 2001 change that lowered the multipliers used to calculate personal property tax rates for electric and gas utilities in Michigan.

The utilities maintained their taxes were too high and sought a new formula from the Michigan Tax Tribunal. When that request was granted, over the strenuous objections of local governments and their lobbying groups, the tribunal also opened the door for utilities to go back and apply the new lower multiplier to prior tax years. In effect, that entitled the companies to be reimbursed for taxes "overpaid" under the old formula.

Filoramo said the agreement with Edison is the final step in the process and that the long-running case is now closed. "We've been waiting for this



City Council Monday unanimously endorsed a new community marketing project being carried out in cooperation with the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce, Manistique Area Tourism Council and EDC. The packets, presented by City Manager Sheila Aldrich, include brochures and pamphlets developed by the various groups, a promotional DVD created several years ago by the EDC, and a brand new brochure created for the city by Mike Hoar of Sinetech Network Services. The overall approach is to promote the area as a place with safe streets, accessible and affordable waterfront, and local governments willing to work with new businesses. Aldrich said they will distribute the packets in Michigan and Wisconsin, utilizing the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, Michigan Works and other avenues. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

Wednesday, March 14. The following day, the Upper Peninsula Economic Development Alliance will meet at the Elks Lodge; he heard a report from Public Safety Director Ken Golas, who said they had recently received \$7,870 in "two percent funds" from the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. Golas said \$2,500 of the total will be used to match a federal grant for police officer body armor. The balance will go into a fund to replace the city's 1978 firetrailer van and purchase equipment to convert a pickup truck into a brush fire-fighting unit. Golas said they have submitted a pre-application to USDA Rural Development for the remainder of the needed funds;

learned from Aldrich that the city had received a payment of \$7,500 from the Sault Tribe - part of the \$75,000 requested to bring the Little Bear West Arena kitchen up to commercial standards; Aldrich said the tribe sent the money despite the fact that they have not finalized a new agreement for tribal usage of the arena;

heard Aldrich pass along a message of thanks from local business manager Dennis Rummell for the efforts of the city, recreation board, Hockey Association and others in sponsoring last weekend's pee-wee hockey tournament. According to Aldrich, Rummell said the tournament was a major boost for area businesses and that the arena is "worth its weight in gold."

approved the annual resolution declaring April as CBC Month in Manistique.

Housing specialist to visit

Melissa Henry of USDA Rural Development will visit Manistique Wednesday, Feb. 28. She will be at the Schoolcraft County Economic Development Corporation in the courthouse to

pre-qualify applicants for mortgage programs. Qualified applicants can also receive low-interest loans for home repairs. For an appointment, call 341-5126.

Candidates

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McKinney, who just started his new job a week ago, said he did not notice the mistake when Burns' daughter filed the petition Tuesday.

When he discovered the error around 3:30 p.m., he immediately called Dishnow, and was told that Burns' petition was invalid.

McKinney said everyone who picks up petitions is given a sheet explaining the various requirements, including the type of petition needed and the number of signatures that must be obtained.

He showed media representatives a copy of that information, which included details of running as a partisan candidate, running with no party affiliation, and running in the non-partisan school board races that take place on May 8.

In the section for "No Party Affiliation" it states that a candidate must file a "qualifying petition" with no less than three and no more than 10 signatures.

Burns said Tuesday that he didn't know about the different types of petitions and that no one had explained the choices to him. All he did, he said, was take the petition that was given him by clerk's office employees.

He said he sent the completed paperwork back in with his daughter around 3 p.m. Tuesday, along with instructions to have the office look everything over and check for any problems. When none were reported, he assumed everything was fine - until he got a phone call from McKinney shortly before the 4 p.m. filing deadline.

McKinney said he went over a number of options with the election bureau, including such things as having Burns file an amended petition, but was told that was not legal, and could open up the possibility of challenges from Lauzon, the other candidate in the race.

It appeared that Burns had only two choices: appeal the decision in Circuit Court or run as a write-in candidate.

That all changed on Wednesday afternoon, when McKinney announced that the election would not be held in May, as originally believed, but would instead be moving to August.

That meant Burns would have time to file a qualifying petition after all, should he still choose to do so, since the filing deadline for candidates without a party affiliation is 90 days before election day.

McKinney said he had just learned about the date change when he called the bureau.

Downstate man killed in Seney snowmobile crash

A 46-year-old man from downstate Otter Lake was killed in a snowmobile accident in Schoolcraft County's Seney Township Monday evening.

According to Michigan State Police troopers from the Newberry post, the accident hap-

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pened around 7 p.m. Timothy Dean Pierson was driving north on Trail 431, three miles north of M-28, when he lost control of his machine and struck a tree. Pierson was pronounced dead at the scene.

Troopers believe alcohol was a factor in the crash.

from the Bureau of Elections. Apparently, when the election was first scheduled, the May 8 date was slated for a primary, which would have been necessary had more than one candidate from either political party stepped forward to run for one of the board seats.

In that scenario, the May balloting would have selected the top vote-getter from each party, who would then move on to run again in August.

Although Tuesday's filings showed that a partisan runoff would not be necessary, the Bureau of Elections said the original schedule would still have to be followed. In other words, the county could not move the general election earlier. They would have to hold it Aug. 7.

Interestingly, McKinney said that it is done to protect the rights of non-partisan candidates like Burns, who would normally not file to run in a partisan primary but still had a right to file for a general election scheduled later.

Aside from the election date change, there were no confusing issues in District 4, where Democratic newcomer Gerald Zellar of Manistique was the only candidate to file a petition.

Assuming he wins office on Aug. 7, he will be the first elected commissioner in that district in more than a year.

The vacancy was originally created last spring, when District 4 commissioner Scott Charter resigned. Barber was appointed to serve until Dec. 31, at which time a newly-elected commissioner was supposed to take office.

Susan Phillips won the seat in last fall's general election, but did not take office as scheduled on Jan. 1. She postponed her oath, and later resigned altogether, after it was learned that she had also violated the Hatch Act, which prohibits engaging in partisan political activities, including running for office, if all or part of your job is funded with federal dollars.

Barber, whose temporary appointment was continued until the seat is finally filled by election, had explored the possibility of running herself, but announced recently that she would not do so.

The issue, once again, was the Hatch Act.

To run for the County Board, Barber said, she would have to leave her position with the federally-funded Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft Community Action Agency, something she was unable to do.



Despite the frigid weather the past few weeks, work has been continuing at the new house being built by Habitat for Humanity HiawathaLand at Fifth and Badger streets in Manistique. Delta-Schoolcraft ISD building trades students have been installing insulation and recently began hanging drywall. While the house looks similar to other Habitat homes, this project is a different, as the building will be completely wheelchair accessible. Outside ramps will allow safe access. Inside, the bathroom will have both a regular bath/shower and a wheelchair-accessible shower. Also, thermostats and cupboards will be placed lower for easier access and use. (Submitted photo)

Budworm treatment comments sought

The Hiawatha National Forest has opened a public comment period for its 2007 jack pine budworm project. Officials with the USDA Forest Service say comments will be most useful if received by Wednesday, March 7.

As previously reported, jack pine budworm has been tracked on the west side of the Hiawatha for the third consecutive year. According to the most recent survey results, many jack pine stands have been completely defoliated and have suffered "top-kill."

Forest officials have identified focus areas to reduce the fire hazard resulting from infestation.

In the Munising Ranger District, the areas include national forest land west of Bunting and Paquette lakes near the Rapid River Truck Trail, as well as some smaller areas across the district, for a total of 1,614 acres.

In the Rapid River-Manistique Ranger District, the area consists of approximately 74 acres south of Stubben near the Eight-Mile Cut-Across Road.

Officials say there is a need to harvest the older infested jack pine before they develop into volatile fuels, and to "convert" longer-lived conifers to reduce future fuel hazards.

Most of the proposed treatment areas have road access. Reconstruction on approximately 19 miles of road would be the minimum necessary to accommodate timber-hauling traffic and to repair or prevent resource damage.

New construction of approximately 2.5 miles will include temporary road segments, back-in landings and turnarounds.

Proposal details and maps are available at www.fs.fed.us/9/hiawatha/planning.htm.

Public comments will be used to identify relevant issues, display environmental effects or develop a range of reasonable alternatives to the proposed actions.

Written comments must be submitted no object if you want to be eligible to object in the future.

Those who reference scientific literature in their comments should send a copy of the entire reference and information on how it is pertinent to the jack pine project.

Comments should be mailed or hand-delivered to: Becky Cain, Jack Pine Budworm 2007 Project, 400 East Munising Ave., Munising, MI 49862.

Public comments can be sent to Cain at (906) 387-2070.

Comments can be sent by e-mail to: comments-eastern-hiawatha-munising@fs.fed.us. Put "Comments on Jack Pine Budworm 2007" in the subject line.

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JV prevails



Five Emeralds earned medals at last weekend's Mid-Peninsula Conference wrestling tournament in Gwin. From left: Conference champ Bill Wood, runners-up Mike Jenerou, Sammy Jenerou, Ken Cummings and Pat McDonald. (Submitted photo)

Wood takes crown, five medal at Mid-Pen meet

Manistique High School senior Bill Wood won his second consecutive Mid-Peninsula Conference wrestling championship with a victory at last Saturday's conference meet in Gwin.

Wood, who pinned Iron Mountain's Nick Wollum in 1:28 to win the heavyweight title, was one of five Emeralds to medal at the event.

Also making it into the championship matches and bringing home runner-up hardware were Sammy Jenerou, Ken Cummings, Mike Jenerou and Pat McDonald.

"Things sure have changed in just six short years," said coach Everett Wood. "Six years ago, we were excited to get two wrestlers into the medal round. This year we were disappointed that only one out of five won a title."

McDonald started things out in the medal round, taking on Erich Smith of Ishpeming at 189 pounds. Despite coming out with a hard attack,

McDonald was pinned at the 3:16 mark.

Sammy Jenerou found herself waiting all day to wrestle one match.

"That's hard to do and keep up a mental edge," coach Wood said.

She finally found herself facing Luke Benbow of Iron Mountain, who has wrestled at 112 pounds all year but made it down to 103 pounds for the tournament.

Jenerou battled hard but came up on the short end of a 9-4 decision.

At 119 pounds, Cummings took on Nick Schiavo of Iron Mountain for the fifth time this season. Cummings had won the pair's first two bouts, Schiavo the second two.

Coach Wood said their final match was a good one, but had its share of controversy.

"The scorekeeper lost track of the scoring, and there were a few calls that could have gone either way," he said.

When the dust had settled in

Despite a lackluster second half, the Emerald junior varsity still put another checkmark in the win column Friday night.

Up 35-9 after two periods against the Munising Mustangs, Manistique played to the level of their competition, scoring just 11 points in the third and fourth quarters, but still posted a 46-28 Mid-Peninsula Conference victory.

Up by nine at the end of the opening stanza, the Emeralds held the Mustangs to just two while dropping 19 points of their own in the second.

A pair of treys by Garde Kangas in both quarters set the tone for the Emerald offensive



Above, JV player Kyle Edwards shoots for two during Friday night's game at Munising. Below, Corey Gonyea drives to the basket for two of his 17-points against the Mustangs during varsity action. (Photos courtesy of Jay Martin)



Varsity pounds the Mustangs

Weeks of frustration for the Manistique Emeralds varsity spilled onto the court in Munising Friday. Struggling to put points on the board over a number of games, the Emeralds came out and hit 57 percent of their shot attempts to capture a 63-43 Mid-Peninsula Conference win over the Mustangs.

Corey Gonyea set a season high 17 points to lead the Emeralds in the win. Gonyea hit the first of three from behind the arc in the opening minutes and set the pace for a 13-7

total with the Mustangs to post the 20-point victory.

Manistique was 28 of 49 from the floor, four of nine from the line.

Mickelson added 10 points to the Emerald total, Cody Kangas nine, Brandon Lawrence seven, Terry Martin and Jared Martin six points each, Scott Giles four, Joe LeDuc and Karl Kemper two points a piece.

With the win, the Emeralds improved to 6-11, 3-9 M-PC.

The Mustangs fell to 1-15 overall, 0-12 in the league.



Members of the 2006-07 swim team were Kelly Aldrich, Katie Birdsley, Hannah Boudreau, Spencer Burns, Scott Clark, Zach Haley, Jamie Helmus, Vanessa Jenerou, Christine Kemper, Kyle Loup, Luke Mooi, Jessica Neddow, Emily Nord, Sean Pfister, Danielle Reid, Abbielle Smith, Joel Smith, Alyssa Strasser, Derek Tuttle, Kim Vallier, team manager Megan Naylor and Coach Lindsey Yates. (Photo courtesy of Fortriats Plus)

Boys' swim team claims Mid-Pen Conference title

For the first time in four years, the Manistique High School boys' swimming team has been crowned Mid-Peninsula Conference Champions.

The boys' squad topped the field at the annual conference meet, held Feb. 7 at Westwood. It was their first Mid-Pen trophy since the 2002-2003 season, when they claimed the title for the third consecutive year.

The Emerald boys finished first in seven of 12 events at last week's competition, ending the day with 99 points. The host Patriots came in second with 86. Gwin was third with 69. The combined Ishpeming-Negaunee team finished fourth with 53.

Coach Lindsey Yates was excited about the victory, coming after a regular season that featured many wins for the boys.

"I'm very proud of everyone's performance this evening," she said. "The boys went into tonight's meet with their heads held high, knowing what a challenge it would be. They stepped up and brought home a much-needed championship. Everyone worked their hearts out, and it paid off."

Yates hoped the trophy would also focus some well-

deserved attention on all the Emerald swimmers.

"I feel this championship will remind our community that the swimmers work hard all winter long, and many times that hard work goes unnoticed," she said. "This year, it won't go unrecognized - especially with three police cars and a fire truck escorting us back into town!"

The girls' team finished fourth in the meet, ending the day with 40 points, but still managed to win one event, courtesy of Kelly Aldrich in the 100-yard backstroke, and bring home a handful of other medals.

The Emeralds will wrap up their season at the U.P. State Finals, which take place in Marquette this Saturday, Feb. 17.

Boys: Manistique 99, Westwood 86, Gwin 69, Ishpeming-Negaunee 53.

Girls: Westwood 137, Ishpeming-Negaunee 88, Gwin 46, Manistique 40.

First place finishes (conference champions): Kelly Aldrich, 100-yard backstroke; Scott Clark, Zach Haley, Joel Smith, Derek Tuttle, 200-yard medley relay; Kyle Loup, 200-yard freestyle; 500-yard freestyle; 50-yard freestyle; 100-yard freestyle; Spencer Burns, diving; Loup, Smith, Clark, Tuttle, 400-yard freestyle relay; Sean Pfister, Jamie Helmus, Loup, Haley, 200-yard freestyle relay; Clark, 100-yard backstroke.

Third place finishes: Aldrich, 200-yard individual medley; J. Smith, 200-yard individual medley; Pfister, 50-yard freestyle; Haley, 100-yard breaststroke.

Fourth place finishes: Alyssa Strasser, Emily Nord, Danielle Reid, A. Smith, 200-yard freestyle relay; A. Smith, 100-yard backstroke; Aldrich, Reid, Christine Kemper, Strasser, 400-yard freestyle relay.

Fifth place finishes: Boudreau, 100-yard breaststroke; Haley, 200-yard individual medley; Pfister, 100-yard freestyle.

Sixth place finishes: Reid, 200-yard freestyle.

Wood a finalist for 'Mr. Wrestler' Award

Manistique High School senior Bill Wood is a finalist for the 2006-2007 Mr. Wrestler Award presented by the U.P. Wrestling Coaches Association (UPWCA).

Wood is one of five senior grapplers vying for the honor, which will be presented at the U.P. State Finals in Marquette this Saturday.

Wood has been involved in wrestling for 13 years, including four years at the varsity level, where he racked up 127 career wins.

He holds the MHS records for the most takedowns in a season with 72 and most wins in a season with 40.

He has been a runner-up and champion at the U.P. Finals and the Mid-Peninsula Conference wrestling meet, and was a four-time champ of the annual Rudyard Bridge Brawl tournament, where he was named outstanding wrestler in 2006. He is also a three-time Munising Invitational champ and a runner-up and two-time title

holder from the Mariucci Invitational.

When not competing, Wood stays active in the sport, serving as a practice coordinator, official and coach for the Manistique Youth Wrestling program.

He is also an Eagle Scout, a youth football coach, a four-year member of the MHS Student Council and a member of the National Honor Society.

Also in the running for this year's Mr. Wrestler Award are Tyge Benson of West Iron County, Jim Berube of Escanaba, Kurt Davis of Munising, Derek Saari of Escanaba, and Erich Smith of Ishpeming-Westwood.

On Tuesday it was announced that Wood had also been named to the UPWCA's 2007 All-Academic Wrestling Team, a program that honors junior and senior grapplers who maintain grade point averages of at least 3.5. Wood previously made the list as a junior in 2006.

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3. St. Ignace (13-3)	3. Forest Park (13-2)
4. Calumet (11-4)	4. Carney-Nadeau (14-1)
5. Norway (11-5)	5. Ewen-Trout Cr. (12-2)

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Freshmen fall to Mustangs

After being up 15-7 at the end of one quarter, the Emerald freshmen let the contest slip away in the second and third, going on to drop a 56-46 decision to the Mustangs Friday night.

The Emeralds managed just six points in the second stanza while giving up 14, allowing Mustangs to tie the contest at 21 at the half.

Scoring one more point in the third then they did in the first half, the Mustangs went

on a stampede, netting 22 points in the third to control a 43-30 advantage going into the final eight minutes.

Time ran out for Manistique in the fourth quarter. The Emeralds outscored Mustangs 16-15, but couldn't close the 13-point gap. Mustangs had created in the third.

Matt Baker led the Emeralds with 14 points in the loss. Anders Broullier added 13, Derek Lambert 10, Kyle Edwards six, Greg Vaughan two, Zach We-

Vikings go one-for-three in playdowns at Little Bear West

Eight teams from all over the Upper Peninsula converged on the Little Bear West Arena last weekend to compete in the Pee-wee "B" District Eight playdowns.

The Manistique Vikings needed to win two of three qualifying games to assure their spot in the semi-final round.

The first game on Friday night against Marquette's Hockey Central proved to be an easy win.

The Vikings dominated the game with a 9-0 final score.

Defensesmen Kyle Demers, Tyler Pomeroy, Cam Ludlow, Willie Lanville and Shane Linck played a key role, shutting down Marquette's offense and killing a three-on-five Marquette power play twice during the game. Netminder Roger Lustila stopped all 15

shot attempts in the shutout.

Offensively, Dustin Brown recorded four goals and an assist; Nathan Rahm, two goals, two assists; Aaron Cook, two goals; Hunter Majurin, one goal, one assist; Tommy Robbins, Brent Savage, Tanner Watson and Justin DeLisle one assist each.

Game two was a complete turnaround for the Vikings. Manistique's lackluster performance resulted in a nine-point loss to the Lions of Calumet.

Manistique struggled to get the puck out of their own zone in the 12-3 defeat. The Vikings' offense only produced 11 shots on goal while the Lions charged the net 55 times.

Viking goalie Kyle Wely valiantly stopped 43 of the 55 attempts. Nathan Rahm netted

all three goals, with assist points earned by Robert Ayotte, Justin DeLisle and Shane Linck.

Their poor performance in game two put the host squad in a must-win position for the third contest. The Vikings showed up with a much-improved game, but a slew of penalties, eight in all, made it tough to swing momentum to

their side.

Their opponent, Iron Mountain, with only one penalty during the game, found the back of the net six times.

With only three goals for their effort, the Vikings were eliminated from advancing to the semi-finals, which were played on Sunday.

Points were earned by Tom Robbins, Hunter Majurin, and

Nathan Rahm, with one goal each, and Dustin Brown and Cam Ludlow, with one assist a piece.

Iron Mountain was subsequently eliminated in the semi-finals.

Ontonagon and Negaunee advanced to the finals. Negaunee captured the district title with a 7-0 win over Ontonagon.

K of C regionals are Sunday at St. Francis

The public is invited to attend the district competition in the annual K of C Free Throw Championship, which will be hosted this weekend by Knights of Columbus Council 2026 in Manistique.

The event takes place Sunday, Feb. 18, at 1 p.m., at St. Francis de Sales School.

Shooting in the competition will be boys and girls 9-14 who won their age groups in qualifying action last month.

Students from Manistique, Big Bay de Noc, Escanaba,

while unlicensed (11/06). He was sentenced to 75 days in jail. Three days are to be served immediately with credit for one day served applied. Completion of 24 hours community service will equate to two days served. Balance will be held over 12 month's probation.

He was assessed \$45 state costs, \$150 crime victim rights assessment, \$200 statute costs, \$335 statute fine, \$100 state police reimbursement expense, \$460 statute costs, \$120 probation oversight fees, \$1,155 total. Shall attend victim impact panel as arranged. Optional jail term 75 days.

Jonathan James Steede, 26, of Ishpeming, charged with driving 45 miles per hour in a 40 m.p.h. zone (1/07). Assessed \$71.

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District Court

police officer (12/06). He was sentenced to 75 days in jail. Thirty-one days are to be served immediately, with credit for time served of 31 days applied. Balance will be held over 12 month's probation. He shall also complete 12 hours of community service, follow counseling recommendations and attend victim impact panel as arranged.

He was assessed \$90 state costs, \$450 statute fine, \$100 state police reimbursement expense, \$50 crime victim rights assessment, \$550 statute costs, \$300 probation oversight fees, \$1,540 total. Optional jail term 75 days.

Gabriel John Kloet, 22, of Gladstone, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55 m.p.h. zone (1/07). Assessed \$71.

Kyle Krebs, 17, of Escanaba, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55 m.p.h. zone (2/07). Assessed \$100.

Dale Jeffery LaFolle, 24, of Manistique, charged with possessing a loaded firearm in motor vehicle (11/06). Assessed \$250.

John Mario Rossato, 44, of Iron Mountain, charged with allowing minor to hunt unsupervised (11/06). Assessed \$125.

Douglas Andrew Russell, 47, of Marquette, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55 m.p.h. zone (2/07). As-

essed \$100.

Gary William Schwamb, 23, of Manistique, plead guilty in 93rd District Court to receiving and concealing stolen property - \$200-\$1,000 (10/06). He was sentenced to 49 days in jail and received credit for time served. He was assessed \$45 state costs, \$150 crime victim rights assessment, \$200 statute costs, \$445 total. Optional jail term 75 days.

Daniel Martin Sears, 42, of Germfak, charged with possession of open intoxicants in motor vehicle (12/06). Assessed \$125.

Michelle Lynn Segerstrom, 43, of Manistique, plead guilty in 93rd District Court to embezzlement - agent or trustee less than \$200 (12/06). She was sentenced to 35 days in jail with two days to be served immediately. Balance will be held over 12 month's probation. She shall also complete 24 hours of community service. She was assessed \$45 state costs, \$150 statute fine, \$300 probation oversight fees, \$50 crime victim rights assessment, \$200 statute costs, \$745. Restitution to be determined. Optional jail term 35 days.

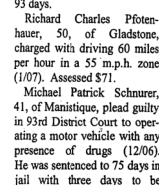
Christopher Adam Snyder, 19, Manistique, plead guilty in 93rd District Court to operating a motor vehicle while impaired by liquor and driving

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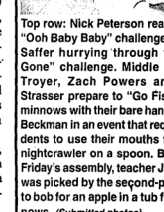
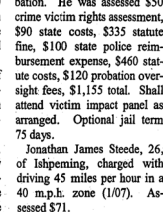
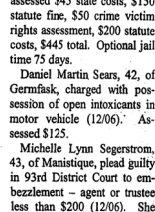
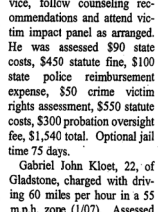
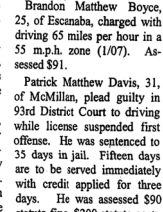
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Top row: Nick Peterson ready for the "Ooh Baby Baby" challenge; Shelby Saffer hurrying through the "Dog Gone" challenge. Middle row: Eric Troyer, Zach Powers and Dylan Strosser prepare to "Go Fishing" for minnows with their bare hands; Brittni Beckman in an event that required students to use their mouths to carry a nightcrawler on a spoon. Bottom: At Friday's assembly, teacher Jay Pawlik was picked by the second-place team to bob for an apple in a tub full of minnows. (Submitted photos)



MAS elementary students overcome the 'Fear Factor'

Approximately 40 4th and 5th graders attended a special "Fear Factor Party," which was held in the Manistique High School cafeteria last Thursday evening.

Students formed teams that rotated through 10 challenges run by parent volunteers, including such things as an "Old Frozen Toes" event, where students had 30 seconds to remove marbles from a tub of ice water using only their feet, or "Ooh Baby Baby," where they had to dress in a diaper, bib and bonnet, roll a die, sample a corresponding jar of baby food, and guess the flavor.

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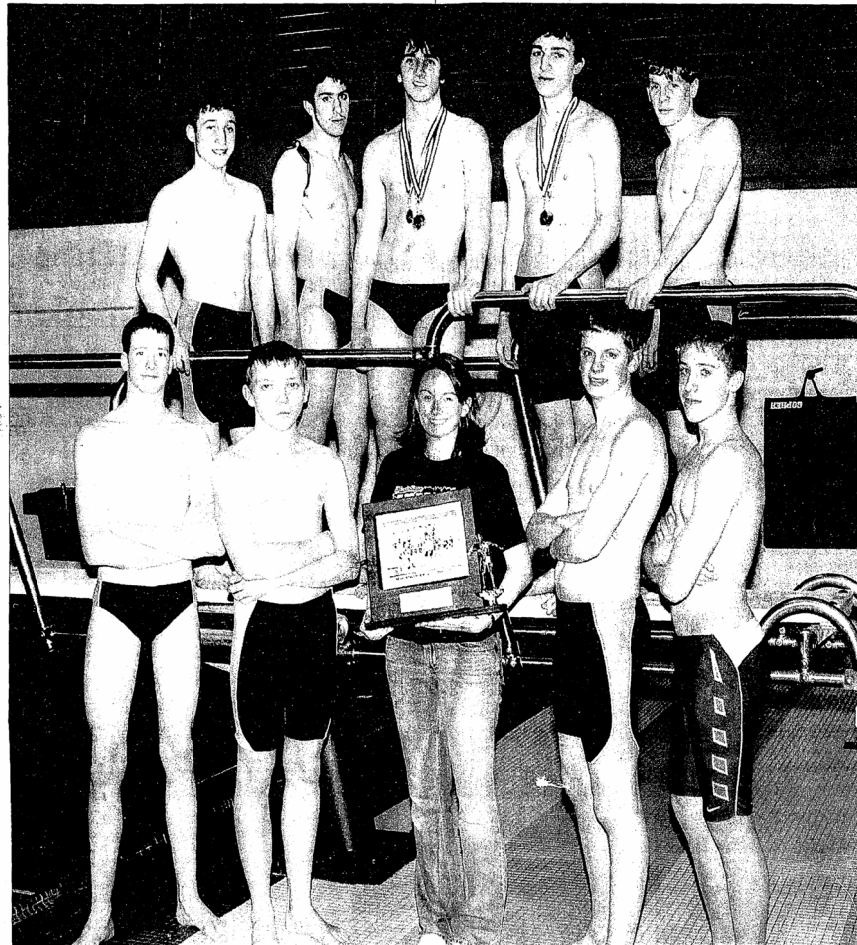
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