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## MAS Board reviews MEAP test results, names new school, gets building update



### Planning for the future

From left: City Councilmember and Schoolcraft County EDC member Jan Jeffcott, MSU Extension Director Dave Andersen and City Manager Sheila Aldrich, three members of the county's new eight-member "Prosperity Team," with a plaque commemorating the receipt Monday afternoon of a \$5,000 planning grant from the Land Policy Institute at Michigan State. The grant was one of four awarded in the state — the only one out of three applications from the U.P. The funding will be used to find new ways to pursue and promote economic development in the county. Over the next few months, the team members will form a task force made up of representatives from the city, county, every township, the EDC, DDA, Manistique Merchants Association, Manistique Area Tourist Council and Chamber of Commerce. That group will hold focus group meetings around the county, arrange for educational programs for local residents — including sessions on entrepreneurship and two presentations of last year's successful "Can Small Towns Be Cool?" program — and develop formal recommendations for the future of local economic development programs. Other members of the Prosperity Team are: Don Perigo, Paul Olson, Laurie Jasmin, Dan McKinney and Lenore Heminger. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

## DDA OKs application for Waterways grant

Council approval next step before going to DNR

by Paul Olson

After talking about it for much of the past year, and twice listing it as one of their top goals, the Manistique Downtown Development Authority is ready to take a major step toward future upgrades along the city waterfront. The DDA board voted Tuesday to submit an application for \$50,000 in planning funds from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Waterways Grant Program.

According to Tony Schomin of STS Consultants, who prepared the application and reviewed it at Tuesday's meeting, they should know this spring if the city will receive the grant.

The application seeks \$25,000 in state Waterways funding, to be matched with a \$25,000 contribution from the DDA. That money would be used to prepare an engineering and master plan study for the city marina on the east side of the Manistique River and the boat launch area on the west side.

Schomin said the study would encompass a variety of components that are in need of upgrades or repairs, beginning with one of the most pressing issues: the collapsing bin walls in the marina, which were first noticed last year.

Schomin said the walls have deteriorated to the point where backfill is settling and running out into the harbor.

"It's just a matter of time before your concrete cap or your sidewalks collapse," he stated.

Other marina projects that would fall under the study would be the piers, which

could someday be replaced with more modern floating docks, the access road and parking areas, an upgrade of the restroom and showers to meet code and accessibility requirements, and general survey of utilities, repairs to the fueling dock and the possible addition of diesel fuel services.

Across the river, the study would look at enlarging the launch ramp, plus improvements to roads and parking areas, restrooms and utilities.

Schomin said the plans could also include several handicapped-accessible fishing piers on the river's west side.

City Manager Sheila Aldrich said they hope to submit a grant application to the Great Lakes Fishery Trust to build the piers. An application submitted to the trust last year for a number of launch-area improvements was turned down, but the city was invited to try again, and told to submit cost estimates and other engineering information with the application.

One final area to be covered in the study would be the ongoing issue of shallow water in the river and harbor, which has created navigation problems for larger vessels.

While historic low lake levels are part of the cause, Schomin said, there are probably other factors, such as sand and sediment flowing downstream.

The study would include a hydrographic survey and look at ways to address the problem, or at least prevent it from getting worse.

In addition to the engineering work involved in putting together the master plan, Schomin said they would hold a

series of meetings with local officials, residents and stakeholder groups to determine the types and extent of waterfront improvements needed.

The draft of the grant application called for a planning project totaling \$44,000.

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## DEQ approves wetland deal with O-N Minerals

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality announced last week that it had reached an agreement with O-N Minerals that will allow quarrying operations in Schoolcraft County to continue, while protecting and preserving valuable natural resources. O-N Minerals owns and operates the Port Inland quarry in Galliver.

According to DEQ Director Steven E. Chester, the agreement will allow the department to issue a permit under wetlands regulations, ensuring that the quarry can expand and continue extracting dolomite and hi-cal stone.

The proposed expansion will affect 42 acres of forested and shrub/scrub wetland habitats. To compensate for that loss, the company will place a permanent conservation easement on 357 acres of property near the quarry, including a rare wooded dune and swale wetland complex.

In addition, O-N Minerals will permanently protect, by

by Paul Olson

Officials at the Manistique Area Schools are pleased with the results of last fall's Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) tests, administered to students in grades 3-9 — but point out that there's always room for improvement.

During presentations at Monday night's Board of Education meeting, Elementary Principal Jason Lockwood and Middle-High School Principal Butch Yurk said they were generally happy with the results, which once again showed MAS students surpassing the state averages in many areas.

"We're bouncing around but doing well," said Yurk.

Lockwood agreed, noting that the district had once again met its mandated "adequate yearly progress" goals.

"Overall, in every grade level and subject, we made gains compared to last year. The ISD [Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District] and the state," he said.

The results of the third grade math tests, for example, showed 97 percent of MAS students scoring in the top two levels, up from 89 percent last year. The same percentage was seen in the ISD, and both were better than the statewide average of 88 percent.

On the third grade English language arts (combined reading and writing) tests, 89 percent of students were in the top levels, compared to 81 percent last year, 87 percent for the ISD and 79 percent for the state.

The only area where MAS third graders lagged behind was in the separate writing scores. Only 45 percent of the local students scored in the top two levels, down a point from last year, and well behind the ISD (53 percent) and state (52 percent) averages.

Similar results were seen in the other grades, with the percentage of students in the top two levels often equal to or better than the figures from other ISD schools and the state — except on the writing tests.

Only 48 percent of fourth graders were in the top two levels of the writing test, down dramatically from 55 percent last year. However, the figure

was considerably higher than the ISD percentage of 39 percent and slightly better than the statewide rate of 45 percent.

Fifth graders actually improved on writing compared to 2005, with the percentage of Level 1 and 2 students taking a big jump from 36 percent to 58 percent. The number also topped both the ISD (50 percent) and state (57 percent) rates.

The only other grade to record writing-test improvements was eighth grade, where the percentage of students in the top two levels rose from 69 percent to 72 percent and bettered the ISD and state rates, both of which stood at 67 percent.

Yurk said they are still analyzing the writing-test problems, and are working on curriculum adjustments.

As always, he said, their curriculum decisions are guided by testing requirements.

"We hate to say that the MEAP always drives us, but it does," Yurk stated.

Lockwood said the issue reminds him of earlier MEAP problems, where eighth grade students all across the state struggled with the social studies portion of the tests. When the state later moved social studies exams to ninth grade, scores instantly improved.

Lockwood said they are putting an intensive local effort into the writing curriculum, and have incorporated the issue into the school improvement plan.

"Our scores are good, but we can always do better," he said.

Yurk also provided a brief update on the upcoming assessment tests for high school juniors, which are being changed this year from the MEAPs to the new Michigan Merit Exam, which will be administered to all 10th graders in the state starting March 13.

The testing program now includes the standard college-entrance ACT exam, components of the ACT-developed WorkKeys test, plus tests covering science and social studies.

To address the requirement that students be tested in a

### MAS Board Highlights

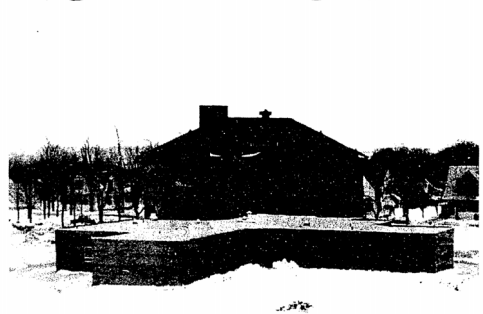
#### MEAP Review

New School Name Approved

Construction Update

Mortar Discussion

Lincoln Sale Decision



A 1969 Pioneer-Tribune photo showing the "old" and "new" Lakeside Elementary Schools side by side, shortly before the old building was demolished. Those schools will be the last to carry the Lakeside name in Manistique, following a School Board decision to name the new building now being constructed at the site the Emerald Elementary School.

separate area, away from the normal high school environment, MAS will administer the Merit Exam at the Diamond Lights Banquet Centre, a location that has been approved by the state.

Yurk said juniors are being encouraged to take advantage of Merit Exam preparation resources, including practice tests, available on the Internet.

To find the site, go to [www.tstu.com/min/hv/act.html](http://www.tstu.com/min/hv/act.html). From there, click on the "Access ACT Smart Curriculum" link, enter the code 14889627 and a profile.

Enrolled students can sign in at [www.tstu.com](http://www.tstu.com).

In other business, board members voted unanimously to name the district's new K-5 school the "Emerald Elementary School." The decision

ratified a recommendation from Lockwood, Superintendent Esther Mudge, the board's own building and grounds committee, and a majority of students, who had selected the name in a recent poll.

The naming process began last month, when Lockwood announced that he had surveyed staff members and arrived at three top choices: Emerald Elementary, Oak Street Elementary and Manistique Elementary.

From there, the issue went to the student body, which "voted convincingly" in favor of Emerald Elementary, Lockwood said.

Since then, the matter of a location name generated a considerable amount of discussion in the community, with many current and former residents opposed to the Emerald moniker.

Some said the new school should honor a former district employee — longtime kindergarten teacher Marie LaFave was a choice cited by many — or carry on the Lakeside Elementary name, as a tribute to earlier buildings that stood over the years at the new school site.

But Mudge said they wanted a more "general" name — one that would honor all the old school buildings that were once in use around the district, and all of the teachers who worked in those buildings, rather than paying tribute to just one.

Without discussion, the board cast its 7-0 vote in favor of Emerald Elementary, receiving a round of applause from the audience, most of which was made up of district employees.

In other action related to the new school project, the board

**MAS Board**

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**Teachers proud of MEAP results**

Officials at the Manistique Area Schools say they're proud of the way students performed on this year's Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) tests, where they once again surpassed the state averages in many of the subject areas.

"The students work very hard on these tests and take them seriously," said fifth grade teacher Kathy Brown.

As an example, Brown pointed to this year's English Language Arts test strand, in which fifth graders were asked to write an essay about "A Hero." In a limited amount of time, they had to think about the topic and then draft their essay.

"The students' papers were very good," Brown said.

She illustrated her point with a MEAP essay from fifth grader Megan Martin, daughter of Jake and Wendy Martin.

"It's an example of the quality of work our elementary students are capable of producing," Brown said. "As you read it, imagine sitting in a classroom, the stress of knowing how important these state tests are, and writing such an outstanding paper. Our heroes are our elementary students who did so well on their MEAPs."

My hero may actually be many heroes. I do not know my hero's name but I know where he is. He is fighting in Iraq, just like my mom and dad fought in Desert Storm carrying the pride and honor of being a Marine.

My hero is a very brave person. He probably has a family and misses them dearly, but he keeps fighting. For them, for us, for freedom. He is also very proud because he can never be called a hero. Even if he does not return to his family, he is a hero. My hero is also kind hearted. He is willing to give his life to save ours. He's willing to fight for freedom and for our and his own rights. I consider him a hero because of what he does for us. He will fight till there is no fight left in him, he will fight until he falls, and he will fight until he gets the respect he has so honor-

ably earned.

When he heads so boldly onto the battle field with millions of other heroes at his sides, I hope he feels that he has my hope and my gratitude for everything he does for us. Even if he falls to face a better place, I want him to know he is the hero of many people including myself.

My parents fought in Desert Storm so I thank them every day for that, but this man we should be thanking every minute of every day as we should be thanking all of the Marines out there for fighting for what they believe in. For fighting for us, for fighting for our, for fighting for freedom. This is why this brave, heroic, true and kind person is my hero.

Megan Martin

### Fish Report

By Ret. Sgt. John Walker

Well, we sure had a heat wave the first of the week and they are saying we may have some rain too. What a change from just a week ago, but needless to say everybody was ready for a warm snap. We still have not had any snow so with the end of February rolling around one wonders if we are going to get much more. But as I have stated before, we have been known to have a real dandy March snowstorm up here in Yooperland.

Once again this weekend I was down near Flint, Mich., to tell stories at an outdoor banquet. So of course once again the main topic seemed to be the upcoming license increase.

It seems most people on the street are not too happy with what they hear about this increase.

Last week in the Fish Report I wrote a little about the case for a license increase with the number of hunters and fishermen going down each year. I also stated I would follow up with a few facts I think gives people this attitude.

First of all, let me mention one that has his right here at home. Through the years the DNR has closed more and more of their field offices so people feel they are cut off from the DNR. We had one closed at the Thompson Hatchery that was closed more for political reasons than anything else. I could go across the U.P. and name field office after field office that has been closed and the interesting thing is in a lot of cases the personnel you could catch at one of these field offices are still working but no longer around to stop and talk to. You have to remember that not everyone has a computer to look things up so they just feel left out.

When these field offices were closed it caused another contact to be lost. Now I will admit this one could be a real pain for the officers or those at the field office, but it was a service to the public. Do you remember when if you had a skunk or woodchuck problem you could go to the field office and check out a live trap? Or if it was a little old lady having a problem we even went and trapped the critters for her. Not in this day and age, it is just another service lost.

Also when the field offices closed, the successful hunters lost a place where they could go and get their successful hunters patch. Now in some cases here in the U.P. you have to drive over 100 miles round trip to get a patch. Just another service lost to the outdoor people.

Ok you old fossils out there I need some help with the year this actually happened. Do you

remember when if the husband bought a fishing license it became a family outing because your wife did not have to purchase a fishing license? Then the "Expurts" decided that they could solve all the budget problems if they changed the law so mom also had to purchase a fishing license. Now if this was true we really should have doubled the number of fishing licenses sold. Not really, but there should have been a sharp increase in the number of license sold. But was the price we paid when mom could no longer fish free on dad's license worth it for the next generation of youth to grow up without family fishing trips. Just food for thought.

Then they were going to solve all the financial problems by making those that fish in the Great Lakes buy a fishing license. This was also done to help with the salmon program so there was a plus for the fishermen, but it did not solve the problem.

I even remember when snowmachines did not need a license and now they need two.

So the outdoor person has to purchase two snowmobile licenses, an ORV license, and a boat license. Now through the years boat licenses have gone from only those that used a motor needing a registration, too now where almost all type of watercraft need a license.

I just wanted to point some of these things out that through the years were used to fix the DNR's budget problems and they never did. Now like any business when they get a big influx of cash they can survive a number of years living on the cash flow from the increase. There are a lot of private businesses that try to do this when they first get started and they soon find out they have to change or in a couple of years their doors will be closed.

What usually happens with government is when they get an increase and an influx of cash they start creating new programs, which means new personnel, which means your new cash flow is eaten up in a short time.

I will close this week with this to prove my point. When I hired in as a conservation officer there were four people in the Lansing DNR law section. The chief of law division, his assistant and a secretary. There was also one person in the hunter safety section. When I left 25 years later there was 10 times that many in the Lansing office with even fewer field conservation officers. AND remember this was just one department within the DNR so money problems should be no surprise. Next week we will talk about how attitudes have also changed.



Fourteen probationary conservation officers graduated this month from the latest DNR recruit school. The new officers include three who will be assigned to the Upper Peninsula. They are PCO William Webster, who will be assigned to Schoolcraft County (middle row, fourth from left); PCO Derek Miller, who will be assigned to Luce County (back row, fifth from left); and PCO Brian Bacon, who will be assigned to Goegetic County (back row, sixth from left). (DNR photo by David Kenyon)

### DNR recruits complete training

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

Fourteen probationary conservation officers successfully completed the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' rigorous and demanding recruit school academy earlier this month at the Michigan State Police training facility near Lansing.

The intensive 22-week program, which concluded Feb. 9, was designed by the DNR Law Enforcement Division and is one of only three department training academies in the state certified by the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES).

Conservation officers hired by the Michigan DNR undergo

nearly 10 months of extensive recruit training. The first part is a basic police recruit school academy conducted at the Michigan State Police training facility.

The DNR held its first MCOLES-certified academy in 2000 and has averaged an academy every two years. These academies have added 64 new officers to the department's statewide deployment of 157 conservation officers in the field.

Conservation officers are fully commissioned peace officers, empowered to enforce all laws of the state of Michigan, and with good reason.

They support and assist state and local law enforcement in a variety of domestic, traffic and public safety situations, as well as providing marine patrols

and assisting the U.S. Coast Guard with border safety issues.

New recruits are hired as full-time peace officers and are paid as full-time employees while they live at the academy. Sunday evening through Friday afternoon, and train to become COs.

Conservation officers are not only taught the basic law enforcement skills in the academy, they also receive specialized training in conservation law enforcement. The recruits receive training in areas that range from traditional police subjects like criminal law and investigation, to DNR-specific

### DNR training

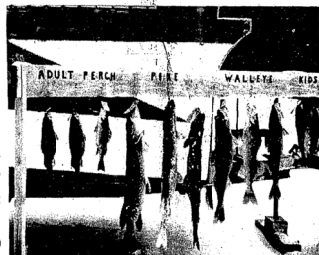
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### Anglers compete in annual Derby

Local anglers of all ages took part in the eighth annual McDonald Lake Ice Fishing Derby in Gulliver last weekend.

The results and prizes awarded were:

- Adult Perch**  
First place, Willie Henry, 13 1/2 inches, 1.2 pounds, \$450.  
Second place, David Winters, 13 1/4 inches, 1.4 pounds, \$225.  
Third place, Ryan Weber, 12 5/8 inches, 1.1 pounds, \$145.
- Pike**  
First place, Cliff Barton, 30 inches, 6.7 pounds, \$450.  
Second place, Ken Fischer, 29 1/2 inches, 5.7 pounds, \$225.  
Third place, Mike Ryerse, 29 inches, 5.7 pounds, \$145.
- Walleye**  
First place, George Hoholik, 24 1/2 inches, 5.6 pounds, \$450.  
Second place, Ron Goudreau, 22 1/2 inches, 3.4 pounds, \$225.



The top fish caught during last weekend's eighth annual McDonald Lake Ice Fishing Derby. (Submitted photo)

- Third place, Jeff Vail, 22 1/2 inches, 3.4 pounds, \$145.
- Kids Perch**  
First place, Andy Parrish, 12 inches, 0.9 pounds, mount from Wood and Water Taxidermy.  
Second place, Colton Hoholik, 11 1/2 inches, 0.7 pounds, \$50 certificate from State Savings Bank.
- Third place, Alec Frenette, 11 1/2 inches, 0.7 pounds, Headstock from NAPA.

### SORVA has busy agenda

The Sportsmen Off-Road Vehicle Association (SORVA) items on the agenda include ideas for 2007 rides and events, membership levels, upcoming trail work, and how to get the club working with local officials to promote ORV tourism.

For more information, go to [www.sorvaschoolcraft.com](http://www.sorvaschoolcraft.com).

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By Tom Earle-Bridges

I'm starting to get antsy for the gardening season to begin. I will be the first to admit that a part of me was glad to see a close to last year's season. Too much of anything is never good.

Hobbies and other activities have a tendency to become stale with over-exposure. It's best to take a break and step away for awhile. This allows a time for contemplation and introspection without the need for immediate action, providing for a fresh new outlook once it's time to resume your activity.

Unfortunately, one of the first focus is on dad or mom, not on their surroundings. The tragedy comes later when inevitably, dad and mom nod off and the doggies are left to their own devices.

Nothing is more discouraging than to awaken from a nap under the warm summer sun only to discover your pooches playing tug-of-war with the plum tree that you had newly planted only hours ago.

I have decided the solution to this dilemma is to develop yet another area of the garden, one that is both plant friendly and pet friendly. This means more gates and more fences, not at all the direction I was originally planning on going this year.

Instead of simplifying, I will be complicating the garden structure even more. So be it. If this is the only means by which I can partake of two things I enjoy very much, my dogs and my garden, then this is the way it's going to have to be.

I confess I will let the dogs into the garden, all four of them, the three little guys and the one big-un, to spend time with me as I unwind after work or on warm summer weekends. This is okay for a short while; most of their

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### Seney's annual film festival is underway now

The annual Winter Film Festival got underway this week at the Seney National Wildlife Refuge. The festival started Tuesday and continues each Tuesday evening through March 13.

The schedule includes:

- Feb. 27: "Pale Male," the story of a red-tailed hawk that arrived in New York City in 1991, the first bird of its kind to make Manhattan its territory. The film follows the bird as it hunts in Central Park, courts his mate on Woody Allen's balcony, builds a penthouse nest, defends his family from attacking crows and encourages his baby chicks to fly.
- March 6: "Hope Takes Wing," the latest addition to the "Operation Migration" video series. The film chronicles the history of the whooping crane and highlights the current species reintroduction method, which uses ultralight aircraft and "extreme science" to reintro a migratory population of the birds in eastern North America.
- March 13: "Bibby Brothers" The Men Who Killed the Easter Bunny. Despite the title, this movie is actually about the efforts of two people who have worked to save a species called the bilby from extinction. The film takes you to the out Australian outback to follow the plight of the bilby, which has been threatened by rabbits, feral predators

and humans, and shows the Bibby Brothers working with local communities, politicians and government bureaucrats to make a difference.

All the movies are shown at the refuge visitor center, beginning at 7 p.m. and running until around 8 p.m. There is no admission charge, and people of all ages are encouraged to attend.

Hot chocolate and cookies are provided each week by the volunteer members of the Seney National History Association. Visitors are asked to bring their own mugs.

### Fishing meeting planned

The next meeting of the Schoolcraft County Sportfishing Association will take place Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 6:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge on Walnut Street in Manistee.

All association meetings are open to the public. Anyone interested in local fishing issues is encouraged to attend.

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EDITORIAL

Writing happy endings

In case you hadn't noticed, Schoolcraft County is quickly piling up an impressive list of grant success stories. After years of erratic, largely disappointing results when it came to grant applications, local units of government seem to have turned the tables. Over the past year or so, we've pulled in a surprising number of grants, offset with just a few unfortunate rejections.

Consider the past year or so, beginning with the biggest grant of all: the major Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant that will fund phase one of the city's Central Park recreation project this summer. More recently, the city received a substantial Community Development Block Grant for work on part of Range Street—that on the heels of the earlier CDBG funding that paid for infrastructure improvements on several downtown streets, and a Rural Business Enterprise Grant that, someday, perhaps, will be able to pay for delayed road improvements at the city industrial park.

More recently the city received a "seed of" grant—an award that comes in dollars but in the form of a free waterfront planning workshop provided by the Upper Peninsula chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Over the course of two very long days this spring, the architects will meet with local officials and residents, look at the challenges and opportunities involved in utilizing the waterfront area to its best advantage, and provide some preliminary recommendations on how to proceed.

Before that even happens, the city and DDA will be pursuing some other assistance for their waterfront planning efforts, by applying for a Waterways Program grant from the DNR—an application that reportedly is generating interest in Lansing before it's even been sent in.

And then there was Tuesday's announcement that Schoolcraft County had received a planning grant from the Michigan State University Land Use Institute, with the money earmarked to bring the community together for a different kind of planning, talking about economic development priorities and goals, deciding what we need to do next to help the county grow, and charting a course to get us there.

That's a pretty impressive list, and it's not even an exhaustive one. We haven't even talked about grants received by the schools, the hospital, fire departments and other emergency service providers, mini-grants received by local groups to stage cultural programs, or health and wellness grant dollars that are improving lives for local residents. We also haven't talked about the façade improvement grants that may soon be helping some Manistique businesses upgrade their building exteriors. The list goes on and on. It's important to note that a string of grant awards like this doesn't

happen by accident. It's not a matter of good luck or coincidence. It's not a matter of fate or fortune.

The recipe for grant success is both simpler and much more complicated than that. It includes just two ingredients: hard work and persistence. Behind every one of the grants mentioned above is an individual or group of people who devoted hours of time and effort to writing a successful application. In many cases, there were also some failed attempts littering the road along the way, defeats that needed to be learned from and then overcome.

It should also be pointed out that getting a grant is only part of the story. In most cases, it's just the very beginning of what ultimately becomes a long journey indeed.

Just ask the members of the City Council and DDA, who struggled through the 2005-2006 downtown infrastructure project. Receiving the CDBG grant may have been difficult, but it was a piece of cake compared to what came next.

Just ask the members of the city recreation board, who celebrated receipt of their grant 14 months ago and have months of work still ahead of them just to complete this phase—years of work for future phases after that.

It's easy to toss about phrases like "grant success," as we've done several times already in this editorial. It's much harder to write a genuine happy ending and turn these grant-funded projects into unqualified success stories.

Many times—most times—reaching true success requires the interest and effort of the entire community. Like the rec project. Like the economic development planning that will be starting soon. Like the waterfront planning program that will take place shortly afterwards. These are initiatives that began with a handful of people and an idea, but will never reach fruition without comprehensive, broad-based involvement.

In short, local groups and governments can apply for grants until they're blue in the face. They can receive all the money and services they could ever dream of. They can kick off all the new initiatives they want. But it won't mean anything without the rest of us.

We encourage everyone, from one end of Schoolcraft County to another, to watch these and other projects that come along in the months ahead, to get involved when called, to offer their time and wisdom, their ideas and criticisms, and above all, their attention.

There are some positive things happening around here, some exciting stories underway, and we all have a stake in writing the best possible endings that we can.

Shaping Up the Dems, One by One

By Alan Hurwitz

There are only 605 days to the presidential election and the political dynamic is heating up. This is not a soft approach—public opinion seems to be beginning to shift to some of the Democratic candidates.

Hillary Clinton: You have to look less surprised and annoyed about Barack Obama's popularity. What a nerve—running against the wife of "the first black president!" Where's the gratitude?

A little self-effacing humor would go a long way toward wounding your appeal. Something like "I know I'm not the huggiest teddy bear in the toy box" might be a start.

Also, learn to say, "I feel your pain," in a believable way. This could create a bond with many Bill followers. Sure there will be snide remarks. But if you can't handle those, how will you deal with Kim's nukes?

Bill Richardson: Despite your impressive resume, your name recognition is less than many colleagues. Helping in Darfur was great, but unfortunately Darfur has even lower name recognition than you have among many of your fellow Americans.

Being Hispanic may be an important advantage. It's just hard to remember that you are, especially for people who hear only your English. It might help to learn to speak English more of a Spanish accent. That once popular Desi Iwang might just do the trick.

Dennis Kucinich: Try out for a role playing the president, perhaps when TV's "24" recasts, or "The American President" does a remake. The preparation should help with your main image gaps. Your strategic question is, "How can I be so right on so many issues, and still have so little support?"

Barack Obama: Your unusual star qualities have touched a nerve with many voters. You seem someone that we might actually want to vote for—unusual in recent years. You will be able to keep that easy and confident image (if/when you are a top contender)? Can you project the necessary experience and gravitas?

Get going on writing a longer resume. You can still recover the versions that are already out, and people may not notice. Also, you might use some of Dennis Kucinich's TV make-up people to have you age gradually until the election. You should also gain some weight before making your suit photos get around.

Like using nuclear weapons, your threat of running may be more powerful than the fact itself, especially with another brother in the race and a sort of sister-in-law. You'll get points for keeping others on track, and for reminding Joe Biden about your (and Jesse's) cleanliness and articulateness. We'll just have to accept more boring debates.

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John Edwards: Oh, are you running for president? You've been doing a lot of on-the-ground preparation, but the public campaign seems to be beginning sooner than expected. The southern charm and smile may not be enough for a hare-and-tortoise come-back if things move too fast. Can you pull off another Kerry-like Iowa surprise right next to Illinois? Imagine—people thought only one term in the Senate wasn't enough experience! Keep emphasizing your Iraq apology, especially right before Hillary's speeches.

Joe Biden: You seem the most presidential, especially on foreign policy, clearly a major aspect of this election. If you could only figure out a way to avoid getting yourself in trouble! Perhaps a staff counselor could help.

You survived the plagiarism flack of your 1988 campaign, but your potential challenge still is credibility and speaking less carelessly, or perhaps less in general. Take more deep breaths and trust the universe to see your intelligence. The voters may be smarter than you think.

John Kerry: It must have "Hurwitzpresidential" campaign. (At least that is what I think you said in your Senate speech and e-mail message.) I was going to advise improving your political radar. Now that you have dropped out, I have much more respect for your political sensibilities.

A difficult catch 22: The only way to prove that you had the political savvy to be president was not to run—a difficult dilemma for someone who has wanted to be president for as long as you have. Congratulations on your decision.

Al Sharpton: You haven't said you're running, and I suspect you won't, despite the fun of upstaging those white big shoes during the debates. You were the main reason that many of us watched.

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his writing on political and social issues. In addition to his columns, he has published several scholarly articles over the years, including "Organizational Structures for the New World Order," "The Transnational Culture of Quality—Implementing Total Quality Across Countries and Cultures," "Make OD Not War," "You Can Never Trust a System," and "A Systems Approach to Conflict Management."

WEEKLY WEATHER RECAP. The following weather information starts Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2007. Table with columns: DAY, HIGH, LOW, PRECIP. Rows: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday.

A Look Back at the... Pioneer-Tribune Archives

40 Years Ago February 23, 1967

William J. Sheahan, Schoolcraft County prosecuting attorney, passed away at 1:40 a.m. Sunday in the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for the past month. He had been in failing health for the past year. He held the office of prosecuting attorney for more than 32 years, serving every year since 1933 except for 1941 and 1942. A public legislative hearing on the Manistique River flood control project is being planned by State Rep. Charles Varnum. Varnum said the military affairs committee of the House would probably fly up from Lansing some Saturday noon, and hold the hearing in Manistique. The Manistique Republican has said that he will introduce a bill authorizing state appropriations for construction of 14 new National Guard armories in the state National Guard officers have said that in their list of priorities. Gladstone ranks first in the state, with Manistique third. Local funds of \$30,000 for the city's share of the armory are being raised by a one mill tax levy, and a site opposite the State Police post has been selected.

30 Years Ago February 24, 1977

Painted gold and inscribed "George Mero, Ek of the Year 1976-77," an old-fashioned nickel slot machine was to be presented in a special Ek's Club ceremony honoring George Mero next week. But the old machine was confiscated Friday morning by Gary Sooras, Michigan Liquor Control Commission enforcement officer for Delta and Schoolcraft counties. Sooras said it hadn't been determined whether the machine would pay off, but it does accept nickels, and he confiscated it as prima facie evidence of gambling. Club officials said Sooras had inspected the machine the previous Friday and had not objected to the unused machine, which was being stored in a club office. Sooras, who carried the machine out escorted by a city patrolman, said a hearing would be held on the matter in the near future.

With the last remaining work now finished and out of the way, the Schoolcraft County Medicare Facility has announced that it will hold an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 27. Facility Administrator Deony Boyd said that all work with the new addition and remodeling has been completed. The facility has added 17 new patient rooms and a chapel, along with general storage, maintenance, food service and meeting rooms. Total construction ran \$615,000. The original facility was built in 1968 with a 40 bed capacity. The facility now has some 75 beds available.

"We did our swimming on the west side of the Indian River near where the homes are built now. We used to go down by the sawmill until they put in a restriction that you had to wear bathing suits," Ed Ekdhall, lifelong Manistique resident, remembers. Mr. Ekdhall invited me over to his house last week for an informal talk on Manistique, its growth and its past: a talk that covered many facets of life as it was in years gone by. "Manistique has come a long way. We have more homes, a new high school and a new courthouse. The new high school and courthouse, the third high school and courthouse I have seen built in my time," says the 88 year old Ekdhall.

20 Years Ago February 26, 1987

Manistique area students scored higher than statewide averages on reading and math tests, according to a report presented to the Manistique Area Schools Board of Education. Vern Annelin, Michigan Educational Assessment Program Coordinator for the district, compiled the report. For the past four years test results of 4th, 7th and 10th graders have been mapped and show scores consistently exceeding or matching state averages. This year's science tests were added. Superintendent Herb Harroun said next year's studies will be included in the battery of tests. He said MAS students scored "phenomenally well across the board."

Due to a lack of snow, Manistique Area Schools and St. Francis de Sales School will be closed on Friday, Feb. 27, and Monday, March 2. Students and teachers will have the unexpected vacation because two "make up" days added to the school calendar have not been used. If the mild winter continues, another "winter break" will be enjoyed by students on March 27 and March 30.

The 6th annual Manistique PeeWee Invitational Tournament was held last weekend at the Fair Building, with plenty of action taking place. Escanaba's Team Electronics won the first place travel trophy, going undefeated in their four games. Newberry's Pete's Hilltop took second place. It was a great tournament, although the weather did not cooperate, as has happened all year long. With the weather becoming warmer, Saturday, the ice became extremely slow and the games became harder and harder to play. Because of that, only three games were played on Sunday.

10 Years Ago February 27, 1997

The Manistique City Council voted unanimously Monday to approve the agreement negotiated between the city and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians for funding, completion and usage of the new multi-purpose building on Maple Street. So far, the tribe has paid the city an advance of \$100,000 toward completion of the building. The agreement calls for them to pay a total of \$499,998 in six semi-annual installments. In exchange, the tribe will receive certain considerations, including the right to name the facility, the right to use it for up to 20 hours a week for tribal youth programs, the right to use it for up to six days annually without rental charge, and the right for tribe members to use the facility during public hours, also without charge.

When the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners voted last week to approve a package of 28 amendments to the county's zoning ordinance, one thing that was not included was the creation of commercial and industrial development zones. County zoning administrator Paul Wood says he'd like to see that change. "We need to make it easier for people to bring commercial and industrial operations into the county," he said. "Right now, there's nothing available."

After meeting in a special session for more than two hours Tuesday and another hour Wednesday morning, the Schoolcraft County E-911 Committee voted 7-2 to recommend that the county board ask voters for a telephone bill surcharge of 16 percent to fund a 911 emergency system. When combined with the four percent surcharge already authorized by law, it would bring the maximum charge collected to 20 percent, or approximately \$2.67 per phone line, based on today's rate. The special (funding election has been tentatively set for Friday, May 9.

County will levy millage to support veterans' relief fund

By Paul Olson

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners voted 3-1 Tuesday night to impose a special "one-time" tax levy to support the county veterans' relief fund. Commissioners Keith Aldrich, John Zellner and Jean Barber voted in favor of the tax. Commissioner Louis Lauzon was opposed. Paggi Arnold was absent. County Clerk Dan McKinney said Wednesday that the levy will consist of 1/10 of a mill and will most likely be collected with this year's

summer tax billing. The levy is expected to generate \$27,827 for the relief fund, which assists disabled veterans and their families through a voucher program.

McKinney said the board and Prosecutor Peter Hollenbeck researched state law before Tuesday's meeting, and confirmed that the millage can be imposed without a vote of the people.

In fact, McKinney said, the 1899 law actually states that the "county shall" collect the tax rather than the "county

may" collect it, creating a legal mandate. "The levy can be for any amount up to 1/10 of a mill, as necessary to keep the relief fund solvent."

McKinney said the county will collect the tax this year, then not levy the millage again until the balance in the relief fund drops below \$3,000.

According to the law, money in the fund cannot be used for salaries and other expenses, but only to assist honorably discharged indigent veterans, their spouses, widows or minor

children, as certified by local Veterans Counselor Vicki Stewart.

Upcoming Events: MARLEY'S CELEBRITY BARTENDERS NIGHT AND AUCTION Saturday, Feb. 24, starting at 6 p.m. MANISTIQUE HOCKEY SKATE-A-THON Sunday, March 4, 1-3 p.m.

Letters to the Editor newsroom@pioneertribune.com

All's Well That Ends Well

By Mike Ball

I've enjoyed the privileges of being a city boy for most of my life. This means that I have developed lungs that will filter more than two million toxic substances out of the air (these toxins apparently wind up in my liver, where they can be flushed out with periodic substantial doses of alcohol).

It also means that I have had access to "city water." OK, I'll admit that this may not seem like a big plus when you sometimes have to push aside chunks of "city water" to get to the part you drink, or when you hear from the mayor that, "On the up side, no known bacteria could possibly survive in all that chemical pollution."

But at least you know that when you turn the tap, something resembling water is going to come out. And on the very rare occasions when it doesn't, you just have to wait a while until some guys in yellow-and-orange-striped vests come around and fix it. So you can imagine how disorienting it was when we moved into a house where we got our water from our own well.

I got a little nervous when, before we even moved in, they had to "test the well." You see, over a lifetime of ingesting countless meals in diners with names like "Scabby Joe's," I have developed a philosophy that when it comes to washing down a mouthful of mystery meat, you're better off just to shut your eyes and drink whatever the stuff is in the semi-opaque water glass with the antique lipstick marks. Read-

really just keeping him company, since I had absolutely no idea what a well might look like—unless it had a bucket on a rope, along with a sign inviting us to toss in a coin and make a wish.

After we found the well, getting it fixed was fairly straightforward. All it took was a wheelbarrow full of money and a willingness to have an enormous truck parked in my front yard for a couple of days.

And now, years later, I'm an old hand at this whole business. I'm on a first-name basis with two generations of well-fixer guys, plus I know how to say some cool things like "holding tank" and "pressure gauge." I don't actually know what they mean, but I can say them.

And that's a start.

Mike Ball is an award-winning humorist who lives and writes on the shores of Whitmore Lake, Mich. Over the past 28 years, he has written and produced columns, ads, brochures, slogans, songs, memos, and anything else that needed writing, including a eulogy for a dog. In 2003 he was awarded first prize in the Erma Bombeck Writing Contest for his essay, "Just A Little Bile." His humor column, "What I've Learned So Far," is a weekly feature in the Northfield Courier. Over the past few years his work has also appeared in the Livingston County Daily Press and Argus, Corp's Magazine and the Toledo Blade.

the first time in over 10 years not give itself a raise.

William Anderson Cooks

Letter to the Editor: My father, David Bant, lives out on Indian Lake across from the old Indian Lake Party Store. He is fortunate enough not to have to spend all winter up here. I go to his house (or at least past it) each day to make sure everything is all right.

Usually this is fairly easy to do. Occasionally, however, especially after some significant snowfall, the amount of plow mounds to fill in the end of his driveway to the point that it is impassable. Here is the reason for this letter:

Someoneby with a plow on a pickup (I don't know who it is or I would thank them personally) has made a couple passes at the end of the driveway. This has cleared the really heavy snow and given me enough room to safely park my

vehicle out of the path of traffic. I would like to say thank you to this person for their effort and kindness, and to let them know I appreciate it.

Thank you, Jeff Bant Manistique

Dear Editor, On behalf of the U.P. Regional Blood Center I would like to thank Phyllis and the Amity Group for hosting a blood drive in the month of January. As a result of their efforts we collected an outstanding 61 units of blood.

Thank you for helping people in your Upper Peninsula communities. Sincerely, Sallie Coron Mobile Drive Coordinator U.P. Regional Blood Center Marquette

Only one letter per person, per month. Only one letter per person on a given topic. Letters should be as brief as possible. No statements of a personal or libelous nature. All letters must include the writer's full name, city and telephone number.



Obituaries

Frank X. Weber

Lifetime Manistique, Mich. resident, Frank X. Weber, 101, died Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007, at the home of his granddaughter, Darcy Weber.

He was born March 27, 1905 in Manistique Township, Mich., the son of Sebastian and Theresia (Schweiger) Weber and graduated from the Manistique High School, where he was a track star in the Class of 1923.

On Oct. 20, 1925, he married Gladys M. Chenord in Manistique. She preceded him in death on Oct. 17, 1984.

Frank was a member of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church of Manistique and a member of the Manistique Knights of Columbus Council No. 2026. He was formerly employed with the U. S. Forest Service and later with the Manistique Toot and Die. He was an avid deer hunter and cribbage player.

Survivors include four sons, Richard Weber, Gerald (Mary Alice) Weber, Gary Weber and Gregory (Denise) Weber of Manistique; two daughters, Phyllis (William) Biaggio of Manitowish, Wis., and Dolores (Hartman) of Garden; 33 grandchildren; 67 great grandchildren; 31 great great grandchildren; brother, Matthew (Frances) Weber of Manistique; sister, Grace Gonyea of Denver, CO and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife and parents he was preceded in death by his brothers: George, Sebastian, Jacob and Henry Weber; sisters: Minnie Krammin, Anna Ekstrom Blandford, Lena Landwehr, Josephine Schnurer, Agnes Perry, Frances Davis, Sister Ethel Weber and Martha Weber; two grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

Visitation was held Wednesday, Feb. 21, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 22, at St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistique with Father Glenn Theoret officiating. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique.

Memorials may be directed to the St. Francis de Sales School Tuition Fund, 210 Lake Street, Manistique, MI 49854. Online condolences can be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com



Jeffrey Phillips

Jeffrey "Tucker" Phillips, 47, of Rifle, Colo., passed away unexpectedly Saturday, Feb. 17, in Parachute, Colo.

He was born March 5, 1959, in Manistique, Mich., the son of Jack and Lois Phillips. He graduated from Manistique High School with the class of 1977.

In May 1987, he married the former Linda Turek in Manistique. They moved to Rifle in 1981 and later divorced.

In 2002, he visited the big island of Hawaii and fell in love with it. Two years later, he built a home near Pahoa, Hawaii and divided his time between there and Rifle.

He was a devoted and proud father to his son, Josh. Jeff made his living as a custom carpenter and was well known and respected for his talent and excellent craftsmanship. His interests included spending time with his son, working with wood, spending time going to yard sales looking for the "deal of the day", antiques, spending time at the beach and enjoying life. He was a member of B.P.O.E and the Moose Lodge.

Survivors include: his son, Joshua Paul Phillips; mother and stepfather, Lois Phillips and Jerry Allen; brother, Jamie Phillips; sister, Janine (Don) Tyrrell; three step-sisters, Linda Yates, Diane Wood and Beverly Sabing; grandmothers, Emily Phillips; niece, nephews and cousins; ex-wife, Linda Ammerman; and special friend Valerie Simmons.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by a brother, Jon Paul Phillips and stepbrother, Mark Allen.

A potluck "Hawaiian" theme celebration of Jeff's life will be held on Sunday, March 11, beginning at noon at the Rifle Elks Lodge, 501 W. 5th St., Rifle, CO 81650.

In lieu of flowers, donations to an educational fund for Jeff's son, Joshua Paul Phillips, can be made via mail or in person to: Colorado State Employees Credit Union, 202 Main St., Grand Junction, CO 81501 Please make payable to: Joshua Paul Phillips. Rifle Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.



William L. Hentschell, Sr.

William L. Hentschell, Sr., 87, of Manistique, Mich., died Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007, at Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility in Manistique.

He was born April 24, 1919, in Minneapolis, Minn., the son of Rudolph and Sadie (Karnage) Hentschell. He attended St. Francis de Sales School and graduated from the Manistique High School in the Class of 1937. He continued his education at Western Michigan University.

On July 31, 1943, he married Ramona A. Gordon, the daughter of Congressman and Mrs. Thomas S. Gordon, in Chicago, Ill. She preceded him in death on July 17, 2002.

Bill served in the U. S. Army's 5th Armored Division during World War II. His division became General Patton's ghost division in France in August 1944 and was the first American division to enter Germany on Sept. 11, 1944. He received the Silver Star for gallantry in action while serving as an artillery forward observer and reconnaissance officer in France. He received the Purple Heart for wounds received from enemy artillery fire in the Scigfried Line on Sept. 17, 1944.

After working for Hallcraft Radio in Chicago and Mead Board Sales in Cincinnati, Bill returned to Manistique in 1950 where he was employed as a teller with the State Savings Bank and then as Personnel Director at the Manistique Pulp and Paper Company. In 1956 he became the local representative of the Equitable Life Assurance Company and 1962 he purchased the Savings Agency from the State Savings Bank. In 1969 he built the present agency building at 234 South Cedar Street and in 1986 sold the agency to his son, Bill.

He was a member of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church of Manistique, an honorary life member of the third degree Knights of Columbus Council No. 2026 and the fourth degree Knights of Columbus Donald E. Messier Assembly No. 502. He was a life member and past secretary of the Manistique Elks Lodge No. 632, Past Commander of the FDR American Legion Post No. 923 of Chicago and a member of the Manistique American Legion Post No. 83. He was a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 4420 and a life member and Past Commander of the Disabled American Veterans Chapter No. 26. He was a past president of the U.P. Independent Insurance Agents Association, past president of the Manistique Rotary Club and a former member of the Indian Lake Golf and Country Club.

Survivors include: his son, William (Diane) Hentschell, Jr. of Manistique; two daughters, Ramona "Kay" Hentschell of Birmingham, Mich. and Marie Krumrey of Northville, Mich.; two grandchildren, Kassandra Krumrey of Manistique and Dietmar Kirk (Erin) Krumrey of Mt. Pleasant, Mich.; two great-granddaughters, Klara Krumrey and Izabel Krumrey of Mt. Pleasant; brother, Robert Hentschell of Millington, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Theodore Hentschell in 2005.

Visitation was 5-7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique, with veterans memorial services at 6 p.m. and parish liturgical prayers at 7 p.m. A memorial mass was celebrated at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Manistique with Father Glenn Theoret officiating. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique.

Memorials may be directed to the Manistique Area Schools' Foundation, 100 N. Cedar Street, Manistique, MI 49854 or the St. Francis de Sales Education Foundation, 210 Lake Street, Manistique, MI 49854.

Online condolences can be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com

Students facing off at Skills USA competition

Some of the best career and technical students from across the Upper Peninsula will gather at Bay de Noc Community College this Friday, Feb. 23, to face off in the annual Skills USA competition. This year's program will begin at 9:15 a.m., with registration in the student cafeteria, and conclude with awards at 3 p.m. Competitions will be held in automotive, job skills, computer maintenance, machine tool, PR bulletin board, tech drafting-CAD, and welding. The Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District coordinates the event. Last year, 143 students from across the U.P. took part, with Bay College awarding five \$500 scholarships to students who placed first in their categories.



Karen A. Hoholik

On Thursday, Feb. 15, 2007, Karen A. Hoholik, 53, of Manistique, Mich., entered into everlasting life after courageously fighting brain cancer for the last 21 months.

She was born April 16, 1953, in Manistique, the daughter of George and Gladys (Demars) Barton, graduated from the Manistique High School in the Class of 1971 and was a lifetime resident of Manistique.

On Oct. 2, 1971, she married Paul R. Hoholik in Manistique. Karen was vice-president of Paul's Plumbing and Appliance in Manistique since 1993. She was employed at the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital from 1969 until 1992 and also owned and operated the Sears Catalog Merchant Store from 1983 until 1993.

She was a member of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church of Manistique, the Martha Mary Circle and the U.P. Quilters. She loved spending time at their camp on the Manistique River and enjoyed fishing, reading, crocheting and quilting. She loved her children and grandchildren and her dog, Orion.

Survivors include: her husband, Paul of Manistique; three sons, Daniel (Nichole) Hoholik, George (Susanne) Hoholik and Paul (Amber) Hoholik of Manistique; four grandchildren, Colton, Joey, Kyler and Kaylee; parents, George and Gladys Barton of Manistique; brother, Denis (Debbie) Barton of Murray, Ky.; and special sister-in-law, Anne Richey of Manistique.

Visitation was 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique, with parish liturgical prayers at 7 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 19, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Manistique with Father Glenn Theoret officiating. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique.

Memorials may be directed to Schoolcraft Memorial HomeCare and Hospice, 500 Main St., Manistique, MI 49854. Online condolences can be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com

Ancient painting technique to be taught at Bonifas

Bornie Park of Marquette will teach painting with beeswax and oil paints at a class called "Beginners Only! Encaustic Painting." Saturday, March 3, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the William Bonifas Fine Arts Center in Escanaba.

Encaustic painting is a method of decoration that is dated from ancient Egypt. Among the most permanent of painting techniques, it was used to decorate mummy cases. "Everyone's a beginner at this," says Pasqua Warstler, education director for the Bonifas Center. "It's not your everyday medium. You don't get the chance to work in this medium often. And it's fascinating. It will be a lot of fun." Park's class will include a history of the method and samples of artwork, as well as demonstrations. Hands-on work will help students remember details, and each participant will produce a small painting.

The fee is \$26 for Bonifas members, \$32 for non-members, which includes materials. A minimum number of students must be registered by this Saturday, Feb. 24, to assure that the class takes place. For more information, or to register, call (906) 786-3833.

'Fireside chat's planned

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore has announced a series of "Fireside Chats" which will begin later this month and run into April.

A total of six presentations by Lakeshore staff are planned at the Manisting Falls Interpretive Center, located at 1505 Sand Point Road in Munising, across from the hospital. All programs run from 7 to 8 p.m. Snacks will be served.

The schedule: Tuesday, Feb. 27: "Who's Knocking at the Door?" A program about non-native species of the Great Lakes region, presented by Lora Looper, aquatic biologist.

Wednesday, March 7: "Restoration Activity at the Au Sable Light Station," presented by John Ochman, facility operations specialist.

Tuesday, March 13: "Environmental Leadership at Pictured Rocks," a discussion of the Lakeshore's nationally recognized Environmental Leadership program, presented by Facility Manager Chris Case. Elements covered will be the park's Environmental Management Program, and the Green Energy Parks initiative. Examples of solar power, alternative fuels, green purchasing, workplace toxin reduction and environmental best management practices will be highlighted.

Dougherty earns her CMU degree

Stephine Dougherty, daughter of Frank "Chum" Jr. and Janet Dougherty of Willis, Mich., and the granddaughter of former Manistique resident Gloria Dougherty and the late Frank Dougherty, of Belleville, Mich., graduated from Central Michigan University in December 2006, earning a bachelor's of applied arts degree.

She majored in apparel merchandise and design with a minor in advertising. She plans to pursue a career in the fashion industry with a focus in computer-aided design and product development. Prior to graduation she interned in New York and Ann Arbor, Mich.

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# Wine-tasting event takes place Saturday

Members of the GFWC Manistique Women's Club say there's still time to purchase tickets for this weekend's first-ever "Wine Tasting on the Upper Level," which takes place Saturday, Feb. 24, from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Elks Lodge. The event will raise money to help purchase a new community welcome and information sign, to be installed at the corner of US-2, Maple Street and Arbutus Avenue.

The afternoon will provide an opportunity to sample a variety of wines from Manistique's own Mackinaw Trail Winery, snack on cheeses, breads and crackers from Jack's SuperValu, and browse through exhibits from a variety of Upper Peninsula businesses, artists and crafters. There will also be several prize drawings.

Tickets are \$12 per person or \$20 per couple, and can be purchased in advance at Mackinaw Trail Winery, Suzy's Shadow Box, the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce, by calling Sherri Krause at 341-6701, or by contacting Rosemary Stollings in Garden at 644-6017.

# Utilities say low lake levels mean big bills

Two eastern Upper Peninsula utilities are warning customers about the impact low Lake Superior water levels will have on their bills in the months ahead. By their estimates, the costs of producing electricity — passed through to consumers — may be nearly \$5 million higher this year.

In a joint press release, issued last week by Edison Sault Electric Company and Cleveland Electric Cooperative, officials said the historic low levels on the largest Great Lake are having "an unwelcome effect" on customers.

According to the press release, the International Joint Commission is mandated to regulate lake levels, and follows stringent guidelines in allowing water to flow from Lake Superior to the lower Great Lakes. When Lake Superior experiences low levels, the commission mandates that a minimum-flow formula be followed.

The formula is designed to keep Lake Superior levels above their seasonal or historic low points as much as possible, while assuring that water levels on the lower lakes are adequate for Great Lakes shipping.

All other considerations, including the amount of water released from Lake Superior for hydro-power generation, are secondary.

The utilities said they are very dependent on having maximum water available for Edison Sault's hydro plant in Sault Ste. Marie.

"The combined 38,000 customers of these utilities paid \$2.9 million in higher bills in 2006, due solely to the ongoing decreased levels of Lake Superior," the press release stated.

"Severely reduced" flows allowed the plant to produce only 156 million kilowatt hours of electricity last year, compared to the 228 million kilowatt hours that would be generated under optimum conditions.

"The 72 million kilowatt hour difference had to be purchased from outside and much more expensive sources," the companies said.

The utilities note that the forecast for 2007 appears to be even worse, with Lake Superior levels at or below their historic all-time lows for most of the year.

If water releases from the lake continue at their current levels, the Edison plant may see its lowest production ever, dropping to 110 million kilowatt hours — less than half the amount that would be generated under the most favorable conditions.

The utilities said that lost potential production will have a "serious impact" on customer bills.

Using 2006 prices as a guide, customers of Edison and Cleveland may pay as much as \$4.8 million in higher electricity costs, solely because of the lake-level issue.

"This represents a 12 percent increase for the cost of power to the two utilities," the release said.

By state law, the increased cost of buying power from outside sources is passed directly through to customers, with no profits for the utility companies.

The press release also noted that rates for Cleveland and Edison customers will still be below the state and national averages.

According to the most recent information available, rates for Edison's residential customers are currently 20 percent below the Michigan average and 30 percent below the national average.

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# Don't kiss the cookbook



**Lois A. Corcoran**  
(Send your comments to cory@dsnet.us.)

They filed in unnoticed over the years, but now they're a force to be reckoned with. I refer to my regiment of cookbooks, from which I have yet to try a single recipe. So this week I'm taking the bull by the horns and weeding them out.

To tackle the colossal project, I established a few rules. For starters, I'm only keeping the ones with illustrations. As the saying goes, a picture is worth a thousand words. Or something to that effect. Besides, I need to know what my vittles should have looked like had I not screwed them up.

With the boring books gone, I'll flip through the remainder to see which have recipes I might be inclined to attempt. Chances are, I'll toss out the one with the gold-rimmed platter of Marinated Squid. Who besides Jacques Cousteau would swallow that without a fight?

Also getting booted are books with recipes whose names I can't pronounce. Like Beef Tenderloin au Poivre. My family refuses to eat foods that need subtitles and, frankly, I don't blame them.

I expect sentimentality to play a part in the task though. There's no way I'd part with my third-generation cookbooks. These have been around 50 years and have the splatters to prove it. You can kiss the cook all you want but I don't recommend her library.

In that vein, I continue to jot down the recipes I grew up with. This can be quite a challenge as mom abhors measuring, but I do it for posterity. Or, depending on calorie count, posterior.

I plan to keep books with CORN recipes in them, too. No, I don't mean maize. That stands for Clean Out Refrigerator Night. Some recipes provide substitutes and encourage creativity. An "if you don't have this, try that" kind of strategy. Trouble is, I never have this OR that. Or the other thing either, for that matter. Still, I make do. And it helps me use up spices that are older than thyme.

Because I hate to throw food, awhile back I hid a key ingredient in the fridge so no one would eat it. Yesterday I remembered and found it swimming in mold. Why they call it a "crisper," I'll never know.

It's just one more way I relate to Nixon's famous words: I am not a cook.

Or something to that effect.

# Latterman presents research

Robert Latterman of Manistique was one of several University of Wisconsin-East Claire graduate students who received awards from the Wisconsin School Psychologist Association. The awards were presented at the WSPA Spring Convention Feb. 8-9 in Stevens Point, Wis.

Latterman presented at the convention and received the Outstanding Poster Award.

His research examined how side-effect warnings influence teachers' attitudes toward ADHD medication and their willingness to recommend the medication.

Latterman said it was a great experience to answer questions and discuss his research with those at the conference.

A 2001 graduate of Manistique High School, Latterman received his bachelor's degree from St. Norbert College in De Pere, Wis., and earned his master's in education/school psychology from UW-Eau Claire last August. He is currently pursuing an educational leadership degree.

He is the son of Lori and Steve Latterman of Manistique.

**Births**

**LAMUTH** — Manistique residents, Don LaMuth and Lorena Hansen, are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Bryce Matthew LaMuth.

He was born on Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2007, in Milwaukee, Wis., weighing six pounds, 15 ounces. He was 19 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Glen and Donna Hansen of Gulliver, Mich., and Karol and Ken Miller of Plattville, Mo.

Paternal grandparents are Sally Weber, and Don and Sue LaMuth of Manistique.

**BERENDT** — Daniel and Kristin Berendt are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, Nicholas Robert.

Nicholas was born on Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2007, at St. Francis Hospital in Escanaba, Mich. He weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Robert and Diane Upton of Gulliver, Mich.

Paternal grandparents are Harold and Anita Berendt of Lena, Wis.

Paternal great grandmother is Alice Rouer of Oconto, Wis.

The family resides in Gulliver.

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Members of Boy Scout Troop 400 and Cub Scout Pack 402 observed Scout Sunday on Feb. 11 by serving as greeters at their charter organization, Zion Lutheran Church in Manistique. Front row, from left: Scouts Travis Kaye and Robbie Smith. Back row: Leaders Linda Mason and retired pastor Ingmar Levin, Scouts Billy Jenerow, Tanner Yurk and Trevor Blir. (Submitted photo)

# Annual Walk for Warmth event steps off this Saturday morning

Officials with the Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft Community Action Agency are reminding local residents that they are welcome to take part in this weekend's annual Walk for Warmth event, even if they have not picked up and filled out a pledge sheet.

The event, which raises money for the CAA's home heating assistance fund, takes place this Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Manistique Senior Citizens Center on Main Street. Registration is set to start at 9:30 a.m., while the short walk will begin at 10 a.m.

Pledge sheets are still available from the local CAA office, located on the second floor of the county courthouse on Walnut Street.

But CAA agent Jean Barber says even those who haven't collected pledges can still stop by on Saturday, make a donation to the heating fund, and participate in the walk.

As always, Barber says, individuals, groups, organizations and businesses are all encouraged to take part.

There are also several other ways to support the annual heating-fund campaign. Residents can purchase Walk for Warmth "boots" that are on sale at local service stations or visit the bake sale that will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Pamida.

For more information, contact Barber at 341-2452.

# Utter returns from Iraq

Army Pfc. Robert W. Utter has returned to the United States after being deployed to an overseas forward-operating location in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The mission objections of Operation Iraqi Freedom focus on force protection, peacekeeping, stabilization, security and counter-insurgency operations, as the Iraqi transitional governing bodies assume full sovereign powers to govern the country.

Members from all branches of the U.S. military and national forces are also assisting in rebuilding Iraq's economic and governmental infrastructure, and training and preparing Iraqi military and security forces to assume full authority and responsibility in the defending and preserving Iraq's sovereignty and independence as a democracy.

Utter, a petroleum supply specialist with two years of military service, is assigned to the 20th Support Battalion, 2nd Infantry Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Killeen, Texas.

A 2002 graduate of Manistique High School, he is the son of William Utter and Nancy Ine of Manistique.

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### Senior Center

On Jan. 9, 2007, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services announced the elimination of the 2007 late enrollment penalty for any beneficiary eligible for the low income subsidy for a Part D plan even if the beneficiary failed to sign up by the program's initial deadline. Under this initiative, beneficiaries eligible for the low-income subsidy can enroll in a Medicare prescription drug plan with no penalty through Dec. 31, 2007.

The reason for the extension, they are saying there are thousands of seniors who qualify, but haven't enrolled. If you were unsure whether you qualify, I would encourage you to contact Jeani Dalgaard at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital. She has been fantastic about working with the Center to find those who need to do so. Sure, not every senior will qualify. If after contacting Jeani, you may find that you don't qualify, but at least you can be rest assured. Give her a telephone call at 341-3238.

Why am I sending you Jeani's way? Jeani has taken several classes on the Part D Program and has a lot more knowledge on this particular program than I do. Thanks Jeani, for giving the Center your lending hand.

I recently received an email, which I felt was worth sharing. Here goes:

Make sure your car registration has been signed on the back to avoid paying a \$125 fine if you're ever pulled over for anything. This is a Michigan State legislation that has recently been put into effect. Interestingly, isn't it?

Have you ever taken the time to visit those wonderful people that are residing in our local nursing home? Just a few minutes of chatting can make them feel like they are still connected to the outside world.

Medicare is always looking for volunteers. For the month of February they have some exciting projects lined up in which volunteers would be

appreciated. After receiving my first calendar of activities I was amazed at how much they have going on.

Some of these activities include nail polishing, family feud, trivia games, and balloon volleyball.

They also participate in baking. Many of you attend the volunteer luncheon they have once a year. Did you realize some of your chefs are Medicare residents?

I bet you didn't know the residents of Medicare are the ones that actually prepare your newsletter from the Center for mailing. Yes, they take on the project of folding and taping our monthly newsletters.

Activity Coordinator, Pam Beaudre takes the time to pick up and deliver our newsletter back to the Center when they are completed. We then sort them into areas for mailing.

Residents also ride Public Transit to the Center on Tuesdays, for our state run bingo.

For Valentines Day they had a party and a couple's dinner.

On Feb. 27, if you visit the nursing home you will get a chance to see the "50s party" being planned. There is a lot of planning going into this special day. On the 28th they will be taking some of the residents to the casino.

Can you see why they would need volunteers? Hats off to each and every employee that works there. They do a fabulous job! If you think you might be able to give a half hour of your time or more (more would be appreciated), give Pam Beaudre a telephone call at 341-6921.

As always, I encourage people to volunteer at the Center. I have also been asked at the grocery store, gas station, etc. if I need volunteers. With this, I have never had an actual full listing of volunteers. For those that are interested in becoming a volunteer at the Center we now have a volunteer registration form. Since this is new, please drop by even if you have volunteered in the past, and fill this form out. This

### By Connie Frenette

form will allow us to know more about you and what interests you have for volunteering. We will be using these forms in the future to contact workers. Every volunteer, may it be one half hour, or all day, you are very important to us!

We also like to keep track of our volunteers. If you volunteer at the Center for any reason, we ask that you sign the clipboard in the office.

Memorial monetary donations have been received at the Center in memory of:

- Bernice Stapleton, Perry Downing, and Joe Vertz from Mary Sedan
- Hazel Rubick from Marty Fuller
- Maria Brock from Tom and Marsha Klarich, Pat and Bonnie Stapleton, Don and Shirley Thomas, George and Sandy Klarich, Duke Klarich, and Bob and Marge Hale
- Harold Jewett and Hazel Rubick from George and Carol Hough

Maintenance and support donations were received from Bill and Ruth Robere, Velda and Lyle Wheatley, Judy and Rex Slingsby and Pauline Cleary.

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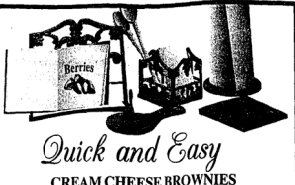
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### Quick and Easy CREAM CHEESE BROWNIES

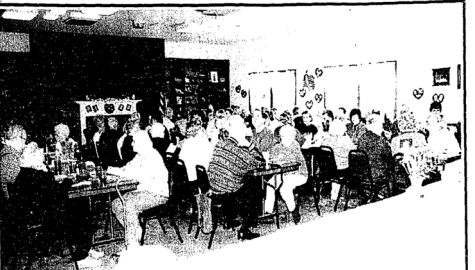
- CHEESE LAYER**
- 1 block of cream cheese, softened (4 oz)
  - 1 large egg
  - 1/2 cup sugar
  - 2 T flour
  - 1/2 cup maraschino cherries, chopped and drained
- BROWNIE LAYER**
- 2 large eggs
  - 1 cup sugar
  - 3/4 cup flour
  - 1/2 cup walnuts, chopped
  - 1/8 tsp salt
- CHOCOLATE COFFEE ICING**
- 1 1/3 cups confection sugar
  - 1/3 cup cocoa
  - 3 T butter or margarine, softened
  - 1 1/2 T strong coffee, prepared hot or hot water

**Cheese layer:** beat cream cheese and egg in medium bowl until smooth. Combine sugar and flour in small bowl. Add to cream cheese mixture, 2 tablespoons at a time while beating until smooth. Add cherries and stir. Set aside.

**Brownie layer:** beat eggs in separate bowl until frothy. Add next four ingredients and stir.

**Heat and stir:** butter and cocoa in small heavy saucepan on the lowest heat until smooth. Add to egg mixture. Stir well. Spread about 2/3 of brownie mixture evenly in greased 9x9 pan. Spoon mounds of cream cheese mixture, using 1 tablespoon for each, over brownie layer. Spoon remaining brownie mixture in dabs, using 1/2 teaspoon for each, over top. Mixtures will look patchy in pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes. Edges will pull away from side of pan. Leave in pan on wire rack until cooled completely.

**Chocolate coffee icing:** beat all four ingredients in small bowl until smooth, adding more coffee or sugar as necessary until spreading consistency. Spread over brownie layer and cut.



### Mid-winter tradition continues at Senior Center

Above: a patient crowd waits for the chefs to finish their work at last week's annual Manistique Senior Center Hot Dog Feast. Right: Chelsy Ray Nelson, Perry Wise and West Turan work the grill. The always-popular event was more popular than ever this year. According to Senior Center Director Connie Frenette, they served 102 people — up from 64 last year. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)



The Michigan Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking (MCRUD) Youth Workgroup at Manistique High School recently kicked off a new program to honor adults in the community who serve as good role models for young people. The project traces its roots back to the 2000 survey of positive "developmental assets" that are available for area students. At that time, the study pointed to a low number of adult role models. Current MCRUD members wanted to recognize those adults who do create positive influences in the life of children — caring, positive people who demonstrate responsible behavior. Workgroup members selected Tooter Barton, prevention specialist with the LMAS District Health Department, as their very first "Role Model of the Month." Front row, from left: MCRUD members Chelsy Wright and Jackie Powers. Back row: Workgroup coordinator Kris Demers, Lnea Yurk, Tooter Barton, Amanda Olson, Megan Demers. Not pictured: Workgroup member Ingrid Olson. (Submitted photo)

### Vande Vusse to be guest speaker for Conservation District's annual dinner

Richard Vande Vusse will be the guest speaker at the Schoolcraft Conservation District's annual dinner, to be held in March.

Vande Vusse is the president and founder of VanAire and Ag Solutions of Gladstone. VanAire Inc., named in the 2005 "Michigan Top 50 Companies to Watch," employs approximately 70 people. The company manufactures components for automating industrial valves, chutes for cement trucks, and wastewater treatment equipment for the animal shelter and food-processing industry.

Ag Solutions Inc. is Michigan's first biodiesel fuel refinery. It began operation with six employees in November 2006. The Ag Solutions plant, and Upper Peninsula Chapter 16 of the State Employee Retirees Association will meet Monday, March 5, at 1:30 p.m., in the conference room of the state

office building in Escanaba. All members and their guests are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

The Conservation District's annual dinner and meeting will take place Saturday, March 17, at Ann Marie's Family Dining in Manistique. Registration will begin at 4:30 p.m., with dinner served at 5 p.m.

The meeting is open to the public. The cost is \$15.

For more information, stop by the Conservation District office located on the second

floor of the Schoolcraft County Courthouse or call the office at 341-8215.

### NMU posts dean's list

Northern Michigan University has announced the names of students who made the dean's list for the fall semester. A number of students from the local area earned places on the list.

Making the list with grade point averages of 4.0 were: Jamie Lucas of Garden; Jennifer Bosanic, Amy Hickey and Denise McClelland of Manistique.

Making the list with grade point averages of 3.25 to 3.99 were: Connie Tuominen-

### Dean's list

Nicholas William Reynolds of Manistique was named to the fall semester dean's list at Southern Illinois University. Reynolds, a senior, earned a 4.0 (straight A) grade point average.

The university is located in Carbondale, Ill.

### Six students named to Jack Reque honor roll

The Jack Reque Alternative High School has announced its honor roll for the second marking period, which ended Jan. 19. Six students made the list, which required them to maintain a B average or better for the marking period.

Making the honor roll were:

Melissa Durkin, Kayla Linderoth, Kevin Nicholson, Bradley Senterfield, Teasa Senterfield and Jessica Simpson.

The alternative education teaching staff includes Trina Neaudu and lead teacher Kathy Seaman.

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Pastor: Charles Jones, 612 Jackson Ave., 241-8254, Sunday 10 am and 11 am, Wednesday 7 pm, Bible Study 7:00 pm, 8:00 pm, 9:00 pm.
- AVETTE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
Pastor: Len Hove, Sunday Service 10:30 am, Sunday School 9:45 am, 10:00 am, 10:15 am, 10:30 am, 10:45 am, 11 am, 11:15 am, 11:30 am, 11:45 am, 12:00 pm, 12:15 pm, 12:30 pm, 12:45 pm, 1:00 pm, 1:15 pm, 1:30 pm, 1:45 pm, 2:00 pm, 2:15 pm, 2:30 pm, 2:45 pm, 3:00 pm, 3:15 pm, 3:30 pm, 3:45 pm, 4:00 pm, 4:15 pm, 4:30 pm, 4:45 pm, 5:00 pm, 5:15 pm, 5:30 pm, 5:45 pm, 6:00 pm, 6:15 pm, 6:30 pm, 6:45 pm, 7:00 pm, 7:15 pm, 7:30 pm, 7:45 pm, 8:00 pm, 8:15 pm, 8:30 pm, 8:45 pm, 9:00 pm, 9:15 pm, 9:30 pm, 9:45 pm, 10:00 pm, 10:15 pm, 10:30 pm, 10:45 pm, 11:00 pm, 11:15 pm, 11:30 pm, 11:45 pm, 12:00 pm, 12:15 pm, 12:30 pm, 12:45 pm, 1:00 pm, 1:15 pm, 1:30 pm, 1:45 pm, 2:00 pm, 2:15 pm, 2:30 pm, 2:45 pm, 3:00 pm, 3:15 pm, 3:30 pm, 3:45 pm, 4:00 pm, 4:15 pm, 4:30 pm, 4:45 pm, 5:00 pm, 5:15 pm, 5:30 pm, 5:45 pm, 6:00 pm, 6:15 pm, 6:30 pm, 6:45 pm, 7:00 pm, 7:15 pm, 7:30 pm, 7:45 pm, 8:00 pm, 8:15 pm, 8:30 pm, 8:45 pm, 9:00 pm, 9:15 pm, 9:30 pm, 9:45 pm, 10:00 pm, 10:15 pm, 10:30 pm, 10:45 pm, 11:00 pm, 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  - 5 Attires
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  - 17 Teacher's advice
  - 18 Cut
  - 19 Appearance
  - 20 Port on Lake Ontario
  - 22 Pack rats
  - 24 Fascot, for short
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  - 26 Fathered
  - 29 Weeping
  - 30 Jagged
  - 34 Old French coins
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- DOWN**
- 1 Move quickly
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  - 16 Happening
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  - 27 Brilliant success
  - 28 Fertilizer
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  - 33 Organic
  - 34 Compound
  - 35 Wife: abbr.
  - 36 English letters
  - 37 Courtyard
  - 38 Intuition
  - 42 Sorrow
  - 43 Satirical work
  - 44 Law suit
  - 47 Narrow inlet
  - 48 Remains
  - 49 angry
  - 50 Leading
  - 51 Red item
  - 52 Encourage
  - 53 Latvian
  - 54 Antony's love, for short
  - 55 Object that can become flat
  - 56 Wings
  - 57 Dull
  - 60 purchases
  - 61 theater sign

### SUDOKU

Sudoku requires no arithmetic skills. The object of the game is to fill all the blank squares with the correct numbers.

Each row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order. Each column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order. Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

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		4	1	2	7			
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### HOROSCOPES

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) A business deal goes better than to Nov. 21. It's unlike truly expected. Socially, you're to be relevant. You get about quite about anything you 22 to Jan. 19) Stay out new plan. You're cer-BIRTHDAYS: Michael happily this week. Take have to say. Don't worry of the fray this week on tainly up to the chal-Bolton, Feb. 26; time to catch your You can speak your home front. Others lengel breath over the week- mind factually and still will strive mightily to PISCES (Feb. 19 to 27) Mario Andreotti, get your your access, get you involved! How March 20) Friends are TAGITARIUS Now, ever, this really has making unfair (Feb. 28; Tim Daly, and. MAY 20) In defending 22 to Dec. 21) Finan- nothing to do with you, mands on your time. March 1: Jon Bon friend, don't get into cal matters are la- no. Joy, March 2; Jessica, 2; fight with your mate. However, do-alize it. You don't have to at Biel, March 3; Bobby Sometimes, you're too mestic matters are an- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20) tend every party of Womack, March 4. involved in other prob- other story. By week's to Feb. 19) Early in the event.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) A minor day in your plans brings you off track. However, things clear up by mid-week. Later, travel and romance go hand-in-hand. **CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Take some time this week to recon-nect with your mate. Some quiet, alone time is just what you both need. This weekend, locate some chores you've been procrastinat- ing on. **LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) Look for ways to improve yourself. Believe it or not, it can be done. Ultimately, this leads to your success. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) You're tempted to give in to stress. This isn't good for you emotionally or physically. If need be, don't be afraid to ask for help. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You've been somewhat oblivious to a close friend's ploy for attention. Express interest will tell you that you're right to ignore this. You don't need to be this



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### 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 it 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?

Today's Category: Words That Mean "HAPPY" or "SAD"

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### DDA

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\$22,000 from the state, \$22,000 from the DDA. That amount was increased to \$30,000 at the urging of Aldrich and several DDA members, to allow for "contingencies" that might arise along the way.

Assuming the City Council also approves the grant application and it is submitted to the state, they have a very good chance of receiving the money, Schomin said.

He told that DDA that he has met several times with officials in Lansing, and, "right now, Manistique is very, very high on the list for major improvements, especially to the boat launch area."

A driving factor behind the state's interest is the fact that MANISQUE is the only major

launch site and harbor of refuge along nearly 100 miles of northern Lake Michigan shoreline, between Nautinaway and the Garden Peninsula.

One thing nobody knows right now is how much it would cost to complete projects identified in the master plan.

Board member Rick Demers asked what kind of price tag they might be looking at.

"Would it be a million dollars?" he asked.

Schomin said it was too early to answer that question.

"First you need to know what you want and what it will cost. That's what the study will tell you," he said. "Once you know that, then you get in line for funding."

He said the study would provide the city with all the information necessary to apply for construction money from the state and other sources.

The ability of the DDA or city to match a future construc-

### MAS Board

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agreed to put the Lincoln Elementary property on Deer Street up for sale by bids, seeking a minimum price of \$100,000.

Mudge said the parcel has been appraised at \$100,000 with the 1931 building, \$90,000 without it.

Forwarding the recommendation of the building and grounds committee, she said they should attempt to sell the building and property now, with the stipulation that any potential new owner could not move in until 60 days after the new school opens later this year, giving district staff time to remove everything.

If the bid process is not successful, Mudge said, the board would revisit the issue and decide on a different course of action.

During a building project update, Mudge, Timothy Kraft of the Wolgast Corporation and Phil Niemi of Integrated Designs Inc. all said the new school construction is proceeding well, and the facility is still on track to open by the end of the year.

"We're still shooting for our target date," Kraft said. "Construction is progressing nicely and everything looks great."

Projects currently underway or coming up soon include construction of interior walls, installation of electric conduit and panels, duct work, the building sprinkler system, and "detail work" on the roof.

The project officials also

discussed pictures Markham had taken showing posted "Danger" signs that warn of unstable walls. Niemi said that was only in areas where the roof had not yet been installed.

The officials noted that there are many areas like that at the construction site, unsafe for local residents to "wander," and said that was the reason the property was considered a "No Trespassing" area.

MAS Board

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reviewed concerns about the masonry work, which had been raised by local resident Peter Markham.

Specifically, Markham had contacted Mudge and asked about fractures in the vertical masonry joints, which he suggested were caused by laying block in below-freezing temperatures.

Markham had provided the district with photographs to document his concerns, including pictures of places where he had been able to pass strips of computer paper all the way into the joints.

Niemi said they had looked into the issue and found some fractures at the joints, but said there was no cause for concern, calling the mortar crumbling "more cosmetic in nature than structural."

He said masonry contractor Olsen and Olsen will go back and fill joints where needed and will sand off mortar burrs where necessary.

Niemi also reminded the board that the concrete block will not be visible to the public, since it will be covered with insulation and veneer.

Kraft said some of the problems may have arisen because Olsen and Olsen worked from inside, without being able to see the exterior of the joints.

He also discussed the vertical steel reinforcing in the walls, and said, "the structural integrity of the wall is not in question. It's a very stable wall."

tion grant has been a source of concern since the projects were first discussed.

Even the amount of match needed is in question, since the state changed its funding formula, Schomin said.

Previously, marina improvements required a 50 percent local contribution, while the match for boat launch projects was 25 percent — both substantial amounts for projects that would likely stretch into seven figures.

"They found that some communities could afford more but others would never be able to afford it," Schomin explained.

That led to a new system, where the state reviews a municipality's financial audit, makes a determination on their ability to pay, and reaches a decision on the funding level.

Schomin said it's unknown how that system would work in Manistique's case.

Board members agreed that

their concern now is completing the master plan, something that has to be done before other questions can be answered.

After that, it would likely take several years for a construction project to receive funding and be carried out.

Schomin predicted that the DDA would not see any construction money, or need to match it, until 2008 at the earliest — and possibly not until 2009 or 2010.

"Typically, these things take four to five years from engineering to construction," he said.

In other business ...

- discussed the progress of a DDA committee studying another long-range goal: possible construction of a historic or Great Lakes-themed museum in Manistique. The current discussions are focusing on a project that would encompass Upper Peninsula maritime, Logging and Native American history. Michigan State University Extension Director Dave Andersen said he will set up a meeting between committee members and MSU officials who can provide information on how to proceed with a feasibility study and other preliminary work;
- referred to the finance committee, a much-discussed DDA contribution to the upcoming Range Street infrastructure project. The project is being funded by a \$508,000 Community Development Block Grant and a \$225,000 local match. Aldrich said they would like the DDA to provide a total of \$170,000; \$55,000

toward the match in this fiscal year and the next year, which begins July 1, and \$30,000 in each fiscal year for sidewalk work in the project area;

- learned from Aldrich that nine area businesses are still interested in the facade-improvement grant program offered by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. She said the businesses are developing their plans and getting estimates. If the city applies for the grant this spring and receives it, approved businesses could receive 50 percent of the cost of exterior upgrades. The board set up a committee to study the question of DDA participation, which could see the authority contribute toward the business owners' share of the costs, or perhaps establish a separate facade program. The committee will have a recommendation at the next meeting;
- approved construction of the new welcome and information sign, to be installed at the corner of US-2, Maple Street and Artbus Avenue. The \$6,325 project, which has already received approval from the Michigan Department of Transportation, also needs approval from the City Council and the city's Planning and Zoning Commission. The DDA will fund whatever portion of the project is not raised through local contributions. The GFWC Manistique Women's Club is holding a wine-tasting fund-raiser for the sign this Saturday, Feb. 24, from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Elks Lodge.

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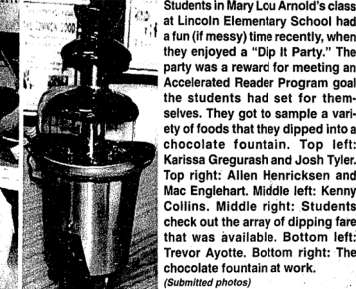
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Students in Mary Lou Arnold's class at Lincoln Elementary School had a fun (if messy) time recently, when they enjoyed a "Dip It Party." The party was a reward for meeting an Accelerated Reader Program goal the students had set for themselves. They got to sample a variety of foods that they dipped into a chocolate fountain. Top left: Karissa Gregurash and Josh Tyler. Top right: Allen Henriksen and Mac Englehart. Middle left: Kenny Collins. Middle right: Students check out the array of dipping fare that was available. Bottom left: Trevor Ayotte. Bottom right: The chocolate fountain at work. (Submitted photos)

**DNR training**  
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classes about state hunting and fishing laws, snowmobile operation, off-road vehicles, watercraft, and wildlife and fish identification.

At the end of the course, they have 936 hours of training. This exceeds the minimum 562 hours of training mandated by MCOLS for the basic police academy.

Recruits are required to pass all exams and testing with a score of 80 percent or higher. A 15 percent failure/dropout rate is the norm. Instruction at the academy is provided by fellow conservation officers and by state police troopers and other experts in a variety of fields.

"The Michigan State Police allow us to hold our program at their facility, and it has strengthened our relationship with fellow law enforcement officers," Chief Alan Marble said. "This rapport creates a more effective law enforcement network for the entire state."

Upon successful completion

of the academy, candidates move into a field training phase where they will work with senior conservation officers for 18 weeks, receiving continual guidance and evaluation. This additional on-the-job training, in locations near their permanently assigned district, helps officers learn their areas and become familiar with local residents and issues of importance.

The field training phase consists of four separate training steps, each lasting for approximately six to eight weeks. Between each training step the probationary officers are brought together for one week of specialized training in various subjects such as marine enforcement, ORV enforcement, commercial fish enforcement, and so on.

The probationary officers are also expected to pass a training scenario and written exam at the end of each step. The degree of difficulty of the scenarios and written exams increases at the end of each

step. On the final step, the probationary officers are required to work at least once each week with their designated field supervisors in order to ensure conformance with department policies and knowledge of natural resource and criminal laws.

New officers are on a probationary status for exactly one year from the day in which they first entered the training academy.

"Not everyone makes it," Marble said. "It's a challenging program, mentally and physically, and it needs to be. Conservation officers have a difficult, dangerous job, and

we're working to ensure that they are prepared for the job when they enter the field. Our academy staff develops each individual's personal strength, and also brings the group together as a team. It is an awe-inspiring environment, and collective effort."

The primary goal of the academy is to turn out Michigan Conservation Officers which exemplify professionalism, integrity and dedication to the people of the state of Michigan. It is their job to ensure the safety of all citizens, and protect the state's natural resources for current and future generations.

**MAS Board**

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Later in the evening, during public comment, Markham asked several other questions about the building project.

When he asked if the lower walls on the north side of the building have steel reinforcing, Kraft and Niemi said they did.

Markham then asked about the advisability of laying block in freezing conditions — something that requires a number of special steps, such as heating of materials and an enclosed work area to prevent mortar expansion and bonding problems, according to the Portland Cement Association.

Kraft said he was unaware of block being laid in sub-freezing weather, and also said that the mortar mix included an "accelerator" to reduce drying and setting time.

Finally, Markham asked whether the current grading on the east side of the building site was adequate to drain storm water toward the north retention basin.

Niemi said the water would drain to the basin, and his visual impressions otherwise

were the result of "seeing an unfinished site."

In another building matter, the board approved a bid of \$20,355.48 from Cable Constructors Inc. of Iron Mountain to provide a fiber optic link between the middle and high school building and the new elementary school. The bid was the only one received.

Technology Director Mary Hook said the project includes running the fiber optic line on existing utility poles. They originally considered running the line underground, but that would have been cost-prohibitive.

Hook said they hope to have 72 percent of the project cost paid for with money from the Universal Service Fund, which raises revenue for American school districts through a line item on home phone bills. Through the fund, MAS is reimbursed for 70 to 80 percent of its long distance and elementary school Internet connection costs.

The district currently pays \$4,100 a year to connect the elementary schools with a T1 data line. They receive \$3,600 of that back through the Universal Service Fund.

Hook said eliminating the bills for a T1 connection will

be just one of the benefits of the new fiber optic system. It will also allow all records and other data to be maintained centrally at the middle and high school, and will also make it possible to monitor the new building's operations, such as the heating and cooling systems, from the central site.

During her report, Hook also discussed other technology planned for the new building, including the large data screens that will be available in every room. Replacing the traditional television sets, the new screens will enable all students to see material the teacher wants to show them, including sections of written material, videos, hands-on demonstrations and so forth.

Hook said she is in the process of meeting with elementary teachers to discuss the new school technology.

Lockwood said he has also been working with teachers to finalize specifications for building furnishings and playground equipment, both of which should be ready to bid out by mid-March.

The board also carried out one final piece of building-related business, voting unanimously to add the name of former board member Robert Hill to the plaque that will eventually be mounted on the new school.

In keeping with tradition, Mudge said, the plaque will bear the names of the board members who were serving at the time the construction board issue was approved, as well as the names of the superintendent, construction management and architectural firms.

She suggested that Hill's name also be included, since he was serving on the board at the time the project was announced and the decision made to put the bond issue before voters.

Hill died in August 2005, three months before the bond issue election.

In other business...

• held an executive session to begin Mudge's annual evaluation. Board President Steve Latterman said Tuesday that the process was not completed during that session and will continue at a special meeting later this week. That meet-

ing will be held this Sunday, Feb. 25, at 6 p.m., in the multi-purpose room of the administration building.

• heard a report from Mudge on the ongoing mediation process with DEM Architects and Associates over the A.F. Hall Stadium project. Mudge said lawyers from both sides have filed position statements, which are being reviewed, and they hope to set up a mediation meeting soon;

• agreed that the board should continue its year-long discussion of the possible use of wind power at the new elementary school by forming a committee to investigate the issue. It was agreed that the building and grounds committee could fulfill that function, and that several other members, including Maintenance Supervisor Randy Watchorn, should be included;

• heard a report from Mudge on Gov. Jennifer Granholm's State of the State address. She said she was "elated" to hear Granholm's pledge not to institute a mid-year cut in school funding. She also highlighted several other portions of the speech, including a plan for

all-day preschool programs for at-risk students, an increase in the "dropout age" from 16 to 18, an emphasis on shared services between school districts and ISDs, and a "middle college" program, in which students would attend school five years, graduating with a high school diploma and a technical degree. The Delta Schoolcraft ISD is one of five ISDs in the state to receive a grant to pilot-test the program;

• discussed the \$2.3 million Safe Schools grant received by the district last year. Mudge said the grant will bring \$13,000 to MAS for such security items as locks and cameras, and another \$12,000 to develop security and emergency plans;

• held a second reading and approved a number of new policies provided by NEOLA, the district's policy subscription service. One policy dealing with "student inter-

rogation" was tabled, so it could be revised to draw a distinction between law enforcement interrogations and questioning by officials from human services agencies.

**Lansing hearing set**

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality will hold a public hearing in Lansing on a proposed decision to approve a mining permit to the Kennecott Eagle Minerals Company to conduct nickel mining operations in the Upper Peninsula. The hearing will be Monday, March 12, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m., at the Lansing Center.

Kennecott's highly-controversial Eagle Project Mine proposes to produce nickel, copper and other metals from a small but rich nickel sulfide deposit located about 25 miles northwest of Marquette.

In a Feb. 16 press release, the DEQ said the company "would use underground mining methods that are designed to avoid impacts to the nearby Salmon Trout River or adjacent lands."

The entrance to the mine and associated surface facilities, would be at a remote upland location, and the ore would be transported by truck and rail to a processing site in Ontario. Kennecott proposes to backfill the mined-out areas with waste rock, gravel and cement and reclaim the entire area to its original condition at the conclusion of mining.

The proposed mining project is the first to be subject to Michigan's new nonferrous metallic mineral mining rules,

enacted in December 2004. The rules, which the DEQ will say are among the most stringent in the nation, were drafted by a stakeholder work group led by the department.

The DEQ has already scheduled a public hearing in Marquette on March 6, 7, and 8 at Northern Michigan University's Don H. Bottom University Center. The additional hearing in Lansing will allow further comment and review of the technical merits of Kennecott's application.

The DEQ made the proposed decision to grant the permit Jan. 9, following review of Kennecott's application by a team made up of environmental and natural resource specialists from the DEQ, Department of Natural Resources and wildlife contractors.

The final decision to grant or deny the permit, which the DEQ expects to make later this year, will take into account all additional comments and recommendations received.

Written comments on the proposed permit will be accepted through April 5. They should be sent to: Steven Wilson, Office of Geological Survey, P. O. Box 30256, Lansing, MI 48909-7756; or by e-mail to wilsonse@michigan.gov. Include "Kennecott Eagle Project comments" on the subject line of the e-mail.

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Two Manistique High School wrestlers medaled at last weekend's U.P. Finals in Marquette. Bill Wood was crowned the U.P. heavyweight champ and Sammy Jenerou took fourth place at 103 pounds. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

## Wood wins U.P. title; Jenerou takes fourth

Manistique High School wrestlers earned two medals at last weekend's U.P. Finals in Marquette — the last separate championship event to be held in the Upper Peninsula.

Bill Wood wrapped up his high school wrestling career with a heavyweight title, while Sammy Jenerou finished the tournament in fourth place — only the second time in 40 years that a female medaled at the U.P. Finals.

Altogether, the Emeralds took nine wrestlers to the meet. Coach Everett Wood said they saw good effort and got solid performances from Conrad Jewett, Tim Marks and Ashley Mattson, though all were eliminated on the first day.

The coach said they gained valuable experience for next year's tournament trail, when U.P. wrestlers will head downstate to compete in the new unified finals format.

Alex Rubick, Ryan Peterson, Sammy Jenerou, Mike Jenerou, Pat McDonald and Bill Wood all made it through Friday's competition to wrestle again on Saturday.

Rubick, McDonald and Mike Jenerou did well, but were all ousted from the tournament in the wrestle-back.

Rubick lost a hard-fought 7-4 decision to Steve Castello of Marquette.

Mike Jenerou lost 10-8 in a close match with Tristan Kang of Escanaba.

Battling a head cold as well as his opponent, McDonald was pinned by Andrew Keeney of Sault Ste. Marie.

Sammy Jenerou got to the championship semi-finals unbeaten.

On Saturday she faced Jay Grabowski of Escanaba, who controlled the match from the start and won by pin at the 3:11 mark.

"Some wrestlers would have folded their tents at that point, but not Sammy," coach Wood said.

Jenerou came back in the next match with pin of Munising's Bill MacArthur, moving her into the medal round, where she earned her fourth-place medal.

Bill Wood received the tournament's number-one seed on the strength of his undefeated regular-season record, and he got started immediately on Friday with a pin of McNominnee's Tom Gruber in 45 seconds.

Wood wrapped up the day by pinning Paul Kropp of Newberry in 1:09.

On Saturday, Wood threw a shock into the Emerald coaches and fans during his opening bout against Nick Wollum of Iron Mountain.

"Before anyone was awake, he was behind 5-0," said his coach and father.

But the match was far from finished.

In the second period, Wood got a takedown to cut the gap to 5-2.

With less than 20 seconds left in the third period, he got

the pairings for upcoming district basketball tournaments have been announced.

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The winners of the first two games will face off for the district crown Friday, March 9, at 7 p.m.

In Class D play, the Big Bay

an escape to make it 5-3, and with only 10 seconds remaining, scored a takedown to secure a 5-5 tie and overtime.

Just 20 seconds into the extra period, Wood got another takedown and the win, putting him into the championship match.

In the final, Wood found himself facing his rival and defending state champion Zach Anderson of Sault Ste. Marie.

After a six-hour wait for the match, Wood went right to work, going after Anderson to take a 4-1 first-period lead.

Just 1:11 into the second, Wood put Anderson on his back for a win by pin.

The victory gave Wood an undefeated 2007 record and the honor of being crowned the last U.P. heavyweight champ.

He finished his career with a record of 135-10. In addition, he was named to the 2007 All-Academic Wrestling Team, the second year in a row he earned

that honor, and was a finalist for the prestigious Mr. Wrestler Award given out by the U.P. Wrestling Coaches Association.

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## Varsity powerful in Gladstone win

If you are going to put together your best performance of the season, why not do it during parents' night and against a team who beat you by 10 points earlier in the season?

Cody Kangas hit a triple to start the game and sank his final shot of the night to put his team up by 20 late in the final stanza.

Behind Kangas' 17-point performance, the Emeralds jumped up early and finished strong, recording a 60-41 non-conference win over the Gladstone Braves Tuesday night.

"We got in rhythm early, shot well, and once again our defense did what we wanted," coach Ed Marietti said. "We forced them outside and didn't allow the second or third shot tonight. Overall, this was a great all-around game for us, especially at this point in the season."

Off the triple by Kangas, Manistique put together a 16-4 run and held a 16-7 advantage at the end of the opening period. Kangas and Josh Mickelson netted six points each in the quarter.

The Braves were down 20-7 when Matt Metzger nailed back-to-back three-pointers to cut the Emerald margin to seven, but another trey by Kangas sent Manistique on a 7-2 run to close out the half with a 27-15 lead.

"It was a fast-paced half," Marietti said. "There was a lot of contact that wasn't being called tonight. I was very pleased with the way we handled their pressure. It was nice to get a 12-point lead and keep it there against a good ball club."

Trailing by a dozen, the Braves matched points with the Emeralds in the third. Corey Gonyea paced Manistique with a pair of three-point baskets. Manistique held a 40-28 advantage going into the final eight minutes of play.



Josh Mickelson

Midway through the fourth, senior Jared Martin hit a bucket that stretched the Emerald lead to 17. The team's lone senior, Martin finished the final home game of his prep career with six points.

Playing in only the second varsity game of his career, sophomore Jared Turan scored six to lead the Emeralds in the fourth. Behind Turan's effort, Manistique outscored the Braves 20-13 in the quarter.

"We moved the ball and shot well," Marietti said. "They overplayed our passing lanes, and we were able to get some easy points off layups in the fourth. It was a good win — our first win against a team that is above .500."

Manistique shot 48 percent from the floor and was seven of 12 from the line. Kangas paced the effort with 17 points. Mickelson added nine, Turan and Gonyea eight points each, Jared Martin six points, Scott Giles four, Terry Martin two.

Josh Mickelson led the Emeralds with 15 points in their 50-46 loss to the Ishpeming Hematites last Friday. Manistique's regular-season finale is at Westwood Tuesday.



Gunnar Mickelson goes over the Gladstone defense to put up an inside shot in Tuesday night's 50-46 junior varsity victory. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

## JV tops Hematites, Braves

Rack up two more for the Emerald junior varsity.

After returning home from Ishpeming with a 48-44 Mid-Peninsula Conference win last week, the Emeralds set the Gladstone Braves packing Tuesday night.

The Air Force may have its Thunderbirds but Manistique has the Emeralds. Still struggling to figure out just how they lost to the Braves earlier in the season, the JV put on an air show of their own in the first half of the non-conference match-up.

Manistique nailed three from behind the arc in the opening

period and four in the second to control a 27-20 advantage at the half.

Dustin Demers set the pace with two triples in each quarter. Gunnar Mickelson added one in the first. Garde Kangas nailed two in the second.

Trailing 28-20 early in the third, the Braves put together a 7-0 run to narrow the gap to one (28-27) before Demers nailed his fifth long-range bucket of the night at the 3:48 mark in the period.

Colton Walters hauled in an offensive rebound, powered his way to the basket and scored, pushing the Emerald advantage back to four.

With just eight points for their effort, the Emeralds held a 35-31 lead at the end of three quarters.

The Braves nabbed a brief lead when Andy Lauscher hit a triple of his own with 4:38 left in the contest.

Down 40-39, the Emeralds regained the advantage when

Brad McBurney hauled in an offensive rebound and put the ball in.

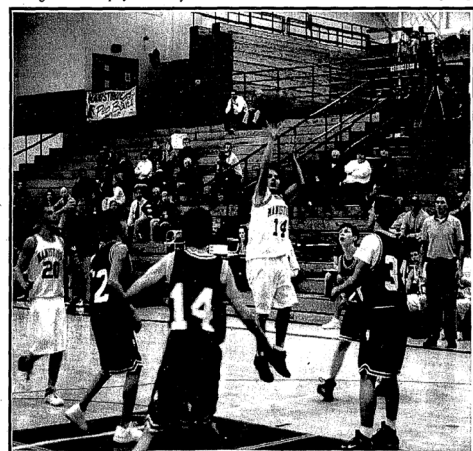
From there, the Emeralds went six of seven from the line to seal the 50-45 victory.

Demers had an outstanding night, nailing five treys and sinking nine of his 10 attempts for the charity stripe. He finished the night with 24 points.

Kangas added 12 points, Mickelson eight, Walters, McBurney and Scott Zellner two points each.

Demers also led the Emeralds with 18 points in the win over Ishpeming. Kangas added 11 points, Zellner five, Walters six, McBurney five, Mickelson two.

With the victories, the Emeralds improved to 17-2. Manistique travels to Westwood for their final game of the season next Tuesday. They hammered the Patriots 58-29 earlier in the season.



Anders Broullire shoots for a pair in Tuesday night's freshman game against Gladstone. On the heels of last week's 67-44 loss to Ishpeming, the Emeralds dropped the non-conference contest with the Braves 75-51. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

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<p><b>Class A-B-C</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Houghton (16-1)</li> <li>St. Ignace (14-3)</li> <li>Negaunee (14-3)</li> <li>Calumet (13-4)</li> <li>Escanaba (10-7)</li> </ol> <p>Also receiving votes: Sault Ste. Marie (12-6) Menominee (10-6) Marquette (8-10) Gwinn (12-5) Ishpeming (11-7)</p>	<p><b>Class D</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cedarville (17-0)</li> <li>Jeffers (16-1)</li> <li>Forest Park (15-2)</li> <li>Carney-Nadeau (15-2)</li> <li>Even-Troul Cr. (14-2)</li> </ol> <p>Also receiving votes: North Dickinson (11-5) Watermeet (11-4) Superior Central (11-4)</p>
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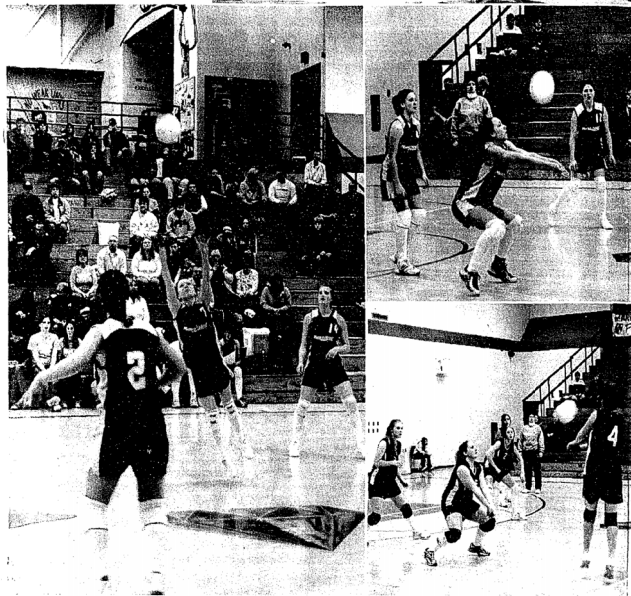
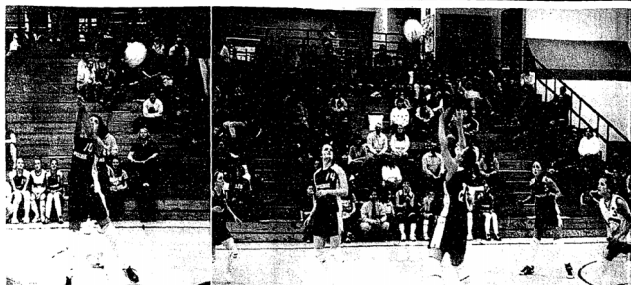
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### Emerald spikers top Bears

The Emerald volleyball teams gave a parents' night crowd at the Bonifas Gymnasium a treat Monday night, with a sweep of the Big Bay de Noc Lady Bears.

Manistique's junior varsity spikers defeated Big Bay 2-1, while the varsity claimed a 3-0 decision, with game scores of 25-9, 25-10, 25-9.

"The Emeralds played some of their best team play of the season," varsity coach John Ziembas said.

Game one featured only the senior team members.

"They played with veteran confidence and experience,"

Ziembas said. "There were very few mistakes, and the ones that were came from the girls being aggressive."

The next two games featured the juniors, with the senior squad split between the games, filling the gaps.

Ziembas said the match gave everyone a chance to change from a defensive to an offensive mind-set, and to try out several different positions.

"During the last game, my libero [defensive specialist] got to wear a regular jersey and spike, my setter got to spike, and one of the hitters got to try setting," Ziembas

said. "It allowed the girls to gain experience and confidence with other aspects of the their game, which may become valuable for districts."

The Emeralds wrap up their season with matches at Norway and Ishpeming, before heading into district competition at St. Ignace March 3.

For the Lady Bears, district competition will be at Rapid River on March 3, when they take on Grand Marais in first-round action.

**Manistique varsity vs. Big Bay de Noc**  
Aces: Ashley Miller 7, Erin Beckman 1, Robin Vaughan 3,

Kimmy Jenerou 3, Lhea Yurk 2, Kayla Anthony 1, Candice Selling 7, Jessica Hayes 1.  
Digs: Linda Rowe 3, Miller 5, Beckman 1, Christie Rumrill 1, Yurk 3, Anthony 3, Katie Wright 4, Hayes 5.  
Kills: Miller 2, Beckman 2, Vaughan 1, Jenerou 3, Anthony 2, Wright 2, Hayes 2.  
Assists: Rowe 1, Jenerou 5, Anthony 1, Selling 5, Hayes 1.  
Sets: Rowe 8, Jenerou 10, Anthony 2, Selling 15, Hayes 2.  
Serve Receives: Miller 5, Beckman 4, Vaughan 1, Rumrill 1, Yurk 6, Selling 11, Wright 2, Hayes 2.

### BR-H ready to host elementary tourney

The annual three-on-three basketball tournament will be held at Bark River-Harris School Saturday, March 24, beginning at 9 a.m.

The tournament is for students in grades 3-12. Teams are bracketed as third and fourth grade, fifth and sixth grade, and so on.

All games will be officiated. Medals and shirts will be awarded to the first place team in each bracket. Second and third place teams will receive medals.

The cost to enter is \$45 per team. The entry deadline is Friday, March 16.

Entry forms have already been sent to Upper Peninsula schools. Forms can also be obtained by calling Joe and Sandy Derouin at (906) 466-2213 or downloaded from the Bark River-Harris Web site, which is located at [www.brhschools.org](http://www.brhschools.org).

### Annual NIT to begin March 23

The 2007 Negaunee Invitational Basketball Tournament will run from March 23 through April 22.

Class A action will be held April 20, 21 and 22.

Class B will compete April 13, 14 and 15.

The 45 and Older class will play March 30, 31 and April 1.

Tournament officials say they are seeking enough teams to resurrect a women's division this year.

More details, along with past winners, photos and other historical information is available at [www.negauneeinvitational.com](http://www.negauneeinvitational.com). You can also contact John Basolo at (906) 475-4268 or send e-mail to [jbasolo@negauneeinvitational.com](mailto:jbasolo@negauneeinvitational.com).



The Manistique Hockey Association recently drew the lucky tickets in their fund-raising raffle. Presenting Bryan Hill of Munising with the keys to his new four-wheeler is association President Craig Savage. Other winners included: muzzle loader, Butch Lyons of Horton, Mich.; rifle, Charlie Tatrow of Garden; patio set, Jamie Weinert of Escanaba; Grill-2-Go, Ray Jacobson of Manistique; \$100 gas card from Zephyr, Kim Herbst of Manistique; and signed photo of Manny Legace, B. Franti of McMillan, Mich. (Submitted photo)

### Cats skate to weekend split

It was a split weekend for the Big Boy Wildcats. Following back-to-back losses in Sault Ste. Marie, the Wildcats took out their frustrations on Fazoli's of Marquette with a pair of victories.

After starting off the effects of the 6 a.m. trip to Marquette, the Wildcats came alive, scoring five goals in the second period and two in the third to record a 7-0 win in game one.

Defenseman Allison Laramie put the Cats up when she found an opening in Fazoli's defense and skated her way across the rink to score early in the second period.

Carlie Kangas pushed the lead to two when she took a pass from Addie Gustafson and slammed her shot through the pipes.

Kangas then returned the favor and found Gustafson open by the net. The goal by Gustafson pushed the Cats' lead to three midway through the period.

A second goal by Laramie and a score by Sadie Sobieski gave Big Boy a 5-0 lead at the end of the second. Gustafson and Kangas were credited with an assist on the Sobieski goal.

Teighlor Hoholik and Gustafson rounded off the scoring for Big Boy with goals in the third period.

Big Boy didn't waste any time in game two. The Cats took to the rink and netted three goals in the opening pe-

riod, then scored two more in the second and two in the third, while the defensive trio of Amanda Laramie, Darby Demers and Hanna Bryant kept the puck in the Cats' zone for the majority of the contest.

Behind their dominating defensive play, only five shots were fired at stand-in netminder Sammy Walters.

Walters took over for Amanda Laramie, who was sidelined due to an injury. She and is expected to return to the ice when the Cats travel to Mackinaw City to compete in the Chicks with Sticks tournament this weekend.

Teighlor Hoholik, Hailey Hoholik and Gustafson scored in the first. Sobieski scored two in the second, and Hoholik and Kangas scored in the third.

Hailey Hoholik, Kangas, Sobieski and Kelsey Gonyea recorded assists in the win.



Students and staff at Big Bay de Noc High School capped off their Homecoming Week Feb. 13 with the crowning of the 2007 royalty. King and Queen were Jake Hermes and Nena Kuhr. Serving as princess and prince were first graders Madison McPhee and Luke LaLonde. (Submitted photo)

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Plaintiff's attorneys, bar no., address, and telephone no.: Rebecca C. McClair (P25674) 312 N. Water Street, Owasco, Michigan (989) 725-8189  
Defendant names and addresses: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Asp Road 4 BR, 1 full bath, recently remodeled.** This home has lots of character & includes woodwork throughout. Large yard w apple trees, 2 outbuildings. Some appliances incl. Credit towards new well at closing. **\$84,900 - #7844**

**#7369 - Large, luxurious Lake Michigan home.** 3 BR, 4 baths, great room & more. 3-car att'd garage. **\$349,500.**

**#7911 - NEW LISTING! McDonald Lake.** 3 BR, 2.75 baths, includes furnishings. 1+ car det'd garage. **\$169,000.**

**#7899 - Indian Lake.** 2 BR cottage in very private location. Incl. range & refrigerator. 200' of frontage. **\$129,000.**

**#9000 - NEW LISTING! 3 BR, 2 bath Lake Michigan home** has open floor plan & cathedral ceiling. **\$339,000.**

**#7820 - 4 BR, 2.5 bath home on 25 wooded acres.** Incl. restored log cabin + vacant Quilliver Lake lot. **\$350,000.**

**#7813 - Garden Pk. 3+ BR, 3 baths,** open floor plan, large master suite. On 20 acres with more acre. **\$249,900.**

**#7773 - New Construction.** 1656 sq ft. living area, 2-car att'd garage. Just 1 block to Indian Lake. **\$179,500.**

**#7744 - Coaks area.** 3 BR, 2 bath home on 40 acres has a 2.5 car garage, steel barn & a workshop. **\$319,000.**

**#7683 - Swanson Rd. 3 BR, 1.5 baths,** large family room with LP gas fireplace. Garage + pole building. **\$179,500.**

**#7919 - Cabin & 40 acres.** Hiawatha Nat'l For. 3 BR, full bath, incl. furnishings & generator. Pole barn. **\$210,000.**

**#7848 - 100 acres.** West Kendall Road. The back acreage heavily wooded, front 1/4 mostly open. **\$79,900.**

# Middle and high school honor roll posted



The selection was larger than last year and the creativity was unbelievable at the annual Girl Scout Cake Auction held Feb. 12 at St. Francis de Sales. Above: Judges Dave Ozanich and Alison Jones review entries in the Junior Scout division. Below are "Judges' Choice" winners, from left: Jamie Erikson, Madison Ozanich, Kamryn Hoese, Brylee Allor, Molly Slavinski, MacKenna Ozanich, Courtney Latonde, Becca Bowers and Kylie Bowers. Not pictured: Abby Burnham. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)



## Manistique Public Safety Department Log

The following information is from Manistique Public Safety dispatch logbooks recorded at the time the calls were received. The incidents reported may have proven to be unfounded once police investigated.

**Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2007**  
8 a.m. AED presentation at Manistique High School with students and staff  
10:52 a.m. Power lines down, Fifth Street  
12:30 p.m. Abandoned vehicle, Cedar Street, towed  
5:50 p.m. Security, Walnut Street  
**Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2007**  
9 a.m. Child abuse, within city of Manistique  
10:40 a.m. Tobacco, Manistique resident arrested on misdemeanor warrant for furnishing tobacco to minors  
2:30 p.m. Emergency Medical Service (EMS), city of Manistique  
5:05 p.m. Department of Public Works call out, plow and salt trucks within city of Manistique  
**Thursday, Feb. 15, 2007**  
11:12 a.m. EMS, Hiawatha Township  
11:44 a.m. Request for Department of Public Works, U.S. Highway 2  
12:20 p.m. Assist, Maple Street  
3:31 p.m. Parking violation, Main Street  
5 p.m. Snowmachine on roadway, Second Street  
7:53 p.m. Larceny, Cedar

Street  
8:40 p.m. Property damage accident, U.S. Highway 2  
9 p.m. Harassing telephone call, within city of Manistique  
**Friday, Feb. 16, 2007**  
12:58 p.m. Lockout, U.S. Highway 2  
3:38 p.m. EMS, city of Manistique  
9:15 p.m. Lockout, Maple Street  
10:15 p.m. Property damage accident, Main Street  
11:15 p.m. EMS, Hiawatha Township  
**Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007**  
2 a.m. Disturbing the peace, Chippewa Avenue  
2:45 a.m. Loud music, Cedar Street  
4:25 a.m. Open door, U.S. Highway 2  
4:50 a.m. Low temperature alarm, Elk Street  
11:35 a.m. Disturbance, Delta Avenue  
12:30 p.m. Open door, U.S. Highway 2  
2:50 p.m. Possible medical problem, Cedar Street  
6:15 p.m. Department of Public Works call out, within city of Manistique  
6:58 p.m. Assault, within city of Manistique  
4:45 p.m. Lock out, Houghton Avenue  
8 p.m. Fugitive arrest, Manistique resident arrested for outstanding Friend of Court bench warrant  
**Sunday, Feb. 18, 2007**  
3:20 a.m. Department of Public Works call out, within city of Manistique  
3:50 a.m. Snow ordinance violation, cited and towed two vehicles for snow ordinance violation  
12:33 p.m. Property damage accident, Deer Street and Houghton Avenue  
1:53 p.m. Property damage accident, Maple Street  
3:12 p.m. Broken water line, First Street  
6 p.m. Harassing phone calls, within city of Manistique  
6:40 p.m. Water main leak, Maple Street  
7:05 p.m. Citizen assist, Cedar Street  
6:35 p.m. EMS, within city of Manistique  
8 p.m. Intoxicated person, Oak Street  
**Monday, Feb. 19, 2007**  
12:50 a.m. Suicidal subject, Alger Avenue  
3:50 a.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette  
6:30 a.m. Department of Public Works call out, slippery roads, U.S. Highway 2  
8:45 a.m. Illegal dumping, U.S. Highway 2  
12:30 p.m. Citizen assist, Third Street  
4:30 p.m. Citizen assist, within city of Manistique  
4:45 p.m. Lock out, Houghton Avenue  
5:30 p.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette  
7:45 p.m. Assist, U.S. Highway 2  
7:52 p.m. Traffic obstruction, Range Street near Michigan Avenue  
Kevin Harold Arnold, 43, of Manistique, charged with no proof of insurance (11/06). Assessed \$176.  
Randolph Leslie Bills, Jr., 22, of Bessemer, charged with driving 68 miles per hour in a 55 m.p.h. zone (1/07). Assessed \$171.  
Jason James Bradley, 30, of Manistique, charged with operating snowmobile on state highway (2/07). Assessed \$120.  
Jacob Rodger Dodge, 19, of Ishpeming, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55 m.p.h. zone (2/07). Assessed \$100.  
Europe Alfonso Dye, 34, of Manistique, was bound over from 93rd District Court to 11th Judicial Circuit Court on one count of selling, furnishing alcohol to a minor; two counts

of assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault); and one count of carrying dangerous weapon with unlawful intent (2/07).  
David Royce Kniss, 52, of Rapid River, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55 m.p.h. zone (2/07). Assessed \$100.  
Ramon Edward Rossi, 72, of Escanaba, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55 m.p.h. zone (2/07). Assessed \$100.  
Jake Allen Smith, 17, of Gulliver, charged with driving 65 miles per hour in a 55 m.p.h. zone (1/07). Assessed \$96.  
Patrick Michael Stewart, 52, of Gulliver, charged with driving 65 miles per hour in a

55 m.p.h. zone (2/07). Assessed \$100.  
Montgomery Lee Ward, 69, of Manistique, charged with driving 65 miles per hour in a 55 m.p.h. zone (10/06). Assessed \$91.  
James Craig Weber, Jr., 19, of Manistique, charged with no operators license (1/07). Assessed \$136.

Manistique High School honor roll:  
Lennox, Samantha Lynts, Andrea Miller, Elizabeth Muthaupt, Andrew Nelson, DJ Peterson, Timothy Reid, Shyenne Shaver, Samantha Shiel, Harley Troxler, Jasmine Volk, Niki Walters, Clayton Weigel and Heather Zimmerman.  
Seventh grade all A students were Emily Aldrich, Ryan Brown, Kyle Demers, Hailey Garvin, Erika LaFolle, Amanda Laramie, Nicole Lawrence, Shayna Morrison, Adam Nagy and Michael Nagy.  
Students receiving a 3.5 or better were Lily Boudreau, Hannah Bryant, Brianna Johnson, Zachary Lambert, Zachary Lindemann, Kali Wilson, Stephanie Zellar and Kaitlyn Ziminski.  
Additional third grade honor students were Joseph Blanchard III, Shanel Bosanic, Robert Burton II, Alberta Chase, Joseph Dusseault, Monica Giles, Kelsey Gonyea, Matthew Gonzalez, Adam LaVance, James

Brazda, Rhyon Clifton, Ryan Gardapee, Stephanie Halpin, Kalysa Jenerou, Ashley Johnson, Nicholas LaFave, Sara Lemert, Taylor Lockwood, McKenzie Mickelson, Cory Poupore, Taylor Rutherford, Brooke Spencer, Andrew Sundling, Jacob Syers, Cory Tallman, Cory Tuttle, Hannah Vallier, Ashley Vaughn, Rebecca Videch, Emily Wilson and Tanner Yurk.  
Second marking period all A students in the eighth grade were Carlie Kangas, Molly Michaels, Anna Mool, Isaac Pohlman, Ashley Tuttle and Millicent Weber.  
Eighth grade students with a 3.5 or better were Brianna Herlik, John Barker III, Jaden Uter, Nathan Hayes, April Hickey, Valerie McNamara, Kirsten Brown, Sarah Young, Hali Carlson, Jessica Dibble, Kallie LaBar, Casey Hook,

Emily Anderson, Bethany Beaudre, Kristina Flynn, Cody Kayser, Allison Laramie, Gabrielle Peters, Cassandra Matchinski, Kelsey VanAmberg, Emily Blount, Zachary Lang, Eucharis Marks and Sacey Hentschler.  
Students with a 3.0 or better were Tyler Bolm, Jesse Brinkman, Chelsea Gould, Robert Hoar, Theiglor Hoholik, Michael Heuter, William Jenerou, Gabrielle Kieffer, Joseph LaFayette, Matthew Lee, Natalie Pohlman, Tyler Ravet, Felicia Reid, Natasha Rosebush, James Rummil, Kyle Smith, Tabitha Stevenson, Nicholas Takala, Nicole Tamata and Tyler Turan.  
Ninth grade students to achieve all A's were Trevor Birr, Alex Burns, Alisa Case, Nicole Johnson, Christine Kemper, Michael Latterman, Anthony Lee, Spencer Lindemuth, Melanie Neddow, Gregory Vaughn and Zachary Weber.  
Students with 3.5 or better in the ninth grade were Anders Broulliere, Kyle Erickson, Cassandra Haley, Megan Hendrickson, Emily Hepler, Britny Tipp, Bailey Lawrence, Thomas Mercier, Gunnar Mickelson, Danielle Reid and Abby Wood.  
Students with a 3.0 or better include Brianna Alden, Carly Bauer, Kyle Edwards, Cory Gardapee, Ashlee Henry, Tyler Hinkson, Mary Hoholik, Casie Hough, Joshua Klich and Sarah Wright.  
Earning all A's in the tenth grade were Kelly Aldrich, Dustin Demers, Ryan Edwards, Christie Hyland, Malorie Lakosky, Luke Mooi, Jessica Neddow, Britney Pierce, Ashley Pomeroy, Kayla Tuttle and Colton Walters.  
Students with a 3.5 or better were Samantha Creeden, Courtney Dibble, Ashley Gage, Bradley Hoholik, Holly Hueter, Kayla LaMuth, Bonnie Lee, Jacqueline Powers, Garret Prater, Lynne Tallman, Jared Turan, Nicholas Vincent, Chelsea Wright, Breanna Yurk and Scott Zellner.  
Completing the tenth grade honor roll with a 3.0 or better were Marcus Bosanic, Molly

Denney, Ashlee Gould, Karde Kangas, Terry Martin, Kelly Mays, Joshua Mickelson, Ryan Mays, Alexander Ribick, Abrielle Smith, Joel Smith, Alyssa Strasser, Candice Tucker, Kimberly Vallier, Raquel Vanderville and Jenna Wilson.  
All A students in the eleventh grade were Rachel Aldrich, Karl Kemper, Christie Rummil, Randi Vaughan and Leanne Vaughn.  
Achieving 3.5 or better were William Barker, Scott Clark, Allyssa Demers, Holly Erickson, Tyler Glasscock, Corey Gonyea, Caitlin Hook, Brandon Lawrence, Marissa McDonough, Meghan McKenzie, Megan Taylor, Amelia Pelayo, Alan Sims Jr., Chelsea Smith and Robin Vaughan.  
Finishing the eleventh grade honor roll with a 3.0 or better were James Barham, Hannah Boudreau, Cory Case, Kelsey Dillon, Scott Giles, Jake Halvorson, Samantha Jenerou, Stephanie Johnson, Cody Kangas, Joseph LeDuc, Kyle Loup, Rory McDonough, Danielle Miller, Emily Nord, Briana Perilloux, Ryan Peterson, Ariel Reque, Joshua Ritter, Candice Seling, Jake Smith, Sonny St. John, Sarah Tobin, Cory VanAmberg, Britney Weber, Chelsea Wood and Stephen Young.  
Successfully completing the second marking period with all A's in the twelfth grade were Marlene Birr, Kimberly Jenerou, Jared Martin, Scott Nagy, Lisa Seling, Nikita Sokolov, Gray Turek, William Wood and Leah York.  
Students receiving a 3.5 or better were Kayla Anthony, Erin Beckman, Megan Demers, Katie LaMuth, Malary MacGregor, Ashley Miller, Amanda Olson, Ingrid Olson and Abby Wilson.  
Rounding out the twelfth grade second marking period honor roll with a 3.0 or better were Brooke Bouchard, Jemma Burnmeister, Aaron Eagle, Felicia Jenerou, Nicole MacArthur, Nicholas Pomeroy, Deryk Reque, Amy Roddy, Ashley Schuner, Ashley Weber and Emily Zellner.

## First Step office hours scheduled

Joel Schultz of First Step Inc. is scheduled to make his next visit to Schoolcraft County on Wednesday, March 7. As always, Schultz will be offering free and confidential small business counseling to persons interested in starting or expanding a business. Sessions will be held at the Schoolcraft County Courthouse on Walnut Street in Manistique.



Angie LaLonde's kindergarten students at Big Bay de Noc School recently celebrated the 100th day of the school year by making 100 Valentines to share with residents at the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility. (Submitted photo)

## District Court

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DOYLE	Connie K Frenette	3/12/07	3 to 9 pm	Doyle Twp. Hall
		3/13/07	9 am to 3 pm	
GERMFASK	Omer L. Doran	3/12/07	9 am to 3 pm	Germfask Twp. Hall
		3/13/07	3 to 9 pm	
INWOOD	Al Unger	3/12/07	9 am to 3 pm	Inwood Twp. Hall
		3/13/07	3 to 9 pm	
HIAWATHA	Lloyd Gray	3/12/07	9 am to 3 pm	Hiawatha Twp. Hall
		3/13/07	3 to 9 pm	
MANISTIQUE	James Barr	3/12/07	3 to 9 pm	Manistique Twp. Hall
		3/13/07	9 am to 3 pm	
MUELLER	Donald Parigo	3/12/07	3 to 9 pm	Mueller Twp. Fire Hall
		3/13/07	9 am to 3 pm	
SENEY	Donald Reed	3/12/07	3 to 9 pm	Seney Twp. Hall
		3/13/07	9 am to 3 pm	
THOMPSON	Dorothy Rochefort	3/12/07	3 to 9 pm	Thompson Twp. Hall
		3/13/07	9 am to 3 pm	