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Weekend Forecast

MANISTIQUE	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
High 80	High 78	High 78	High 74
Low 60	Low 60	Low 60	Low 58
Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy

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As always, pageants were one of the major attractions at last weekend's 30th annual Schoolcraft County Fair. On Thursday night, Nichole Canary was chosen as Miss Schoolcraft County 2007, reclaiming the crown she last won in 2004. The following evening, Terren Nygard-Frankovich was named 2007 Little Prince and Shieyanne Johnson won the title of Little Miss. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

Busy slate of events draws crowds to 30th annual fair

By Paul Olson

With good weather, new activities, and strong attendance, the Schoolcraft County Fair celebrated its 30th anniversary in style last week. The three-day event ran Aug. 2-4, at the fairgrounds on North Lake Street.

In honor of the anniversary, the fair board decided to waive the admission charge for all three days of the fair, making precise attendance numbers hard to determine. But board member and Michigan State University Extension Director Dave Andersen said their estimates were encouraging.

Andersen said approximately 2,500 people visited the fairgrounds, up from last year's number and well in line with attendance figures over the past five to six years.

Andersen said discussions with fair participants showed a high level of satisfaction.

"Everything pretty much went off without a hitch," he said. "The exhibitors were happy, many of the food booths did well, and the vendors I talked to were pleased."

Among the big draws at this year's fair was a brand new event: the child safety expo. The day-long program was organized by area law enforcement officials with the help of the Manistique Area Kiwanis Club and the local Masonic Lodge.

The event included impressive displays of emergency vehicles, K9 corps demonstrations, "Stranger Danger" programs, and the distribution of free child safety information.

On Friday and Saturday, the Masons offered their Michigan Child Identification Program, which provides comprehensive kits to assist families in the event their child is ever lost or abducted.

According to Andersen, more than 130 of the ID kits were created over the two days, 110 on Friday alone.

"It was very successful," he said. "There's talk of making it an annual thing, and I think that's a great idea."

Andersen said the displays, services and safety programs were reminiscent of local "safe nights" that were held for several years at the old Cinema 2 drive-in.

"It kind of reintroduced that whole concept," he said. "That's a great thing for the community. If everyone wants to do this again next year, we're definitely amenable."

Another draw were the annual pageants, which saw a lower number of participants but still pulled in sizeable crowds.

County Fair Continued A4



The 2007 CBC fund drive came to an end Monday, with a ceremony at Manistique Papers Inc. Officials from Manistique Charities, the mill's community service organization, presented CBC officials with their annual \$10,000 matching contribution, after which checks for \$15,500 were presented to Easter Seals, Bay Cliff Health Camp and the American Cancer Society. From left: CBC Co-Chairs George Ecclesine and Bob Sands, Manistique Charities representative Dave Tenynson, CBC Chair Steve Wood, Manistique Charities representative Tony Martin, MPI General Manager Jon Johnson, Bay Cliff Health Camp representative Dorothy Hoholik, Manistique Charities representative Bob Benish, American Cancer Society representative Dick Ketcik, Easter Seals representative Connie Frenette, CBC Treasurer Julie Bosanic. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

CBC drive wraps up record year

By Paul Olson

A record-breaking 40th annual CBC campaign officially concluded Aug. 6, as the final contribution was received, the financial report released, and the proceeds distributed to the American Cancer Society, Bay Cliff Health Camp and Easter Seals.

According to the report from 2007 Treasurer Julie Bosanic, this year's Palm Sunday CBC Radio-Television and associated fund-raising activities generated a record \$51,022.70, surpassing the \$47,000 goal for the year and marking the first time in the campaign's four-decade history that more than \$50,000 had been raised.

Steve Wood, who chaired the 2007 drive, said their success was gratifying, and was only possible because of the ongoing assistance given to CBC by people from one end of Schoolcraft County to the other, including valuable support from countless businesses, civic organizations and individuals.

Over its 40-year history, CBC has raised a total of \$1,257,426 and spent just \$83,538. That makes the campaign's "cost of operation" less than 6.7 percent, which in turn means that over 93 percent of all money contributed has gone directly to the charities.

That tradition continued at this week's closing ceremony, held at Manistique Papers Inc. It began with CBC officials receiving a check for \$10,000, representing the annual matching contribution from Manistique Charities, the paper mill's community service arm, which continues to be the fund drive's largest donor.

Checks were then distributed to the Cancer Society, Easter Seals and Bay Cliff, with each group receiving \$15,500, up from \$13,750 last year.

Wood has now completed his three-year stint as a CBC chair, and on Monday handed over the reins to co-chairs Bob Sands and George Ecclesine. A new third chairperson will be announced early next year, as fund-raising for the 41st annual CBC gets underway.

The 2008 drive will officially begin in January and culminate with the traditional radio-television, to be held at the Manistique High School on March 16.

Election landslides as Lauzon and Zellar win board seats, millage issues approved

by Paul Olson

Landslides were the order of the day in the Schoolcraft County special election Tuesday. Louis Lauzon and Gerald Zellar won seats on the County Board of Commissioners by margins of better than three-to-one, while two millage renewals were approved by overwhelming margins.

The Manistique Senior Citizens Center was seeking a five-year renewal of its long-running operating millage, requesting a reduced 0.4697 mill rate, down from the half-mill levied previously.

The issue passed 744-112, easily winning approval in all eight townships and all four city precincts.

Also running a millage renewal was the Schoolcraft Conservation District, which was seeking to extend its 0.0537 mill tax levy for five years.

That issue passed 581-262, winning approval in 10 of 12 precincts. The question tied in Mueller Township, 13-13, and was defeated by three votes in Seney Township.

In District 2 (southern Manistique Township and city Precinct 4), Lauzon defeated Alfred Burns 141-39 to win election to the County Board.

	City 1	City 2	City 3	City 4	Bayle Twp.	Germfask Twp.	Hawassa Twp.	Inwood Twp.	Mt. Twp.	Mueller Twp.	Seney Twp.	Thompson Twp.	TOTAL
COUNTY BOARD													
DISTRICT 2													
Alfred Burns				17						21			39
Louis Lauzon				70						72			141
COUNTY BOARD													
DISTRICT 4													
Doug Erickson				44									44
Gerald Zellar				150									150
SENIOR CENTER													
MILLAGE RENEWAL													
Yes	34	27	164	80	32	22	135	55	110	20	8	57	744
No	5	1	29	14	5	3	16	13	11	6	5	4	112
CONSERVATION DIST.													
MILLAGE RENEWAL													
Yes	26	20	143	65	22	17	101	43	82	13	5	44	581
No	11	8	45	28	15	7	49	25	37	13	8	16	262
TURNOUT													
Registered	362	291	1,070	639	461	363	953	541	725	153	92	592	6,242
Voting	39	28	196	94	38	25	151	68	121	26	13	61	860
Turnout Percentage	10.6%	9.6%	18.3%	14.7%	8.2%	6.9%	15.8%	12.6%	16.7%	17.0%	14.1%	10.3%	13.8%

Note: Results were unofficial at press time on Wednesday, Aug. 8

Lauzon had been filling that seat under temporary appointment, having been named late last year to fill the vacancy created when former commissioner Dan McKinney resigned

because of conflicts with the federal Hatch Act. The act prohibits someone from engaging in partisan political activities, including running for office, if all or part of his salary

is funded with federal dollars. Lauzon, a Democrat, easily won in both of the district's precincts, defeating Burns 70-17 in City 4 and 71-22 in Manistique Township. Burns was

running without a party affiliation.

Election Continued A8

Camp Manistique shutdown postponed; 13-member workgroup to discuss options

By Paul Olson

The pending shutdown of Camp Manistique has been postponed indefinitely - but a week after that announcement, no one is sure exactly what it means.

Camp employees, local government officials and residents learned of the postponement at an Aug. 2 town meeting. The session was the third held in

just two weeks, following the July 17 announcement that the level-one correctional facility would be closed in early September.

Michigan Department of Corrections Director Pat Caruso opened the meeting by saying the Sept. 8 shutdown date was now "off the table."

Caruso said she agreed to delay the closure at the request of Gov. Jennifer Granholm, who requested that the Corrections Department review the situation.

"The governor asked us to take another look, and we will," Caruso said.

That process will be carried out, in part, by a multi-jurisdictional workgroup.

Caruso said the group would look at ways to keep the camp open, but also suggested that the panel's real purpose would be to find a future use for the property.

"We want to see if there's a better way to use the facility, so that we can have a win-win situation," Caruso told the standing-room-only crowd in the circuit courtroom.

there would be or how long the process might last.

Caruso described the timeline as "indefinite," but also stressed that any delay past the original closing date would "come at a price."

"No, I don't have a new date, but every day we postpone it's costing us money," she said last week.

The department maintains that closing Camp Manistique will save an estimated \$4.5 million a year. Additional savings will be achieved by transferring the camp corrections officers to fill vacancies in Newberry and Munising, reducing the amount of overtime used at those prisons.

Caruso said pushing back the closure would also be difficult for the employees, whose future assignments would remain undecided.

Several other meeting attendees agreed - even those who were otherwise heartened by news of the postponement.

"I have concerns about the uncertainty this creates," Lindberg said. "Leaving this up in the air is one of the worst things you can do to people."

That air of uncertainty was clearly evident after the meeting, as everyone seemed to interpret Caruso's announcement in their own way.

Caruso herself, in a special edition of the department's FYI newsletter, said the focus would remain on closure and reuse of the camp.

"While we still plan to close Camp Manistique, it is our hope that at some future date we can make a seamless transition from Camp Manistique as a correctional facility to utilization of the facility for some other viable option," she wrote.

In their communications with area media, prison employees preferred to point to another part of the newsletter, where Caruso said, "In the meantime, Camp Manistique will remain open indefinitely and continue with normal operations at a minimum security correctional facility."



State Corrections Director Pat Caruso and Manistique Mayor David Peterson in conversation after last week's town meeting at the courthouse. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

The state lawmakers also weighed in, with Democratic Reps. Lindberg and Gary McDowell sending out press releases in which they admitted that the fight was not over - but also trumpeted the delay as "a significant victory for the Upper Peninsula," and claimed that 45 good-paying jobs had been "saved."

Finally the Michigan Corrections Organization, the officers' union, sent out an announcement saying they were taking the news "with a grain of salt" and opposing the shutdown of any prison facility on the state.

Workgroup member McKinney said this week that he understands the uncertainty. It's likely, he said, that the 13 members of the committee all have their own interpretations of the issue, as well as their own ideas on what might happen next.

For his part, McKinney said, he still views the workgroup as "a save the prison" committee.

He said he's not opposed to studying future options, including the much-discussed idea of turning the camp into a regional jail or converting it to private sector use. But he'd prefer to see a focus on what's there now, instead of what might be.

"We definitely have to look at everything, but I hope that closing Camp Manistique is still Plan B," he said. "In my opinion, keeping it open, keeping it just like it is now, has to be Plan A."

One thing almost everybody seems to agree on is that closing Camp Manistique would address only a small part of the ongoing financial problems.

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Fish Report

By Ret. Sgt. John Walker

Well, are you ready for the fall season to get here? You have to remember we are a week into August already and guess what comes next! It is hard to believe summer is fast moving by us and you wonder where it went.

I have to admit I have never seen a time when it was dry out in the woods as it is right now. There have been dry periods, but not where even the ponds are like powder and the ponds and lakes have been receding.

The other day there were some food plots and the ground was so dry it was like a dust bowl. Not only is it so dry and dusty, but if the seed that is planted does not get some moisture chances of it coming up are slim and none.

Needless to say we have all heard about the forest fires in the U.P. and the need to be extra careful out in the woods. What we really need is a week long soaking rain where it just drizzles all day and really soaks into the ground. And we need this all across the U.P. Not just hit and miss rains for 10 minutes or so.

Did you ever stop and think how these weather extremes can affect the wildlife? First if it is too wet, damp, and cold it affects their spring nesting season. But I have been told that with as long a dry, hot spell as we have had this summer it too affects the wildlife.

I have to believe this because I have come across a

number of bird nests with either dead hatched baby birds or eggs that for some reason just did not hatch. I mentioned in the Fish Report earlier this summer where I have observed a number of waterfowl that had just one or two little ones following it where usually you see a large crew following mom around.

It just seems at times there are so many natural things that work against wildlife that it is a wonder we even have what we have to enjoy.

So, until we get some real soaking rains make sure to go the extra mile to be careful out in the woods if you are camping. In fact, unless you are in an area where there is a good place to even have a fire I would not have one. If you do make sure you really drown it out. Then move the embers around and dump some more water on it just to be extra cautious.

I have been asked by a number of people if the Oswald's Bear Ranch is affected by the fires up north of Newberry. So far the fires have been north of their location and now seem to be towards the east of them.

It is totally amazing how many people enjoy going up there to see the bear and were concerned about them.

I have a question for you fishermen that came up in a discussion some people had. If you have a half dozen family members out fishing together and all their poles are baited and sitting in holders or on a forked stick, as they sit around

talking. If a fish was to hit a pole and the closest person to the pole grabs it, but it is really his brother's pole, he reels in a trophy fish, who really caught the fish and who does it belong to? I told them if you were to look at this situation from the game warden's perspective it had better belong to the one that had a valid Michigan fishing license.

This falls under, "So you think you had a bad day!"

The other day I was making a book run hitting some tourist places up north. As I came along a back road going through the woods (it was a backloop road) I all of a sudden started to see camping items lying in the road.

First there were a couple of pillows, then a sleeping bag, and the most important of all a teddy bear! Needless to say by the time I saw them some other people had already managed to run over them.

About a mile or two down the road I came upon a guy up on a pop-up camper trying to get a large rubber maid container tied back down and re-packed with what was still in it.

As I passed this van I saw they had a crate of kids in the U.P. Equifist Poker Ride fundraiser.

The ride was organized to help raise money for the fourth annual U.P. Equifist, which will be held at the U.P. State Fairgrounds in Escanaba Sept. 28-30.



Taking a break at Rim Lake during the recent U.P. Poker Ride were Schoolcraft County riders (from left) Carol Hollenbeck on Brock, Lynn Olson on Carreras, Mary Lyon on Scherzo, Brenda Vincent on Jewel and Mary Weber on Lilly. (Submitted photo)

Local horseback riders hit the trails

On July 28, a group of local trail riders from surrounding counties to take part in the U.P. Equifist Poker Ride fundraiser.

The ride was organized to help raise money for the fourth annual U.P. Equifist, which will be held at the U.P. State Fairgrounds in Escanaba Sept. 28-30.

Also joining the ride was Buck LeVasseur, host of WLUC TV's "Discovering Michigan's Natural Forest" program, who aired a segment on the event during the July 30 edition of his show.

After the ride, a potluck was held and prizes awarded. For more information on the upcoming Equifist, go to www.uptequifist.com.

'Liberal' waterfowl regulations proposed

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service last week proposed continuing liberal hunting regulations for the upcoming 2007-2008 late waterfowl seasons due to improved habitat conditions and population estimates.

Duck hunting season lengths will be 60 days in both the Atlantic and Mississippi flyways, 74 days in the Central Flyway, and 107 days in the Pacific Flyway.

"Based on spring duck numbers, improved breeding habitat conditions and an improved outlook for production in many breeding areas, we propose to give hunters a wide range of hunting opportunities," said Fish and Wildlife Service Director H. Dale Hall. "We have five species that are at record or near-record highs, including canvasbacks, and there are good breeding conditions on the prairies. However, we remain concerned that pintails and scaup have not yet responded to the improved habitat conditions and remain well below long-term averages."

States select their seasons from within the frameworks or the outer limits of season length, bag limits and dates. Brief highlights of the proposed frameworks include:

- Record populations allow for an extra canvasback in the bag in the Atlantic, Mississippi and Pacific flyways. Due to the ongoing "Hunters' Choice" experiment in the Central Flyway, that flyway will continue with a one bird daily bag limit.
- The Central Flyway will continue into a second year of its three-year evaluation of the Hunter's Choice duck bag limit on hen mallards, canvasbacks, pintails and mottled ducks.
- A full season on pintails with a one bird daily bag limit will be similar to last year.
- The Atlantic Flyway will see an increase in the Atlantic brant season from 30 to 50 days.
- Under earlier published regulations, the special September teal season is available to certain states between Sept. 1 and 30, and may not exceed

water to nearly 20,000 acres in size, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Personal battling the blaze included firefighters from the DNR, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and numerous volunteer fire departments. Air support was being provided by Michigan National Guard helicopters from Camp Grayling, dropping water from 700-gallon and 2,000-gallon buckets. CL-215 water bombers from Minnesota were used on Tuesday before returning to their bases. Also on hand were personnel and equipment on loan from the Wisconsin DNR.

The fire was burning in a mostly roadless and difficult to access area roughly bordered by M-123, the main route between Newberry and Paradise,

Waterfowl Continued A7

LMAS offers tips for dealing with 'the itch'

The LMAS District Health Department is once again advising people to watch out for that common summertime malady, swimmer's itch.

With lake water warming up, conditions are favorable for the snails that carry the parasite, which when touched by a swimmer create what is commonly called "swimmer's

Battle against Luce County fire continues

At press time Wednesday, a crew of approximately 220 people was continuing to battle the huge Sleeper Lake Fire in Luce County, north of Newberry. The blaze, which is believed to have been started by a lightning strike Aug. 2, had grown to nearly 20,000 acres in size, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

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County Road 407 to the west; and to the north by County Road 420 and the East Branch of the Tahquamenon River.

As of Tuesday night, the DNR said, crews were able to hold the fire east of County Road 407 and south of County Road 420. The fire was stopped two miles south of the Pine Stump Junction, saving structures in that community.

Residents on County Road 407, from M-123 to Pine Stump Junction, were evacuated Tuesday and the road closed.

The Perch Lake Forest Campground and Two-Heard, River Canoe Campground were evacuated and the Old Headquarters and High Bridge Forest campgrounds shut down. Campers at Muskogee Lake State Park, near Lake Superior, were notified that their only exits were east to Paradise or west to Grand Marais.

Cloverland Electric Cooperative shut off power from 8 Mile Corner to Deer Park.

After being closed for several days, M-123 was reopened at noon Tuesday, with a 25 mile per hour speed limit imposed between County Roads 407 and 550.

The Red Cross set up a shelter for evacuees at the Tahquamenon Area Schools, and area animal control officers established shelters to take domestic pets, including horses.

As of Tuesday night, the fire was reported to be about 10 percent contained.

Rain during the evening hours Tuesday did little to help the fire suppression effort.

According to the DNR, "About 1/3 of an inch of rain showered firefighters on the line. No one went searching for an umbrella."

Crews were working to maintain, improve and extend their fire lines, including fortification of a line east of homes along County Road 407. The only solidly-controlled line was along M-123, the DNR said.

Firefighters also completed a road connecting M-123 and County Road 407, providing a substantial firebreak along the southern perimeter in anticipation of winds switching to the north or northwest on Wednesday. Crews also set a backfire in the area to eliminate fuel.

No injuries had been reported as of Wednesday morning and only one structure was lost, when a vacant building near Murphy Creek was



By Tom Egan/Bridges

Did you know the state of Michigan ranks third on the list for the sale of floriculture products? It's a fact. Only California and Florida outrank us. Considering these two states are gilded with nearly endless growing seasons it's not very surprising they rate top on the list. What is surprising is good old Michigan, despite long, cold and harsh winters, manages to rate so highly.

It's probably exactly because our winters aren't so interminably long that state-wide sales are so good. Once the snows are gone and the weather begins to warm we can't resist the impulse to get outside and start planting and it's a proven fact many of us get carried away.

I have been having a difficult time keeping the window box at work adequately watered off. Despite generous applications of water every morning, the following day will find all the plants showing signs of wilt. I really ought to start watering twice daily, once in the morning and again shortly before I leave for home.

You may reach me by email at teb@charter.net.

Some of the difficulty I've been having with the window box can be attributed to the recent extreme heat and broiling sun, but that's not what all the problem stems from. A portion of the blame lies with the person who constructed the window box. It is much too shallow to be able to grow anything without frequent watering. The lack of depth combined with the profuse quantities of flowers I placed within the box earlier this summer, combine to create a situation which will require my constant attention for the remainder of the summer.

The flaw in the design of the window box is a very common mistake made by many home do-it-yourselfers. Your's truly can be accounted amongst them. Check out the window boxes in front of our store. They look like a respectable size but in truth, the actual planting space within is surprisingly small. The thing I didn't take into consideration while constructing the boxes was the thickness of the wood I used and the space that ended up being required for the framework of the boxes.

All told, by the time I was done with their construction, I had lost approximately 2" of interior space. That was a lot considering the boxes were only about 6" wide in the first place. I may have ended up with window boxes that were smaller than I would have liked, but I can say one good thing about them. They sure are sturdy!

Seney wigwams reopen

After being shut down for 13 years, a landmark U.S. 77 in Schoolcraft County is open again. The wigwams at the Seney National Wildlife Refuge reopened Saturday, Aug. 4.

Refuge officials say the reopening was thanks to the help and cooperation of the Seney Natural History Association, Seney and Germantown townships, refuge staff, members, and numerous businesses and individuals.

The wigwams, located just north of the refuge entrance road, provide a covered picnic area. The site is equipped with outdoor grills, picnic tables and a rustic bathroom. No water is available, and visitors must take out their own trash.

The show pools near the wigwams are available for fishing through Sept. 30. The wigwams will be open each year from May 15 to Oct. 15.

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CA 101-01-6	Computer Concepts & Applications	6-10:10 Wednesday	4 cr/4 cr	000474
EN 100-01-6	College Writing Skills	6-10:10 Tuesday	4 cr/4 cr	000475
EN 101-01-6	Rhetoric & Composition	6-10:10 Monday	4 cr/4 cr	000476
MA 100-01-6	Basic Algebra	6-10:10 Wednesday	4 cr/4 cr	000477
PE 11801-6	Beginning Golf	9-11 am. Sat; Sep 8-Oct 20	1 cr/2 cr	000478
PS 14401-6	Effective Stress Management	6-8 Monday	2 cr/2 cr	000479
PS 11101-6	American Government	6-10:10 Thursday	4 cr/4 cr	000480
PS 201-01-6	Introduction to Psychology	6-10:10 Tuesday	4 cr/4 cr	000481
SO 151-01-6	Sociology	6-10:10 Wednesday	4 cr/4 cr	000482

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EDITORIAL

Rood's essay still rings true

Editor's note: The following column was written many years ago by the late Dave Rood, the award-winning former editor of the Pioneer-Tribune...

Some time after it ran in the Pioneer-Tribune, the column was apparently picked up by at least one downstate newspaper...

Rood was part owner of the Pioneer-Tribune from 1961 to 1971 and also served as editor for several years in the 1980s...

At various times during his busy and productive career, Rood also owned the downstate Galien River Gazette and the Gladstone-based Delta Reporter...

He died in 1996. The following year, he was elected to the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame...

Only God (Not HUD) Can Make a Tree

by Dave Rood

"I think it would be nice if we planted a tree in the park," the Mayor said.

All the councilmen agreed, but it was suggested that perhaps it would be possible to get some federal aid to plant the tree in the park, then it wouldn't cost the city so much money.

So the city manager wrote a letter to the Department of Housing and Urban Development and told them, "We would like to plant a tree. Would you help us?"

So HUD sent back some forms to be filled, with copies going to the Department of Labor, the Department of the Interior, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and the Office of Economic Opportunity.

The Department of Commerce filed their copy, but sent a copy of the copy to the Upper Great Lakes Commission and the Michigan Department of Economic Development...

When the Department of Agriculture got their copies, they sent off inquiries to the U.S. Forest Service, the Northern Great Lakes Resource Development Commission, FORUM (Forum on Resources)

sources of Upper Michigan), Michigan State University and an inquiry to the County Extension Agent.

The U.S. Department of the Interior referred it to the National Park Service and the Michigan State Highway Department.

Health, Education and Welfare sent copies to the Alger-Schoolcraft Health Department, the Michigan Department of Education and the Schoolcraft County Department of Social Services...

A survey was started by the Office of Economic Opportunity to see how many permanent jobs would result from the tree being planted and what percentage of disadvantaged workers would be utilized in the tree planting project.

HUD then wrote to the city and said that a survey would first have to be taken to determine if the job could be done effectively utilizing funds from the private sector...

They sent a copy of this letter to the Department of Natural Resources, which was formerly the Conservation Department, and they wrote the city and asked if the Soil Conservation Service had conducted any tests on the proposed location...

One of the copies from the Health Department ended up at the Michigan Department of Mental Health, which referred it to the Council on Aging and requested if there would be any benches underneath the tree for senior citizens to sit upon.

The Department of Natural Resources in the meantime had queried the State Police to determine if the tree would be a safety hazard, with a copy going to the Adjutant General of the Michigan National Guard...

They were going to have the planting ceremony, finally, but discovered that somebody had dropped an acorn on the site 20 years ago and a nice young tree was already flourishing there.

The Mayor looked at the site and said, "This would make a nice industrial park. I wonder if we could get some federal aid to clear the area of the tree."

Tater Mitts: Innovation for a Bold New World

By Mike Ball

Not too long ago I saw a television commercial for what was to be one of the most important industrial breakthroughs in human history...

I am talking, of course, about Tater Mitts. Like the Segway scooter and Ron Popeil's Pocket Fisherman, Tater Mitts just might change forever the way we view the world around us.

This stands in stark contrast to the 25 or 30 seconds it takes to peel a potato with autocut "knife" technology.

So, any time that we as Americans are tempted to feel technologically inferior to what we see a Hyundai self-destructing on the side of the road or a Japanese dancing robot...

And then there is the safety issue. As the Tater Mitts commercial dramatically points out, peeling potatoes with that old-fashioned "knife" is just plain dangerous.

All this got me thinking about the perceived state of technological "innovation" in America. For example, some people think that our auto industry is doing poorly because...

ads, brochures, slogans, songs, mms, and anything else that Far... is a weekly feature in needed writing, including a Far... for a dog. In 2003 he was awarded \$1st prize in the Erma Bombeck Writing Contest for his essay, "Just Like Little Bits." 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! Magazine Little Bits." His humor column, "What I've Learned So Far..." is a weekly feature in the Northfield Courier.

WEEKLY WEATHER RECAP

Table with 4 columns: DAY, HIGH, LOW, PRECIP. Rows for Wednesday through Tuesday with weather icons.

A Look Back at the Pioneer-Tribune Archives

40 Years Ago August 10, 1967

Manistique Area School District teachers will not return to work this fall unless they have a contract. The board of education was informed Tuesday night. The board was also told that a charge of unfair labor practices will be filed with the State Labor Mediation Board...

Head Football Coach Bob Rubick will not be back at Manistique High School this fall. Rubick announced Tuesday that he is leaving to take over the job of offensive backfield coach at Lincoln High School in Manitowish, Wis. In his letter to the board, Rubick said: "I regret that under the existing circumstances in the Manistique Area School System I can no longer continue as varsity coach and teacher."

30 Years Ago August 11, 1977

The Manistique City Council Monday night approved deeding back to the county a 300 by 300 section of property in Central Park for multipurpose recreation and a county fair building. A conditional use agreement was approved to turn over the land. Under terms drawn up by City Attorney Mike Brooks, an 80 by 200 foot exhibition building must be constructed on the site within two years.

20 Years Ago August 13, 1987

It was "Wally Leggett Night" at the Manistique City Council meeting held Monday evening. The council's first order of business was to select new ways to fill the vacancy created when former mayor David Vaughan moved to a new home outside the city limits.

10 Years Ago August 14, 1997

Brandy DuPris was named Miss Schoolcraft County 1997 at the annual Schoolcraft County Fair held Aug. 7-9. DuPris was the winner out of a field of five contestants who were judged in an evening gown and costume category. On Friday, the Little Miss and Little Prince Pageant attire category. On Friday, the Little Miss and Little Prince Pageant attire category.

Public Safety officers investigate a string of recent burglaries

Manistique Public Safety officers are investigating a series of burglaries over the past few days, and are looking for help from the public in solving the crimes.

According to Public Safety Director Ken Golat, the first report came on the morning of Sunday, Aug. 5, when officers were summoned to the scene of a burglary occurring at Christy's Bar, 312 Deer Street.

A break-in was also reported at the Roy's Precision Tools bar shop next to the bar. Officers say the burglary there occurred at the same time as the incident at Christy's.

Just before 1 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 6, officers were called to the scene of another break-in, this one at the Lakeview Lanes bowling alley on US-2.

Anyone with information on the burglary is asked to call Public Safety at 341-2134 or leave an anonymous phone message at 341-3377 (Eyes and Ears for Public Safety).

Burn ban imposed

With the Sleeper Lake Fire raging north of Newberry, other wildfires burning around the U.P., and a little relief in sight, Manistique Public Safety Director Ken Golat issued an outdoor burning ban Tuesday.

worked for the Chicago Lumber Company.

He had a son, which he also named Edmund. This Edmund went by the name of Ted. Ted Ashford was County Clerk and Register of Deeds for Schoolcraft County.

I spent a lot of time in Illinois with the family.

My husband got hurt in 1977 and has used the same pain medication for 30 years.

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What is wrong with SMRHC? I know that they have had some problems with doctors writing too many prescriptions (rumor). So because of some patients missing their prescriptions, all patients, even those who have 30 years of documentation as to their problems, they want to send you to a pain clinic.

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Saturday fishing derby will assist the Kieffer family

A one-day salmon derby benefit will be held this weekend in Manistique. The event, which is open to all anglers, will raise money to help the Kieffer family of local resident Chris Kieffer with medical expenses.

The tournament will take place Saturday, Aug. 11, from 5:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets to enter are \$25 per person, and can be purchased at Top O' Lake Sports Shop, Buckshot's Bar, or at the city marina starting at 4:30 a.m. Saturday.

The local ban covers the city and Manistique Township, and will be in effect until further notice - despite the rain that passed through the area Tuesday evening.

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Fish Report

By Ret. Sgt. John Walker

Well, are you ready for the fall season to get here? You have to remember we are a week into August already and guess what comes next! It is hard to believe summer is fast moving by us and you wonder where it went.

I have to admit I have never seen a time when it was as dry out in the woods as it is right now. There have been dry periods, but not where even the ground is like powder and the ponds and lakes have been receding.

The other day there were some people trying to put in some food plots and the ground was so dry it was like a dust bowl. Not only is it so dry and dusty, but if the seed that is planted does not get some moisture chances of it coming up are slim and none.

Needless to say we have all heard about the forest fires in the U.P. and the need to be extra careful out in the woods. What we really need is a week long soaking rain where it just drizzles all day and really soaks into the ground. And we need this all across the U.P. not just hit and miss rains for 10 minutes or so.

Did you ever stop and think how these weather extremes can affect the wildlife? First if it is too wet, damp, and cold it affects their spring nesting season. But I have been told that with as long a dry, hot spell as we have had this summer it too affects the wildlife.

I have to believe this because I have come across a

number of bird nests with either dead hatched baby birds or eggs that for some reason just did not hatch. I mentioned in the Fish Report earlier this summer where I have observed a number of waterfowl that had just one or two little ones following it where usually you see a large crew following mom around.

It just seems at times there are so many natural things that work against wildlife that it is a wonder we even have what we have to enjoy.

So, until we get some real soaking rains make sure to go the extra mile to be careful out in the woods if you are camping. In fact, unless you are in an area where there is a good place to even have a fire I would not have one. If you do make sure you really drown it out. Then move the embers around and dump some more water on it just to be extra cautious.

I have been asked by a number of people if the Oswald's Bear Ranch was affected by the fires up north of Newberry. So far the fires have been north of their location and now seem to be toward the east of them.

It is totally amazing how many people enjoy going up there to see the bear and were concerned about them.

I have a question for you fishermen that came up in a discussion some people had. If you have a half dozen family members out fishing together and all their poles are baited and sitting in holders or on a forked stick, as they sit around

talking. If a fish was to hit a pole and the closest person to the pole grabs it, but it is really his brother's pole, he reels in a trophy fish, who really caught the fish and who does it belong to? I told them if you were to look at this situation from the game warden's perspective it would better belong to the one that had a valid Michigan fishing license.

This falls under, "So you think you had a bad day!" The other day I was making a book run hitting some tourist places up north. As I came along a back road going through the woods (it was a blacktop road) I all of a sudden started to see camping items lying in the road.

First there were a couple of pillows, then a sleeping bag, and the most important of all a teddy bear! Needless to say other people had already managed to run over them.

About a mile or two down the road I came upon a guy up on a pop-up camper trying to get a large rubber maid container tied back down and re-packed with what was still in it.

As I passed this van I saw they had a crew of kids in the van watching dad enjoying himself on a camping trip to the U.P.

Oh! Those family vacations we all get to enjoy when the kids are little.



Taking a break at Rim Lake during the recent U.P. Poker Ride were Schoolcraft County riders (from left) Carol Hollenbeck on Brock, Lynn Olson on Carreras, Mary Lyon on Scherzo, Brenda Vincent on Jewel and Mary Weber on Lilly. (Submitted photo)

Local horseback riders hit the trails

On July 28, a group of local women joined up with other trail riders from surrounding counties to take part in the U.P. Equifest Poker Ride fundraiser.

The ride was organized to help raise money for the fourth annual U.P. Equifest, which will be held at the U.P. State Fairgrounds in Escanaba Sept.

28-30. The ride was held on the Pine Martin trail system in the Hiawatha National Forest. George Lyon of Manistique, a retired Hiawatha National Forest ranger, was instrumental in helping establish the trails.

Lyon's wife, Mary, was one of the participants in last month's ride.

Also joining the ride was Buck LeVasseur, host of WLUC TV's "Discovering" program, who aired a segment on the event during the July 30 edition of his show.

After the ride, a potluck was held and prizes awarded. For more information on the upcoming Equifest, go to www.uptequifest.com.

'Liberal' waterfowl regulations proposed

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service last week proposed continuing liberal hunting regulations for the upcoming 2007-2008 late waterfowl seasons due to improved habitat conditions and population estimates.

Duck hunting season lengths will be 60 days in both the Atlantic and Mississippi flyways, 74 days in the Central Flyway, and 107 days in the Pacific Flyway.

Based on spring duck numbers, improved breeding habitat conditions and an improved outlook for production in many breeding areas, we propose to give hunters a wide range of hunting opportunities," said Fish and Wildlife Service Director H. Dale Hall. "We have five species that are at record or near-record highs, including canvasbacks, and there are good breeding conditions on the prairies. However, we remain concerned that pintails and scaup have not yet responded to the improved habitat conditions and remain well below long-term averages."

States select their seasons from within the frameworks or the outer limits of season length, bag limits and dates. Brief highlights of the proposed frameworks include:

- Record populations allow for an extra canvasback in the bag in the Atlantic, Mississippi and Pacific Flyways. Due to the ongoing "Hunters' Choice" experiment in the Central Flyway, that flyway will continue with a one bird daily bag limit.
- The Central Flyway will continue into a second year of its three-year evaluation of the Hunter's Choice duck bag limit on hen mallards, canvasbacks, pintails and mottled ducks.
- A full season on pintails with a one bird daily bag limit will be similar to last year.
- The Atlantic Flyway will see an increase in the Atlantic brant season from 30 to 30 days.

Under earlier published regulations, the special September late season is available to certain states between Sept. 1 and 30, and may not exceed

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LMAS offers tips for dealing with 'the itch'

The LMAS District Health Department is once again advising people to watch out for that common summertime malady, swimmer's itch.

With lake water warming up, conditions are favorable for the snails that carry the parasite, which when touched by a swimmer create what is commonly called "swimmer's

Battle against Luce County fire continues

At press time Wednesday, a crew of approximately 220 people was continuing to battle the huge Sleeper Lake Fire in Luce County, north of Newberry. The blaze, which is believed to have been started by a lightning strike Aug. 2, had grown to nearly 20,000 acres in size, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Personal battling the blaze included firefighters from the DNR, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and numerous volunteer fire departments. Air support was being provided by Michigan National Guard helicopters from Camp Grayling, dropping water from 700-gallon and 2,000-gallon buckets. CL 215 water bombers from Minnesota were used on Tuesday before returning to their bases. Also on hand were personnel and equipment on loan from the Wisconsin DNR.

The fire was burning in a mostly roadless and difficult to access area roughly bordered by M-123, the main route between Newberry and Paradise, Cloverland Electric Cooperative shut off power from 8 Mile County to Deer Park.

After being closed for several days, M-123 was reopened at noon Tuesday, with a 25 mile per hour speed limit imposed between County Roads 407 and 550.

The Red Cross set up a shelter for evacuees at the Tahquamenon Area Schools, and area animal control officers established shelters to take domestic pets, including horses.

As of Tuesday night, the fire was reported to be about 10 percent contained. Rain during the evening hours Tuesday did little to help the fire suppression effort.

According to the DNR, "About 1/3 of an inch of rain showered firefighters on the line. No one went searching for an umbrella."

Crews were working to maintain, improve and extend their fire lines, including fortification of a line east of homes along County Road 407. The only solidly-controlled line was along M-123, the DNR said.

Firefighters also completed a road connecting M-123 and County Road 407, providing a substantial firebreak along the southern perimeter in anticipation of winds switching to the north or northwest on Wednesday. Crews also set a backfire in the area to eliminate fuel.

No injuries had been reported as of Wednesday morning and only one structure was lost, when a vacant building near Murphy Creek was

burned. The fire was one and again more than 15 in the Upper Peninsula this week.

On the Stonington Peninsula in Delta County, USDA Forest Service crews fought two blazes, a fire of more than 80 acres that began Saturday afternoon in a grassy area and another smaller fire that started about two miles farther south Monday afternoon.

The Sleeper Lake Fire is the largest in Michigan since the 1976 Seney Fire, which also started with a lightning strike, burned approximately 74,000 acres, and was not contained for more than two months.

The DNR has established a statewide toll-free hotline to provide regularly-updated information on the Sleeper Lake Fire, including current details on the location of the blaze, evacuation areas, road closures and some of the strategies being used by firefighters. The number is (877) 261-3473.

Updates are also being posted on the DNR Web site at www.michigan.gov/dnr.



Did you know the state of Michigan ranks third on the list for the sale of floriculture products? It's a fact. Only California and Florida outrank us. Considering these two states are gifted with nearly endless growing seasons it's not very surprising they rate top on the list.

What is surprising is good old Michigan, despite long, cold and harsh winters, manages to rate so highly.

It's probably exactly because our winters seem so interminably long that state-wide sales are so good. Once the snow departs and the weather begins to warm we can't resist the impulse to get outside and start planting and it's a proven fact many of us get carried away.

I have been having a difficult time keeping the window box at work adequately watered of late. Despite generous applications of water every morning, the following day will find all the plants showing signs of wilt. I really ought to start watering twice daily, once in the morning and again shortly before I leave for home.

Some of the difficulty I've been having with the window box can be attributed to the recent extreme heat and broiling sun, but that's not what all the problem stems from. A portion of the blame lies with the person who constructed the window box. It is much too shallow to be able to grow anything without frequent watering. The lack of depth combined with the profuse quantities of flowers I placed within the box earlier this summer, combine to create a situation which will require my constant attention for the remainder of the summer.

This flaw in the design of the window box is a very common mistake made by many home do-it-yourselfers. Your 'truly can be accounted among them. Check out the window boxes in front of our old store. They look like they are a respectable size but in truth, the actual planting space within is surprisingly small. The thing I didn't take into consideration while constructing the boxes was the thickness of the wood I used and the space that ended up being required for the framework of the boxes.

All told, by the time I was done with their construction, I had lost approximately 2" of interior space. That was a lot considering the boxes were only about 6' wide in the first place. I may have ended up with window boxes that were smaller than I would have liked, but I can say one good thing about them. They sure are sturdy!

You may reach me via email at teb@charter.net.

Seney wigwams reopen

After being shut down for 13 years, a landmark of 1977 in Schoolcraft County is open again. The wigwams at the Seney National Wildlife Refuge reopened last Saturday, Aug. 4.

Refuge officials say the reopening was thanks to the help and cooperation of the Seney Natural History Association, Seney and Genack townships, refuge staff, members, and numerous businesses and individuals.

The wigwams, located just north of the refuge entrance road, provide a covered picnic area. The site is equipped with picnic tables and a rustic bathroom. No water is available, and visitors must take out their own trash.

The show pools near the wigwams are available for fishing through Sept. 30. The wigwams will be open each year from May 15 to Oct. 15.

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EN 100-01-6	College Writing Skills	6-10:10 Tuesday	4 cr/4 ct	000475
EN 101-01-6	Phonetic & Composition	6-10:10 Monday	4 cr/4 ct	000476
MA 100-01-6	Basic Algebra	6-10:10 Wednesday	4 cr/4 ct	000477
PE 118-01-6	Beginning Golf	9-11 a.m. Sat; Sep 8-Oct 20	1 cr/2 ct	000478
PE 144-01-6	Effective Stress Management	8-9 Monday	2 cr/2 ct	000479
PS 111-01-6	American Government	6-10:10 Thursday	4 cr/4 ct	000480
PS 201-01-6	Introduction to Psychology	6-10:10 Tuesday	4 cr/4 ct	000481
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Obituaries

Mary E. Armstrong

Mary E. Armstrong, 81, of Manistique, Mich., died Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2007, at Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility in Manistique.

She was born Aug. 16, 1925, in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, the daughter of Percy and Elizabeth (Friend) Martin and graduated from high school in Riverside, Ontario.

On Oct. 4, 1946, she married Ronald W. Armstrong in Riverside. In 1955 they moved to St. Clair Shores, Mich. and later to Armada, Mich. In 1989, they moved to Manistique from Armada.

Mary was a self-employed piano teacher for many years. She was also an artist, primarily painting with oil.

She also enjoyed crocheting and knitting.

Survivors include: her husband, Ronald W. Armstrong of Manistique; daughter, Mary Susan (Gregory) Hauler of Whitehall, Mich.; three sons, James (Marie) Armstrong of Capac, Mich., Douglas (Kathy) Armstrong of Manistique and Stewart Armstrong of Rochester, Mich.; nine grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren; brother, Robert (Josephine) Martin of Palmyra, Va., along with several nieces and nephews.

Visitation was held from 2-6 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 5, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 6, at the funeral home with Mr. Gary Cooper officiating.

Burial will be held in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.



Phyllis Keller

Phyllis "Peggy" Keller, 78, of Gould City, Mich., died Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2007, at her home under the care of the LMAS Hospice and the Sault Tribe Elder Care Services.

She was born May 13, 1929, in LeVering, Mich., the daughter of Floyd and Rose (Deits) Irwin and attended school in LeVering. She moved to Gould City when she was in the 8th grade and graduated from the Gould City High School.

On June 21, 1947, the former Phyllis Irwin married Frank "Tom" Keller in the Irwin home in Gould City. They made their home in Gould City and later spent winters in Texas.

Peggy was a member of the Gould City Community Church, the Homemakers and the Boucha-Draves-Raski V.F.W. Auxiliary Post No. 8372 of Engadine for 20 years. She formerly served as president of the Gould City PTA and was a 4-H leader and Sunday school teacher. She was a homemaker and formerly employed as a clerk in a toy store in Potosky, Mich. and as a waitress at Jackson's Motel-Café-Bar in Gould City. She was known for her homemade candy, cookies and marzipan and enjoyed handicrafts, sewing, making bead ornaments and crossword puzzles. She spent many summers camping at Scotts Point and at Steak Fry in Simmons Woods.

Survivors include: her husband, Frank "Tom" of Gould City; son, Jeff (Carole) Keller of Gould City; two daughters, Vickie (Dan) Griggs of Livingston, Texas and Tammy (Bill) Johnson of Middleville, Mich.; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three sisters, Virginia "Gimpy" Baker, Nila "Babe" Kincaid-Ott and Priscilla (Pat) Bifoss; and brother, Frank Irwin.

Visitation will be from 12-1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 11, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistique, with V.F.W. Auxiliary memorial services at 12:50 p.m. Funeral services will follow at 1 p.m. with Reverend Al Valentine officiating. Burial will be in the Newton Township Cemetery at Gould City.

Memorials may be directed to the Gould City Community Church. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Bonifas exhibit open

"Celebration of the Upper Peninsula as Home," the newest exhibit at Escanaba's William Bonifas Fine Arts Center, opened last week and runs through September. The show is a collection of pieces in several media organized and sponsored by the Upper Peninsula Environmental Coalition (UPEC).

Eleven U.P. artists were invited to submit works that follow the theme. According to a UPEC statement, the resulting collection honors the "voices of artists who love the land and feel deeply connected to it," and at the same time reflects the feelings of many who choose to live in the relatively remote U.P.

Joyce Koskenmaki, UPEC board member and co-curator of the exhibit, said the purpose is twofold: to showcase the work of outstanding U.P. artists and to provide a thoughtful commentary on what it means to individual artists to call the U.P. home.

"Celebration" will tour museums and galleries in the area, with the Bonifas as the first stop and the show's premiere. An artists' reception will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 17. The public is invited.

For more information, call (906) 786-3833 or visit www.bonifasarts.org.



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County Fair

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Only two people participated in Thursday's Miss Schoolcraft County competition.

Taking the stage was a pair of experienced candidates: current queen Randi Vaughan and former queen Nichole Canary.

Vaughan was last year's runner-up but assumed the Miss Schoolcraft County title in midyear, when the previous queen was unable to fulfill her duties. Canary last won the crown in 2004.

At the end of the evening, Canary had reclaimed the title and was crowned Miss Schoolcraft County for 2007.

On Friday night, one boy and five girls stepped into the spotlight for the Little Miss/Little Prince competition.

Terren Nygard-Frankovich was crowned Little Prince while Shieyanne Johnson won the Little Miss title in a field that also included Kaylie Gould, Alyssa Syers, Sarah Barker and Lily Johnson.

Saturday was the lightest day on the fair schedule, but did include a new event, as people squared off in a hot dog-eating contest.

The event was well-received, though some people also missed the pie-eating competitions that had been held the last few years.

"I think we'll look at some kind of contest for each day of the fair," Andersen said. "They're simple, they're fun, and everyone enjoys them."

The fair made big gains in the number of animal exhibits, with both the horse and livestock barn and the small-animal building full to capacity.

ity. "We actually ran out of cages for small animals and had to scramble to get some more," Andersen said.

For the first time in recent memory, the fair included fitting and showing for livestock — another success that perhaps helped pave the way for an eventual return to annual livestock market auctions.

Other animal-related events also proved popular, including the traditional horse show speed events, daily demonstrations by the 4-Ever Horses 4-H Club Drill Team, a well-attended horse-and-rider costume exhibition, and a new "fun" horse show on Saturday.

"That was a first-time event, and no one knew how it would go," Andersen said. "But it went so well that we actually had to break a couple of the events into divisions."

Organizers were also pleased with the overall number of exhibits, as evidenced by the premiums paid out — \$2,600 in all.

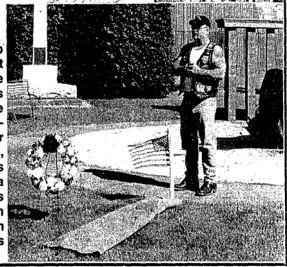
In the end, Andersen said, the fair could easily be judged a success, with a solid foundation laid for next year.

"Everything went great," he said. "We have a new fair board, but they're all hard workers. They're doers. We're still making improvements to the fair building and the barn, so they're looking better than ever. Attendance was good. People are happy. Going forward from here, we'll take a look at everything and see how we can build on it for the future."



Riding for the cause

Upper Peninsula members of the Forgotten Eagles made a stop at the Schoolcraft County Courthouse veterans' memorial last Thursday during their fourth annual Ride Around Michigan. The event is an awareness campaign for veterans' and POW issues and a fund-raiser for the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund. While here, the bikers joined the All-Vets Color Guard for a brief ceremony, visited the VFW Hall, then spent the night in Gulliver before traveling on. After completing a circle tour of the U.P., they headed downstate, where they met up with participants from other chapter rides at Houghton Lake and took part in a final ceremony at Mt. Pleasant. Above: The Forgotten Eagles (left) and audience members salute the flag as Manistique High School student Sonny St. John plays taps. Right: Forgotten Eagles State President Terrence Nelson of DeTour addresses the crowd. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)



The Fairhaven Farms Sheep Club exhibited for the first time this year at the Schoolcraft County Fair. Kneeling front center is David Rahn, behind him is John Rahn, standing from left are Gabi Peters, Nathan Rahn, Jamie Musselman, Allen Hendrickson, Tyler Baker, Makayla Gonder and Madison Gonder. Not pictured are Cameron and Jacob Steffy, Kimmy Mattson and Robert Burton. Also pictured are Fancy the sheep dog and Kelly the sheep. The club meets on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in Germkast. If you are interested in participating, call Kathy at 586-3047. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

Nursing completion offered

Lake Superior State University, in conjunction with Bay de Noc Community College, is getting ready to begin the next cohort for its bachelor of science in nursing — completion program.

The program for registered nurses provides the foundation for continuing professional development, with a curriculum designed to encourage and support students as they assume responsibility for their own learning. Courses are offered on a part-time basis to accommodate working nurses.

The cohort is scheduled to begin in the fall, with classes held at Bay College in Escanaba. For more information or an appointment, contact Kristen Kendrick, director of the LSSU Regional Center in Escanaba, at (906) 786-5802, ext. 1261, or kkendrick@lssu.edu.

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Mildred Forstner

Long-time resident celebrates her 100th

On Saturday, July 28, Mildred Forstner of Manistique celebrated her 100th birthday with friends and family at her home on Indian Lake.

Originally from Lansing, Mildred and her husband, Clifford, began building their Schoolcraft County lake house in 1954. They became full-time residents of the area after Clifford retired from the Lansing Board of Water and Light.

Family members say she enjoyed spending her centennial birthday surrounded by loved ones and well-wishers.

First Baptist to hold Bible school

Children in grades 1-6 are invited to attend this year's Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church in Manistique. The school runs Aug. 13-17, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The theme this year is "Son-Force Kids: God's courageous team of disciples standing side by side to serve Him."

As "Son Force special agents," participants will follow the words of Joshua 1:9: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

School director Jill Johnson said students will pursue five daily missions: Trust, Unite, Train, Follow and Lead, as they advance from Level 1 to Level 5 agents.

"We expect to have a great school, great teachers and lots of kids," Johnson says. "Children throughout the community are welcome."

First Baptist Church is located at 319 Walnut Street, across from the Schoolcraft County Courthouse. For more information, call the church office at 341-2814 or Johnson at 341-2765.

Births

ROCHFORD - TSgt. Christopher and Amber Rochefort are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Kaelin Nicole Rochefort. Kaelin was born at Northern Colorado Medical Center in Greeley, Colo., on July 23, 2007, at 5:14 a.m. She weighed 4 pounds, 12.7 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches in length.

The newborn's father is currently serving in Iraq with the United States Air Force.

She was welcomed home by her sister Callie Elizabeth.

Maternal grandparents are Randy and Theresa Hoffman of Greeley. Paternal grandparents are Brian and Shauna Rochefort of Garden, Mich.

Great-grandparents are Gladys Hawkins of Manistique, the late Patricia and Leslie Middaugh of Cooks, Mich., Norman and Ella Rochefort of Garden, Glen and Velma Ek-

berg of Greeley, and Fern Hoffman of Wray, Colo.

GOUDREAU - Announcing the birth of their daughter are Ron Goudreau and Michelle Weber of Manistique. Leah Marie Goudreau was born on Friday, July 20, 2007, at Marquette General Hospital at 6:05 p.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 19.7 inches in length.

LECLOUX - Norah Ann LeCloux was born Tuesday, June 5, 2007, at 12:38 a.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, Mich. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long. Her parents are Mike and Alison LeCloux of Ann Arbor.

Norah was welcomed home by her big brother Owen.

Her proud grandparents are Bill and Beth Malloch of Manistique, Mich. and Tom and Carol LeCloux of Stillwater, Minn.

Brow beating myself

Lois A. Corcoran

(Send your comments to corky@dnr.us.)

Eyes may be the mirrors of the soul but nothing reveals people's mood like their eye-BROWS. Mine reveal that I have trouble drawing them on.

My original brows were hard to ignore. They were thick and hairy and threatened to merge, so I thinned them out. A wax job taught me the hard way not to mess with nature, and I've browbeaten myself ever since.

Thus, I mark them in manually, an ongoing source of frustration. The big hurdle is get-

ting them even. If one arcs into a graceful curve, the other just off into left field.

When they DO match it seems I placed them too high. Like Ronald McDonald, I spend the day looking surprised. Astonished even.

Add to that the fact that they smudge easily. I've lost more brows inside a turtle-neck. Snug-fitting hats have kidnapped their share, too.

Sometimes I inadvertently delete them myself—like when

I smack a mosquito. Or realize I could've had a V-8.

Furthermore, I have yet to find the right tool for the job. Most eyebrow pencils are half the size of a No. 2, and they dull after one use—as if I scrawled the Constitution.

So I slide them into my official cosmetic sharpener, only to reduce them to splinters. Its sole purpose in life and it fails miserably.

After a quarter century of this nonsense, I'm ready to try something else. Plenty of alternatives exist these days, like:

Eyebrow tattoos - Unlike the pain they cause, these are permanent, lasting and—need I say?—irreversible. So you'd better get it right the first time.

Eyebrow embroidery - This also requires needles, but the result eventually fades. Which is just as well if you opted for French knots.

Semi permanent tattoos - These are applied with water, like the decals my son adds to his model cars. But do I really want flames over my peepers?

According to the powers that be, round brows soften faces, while angled ones look more youthful. Curved brows offer a more professional appearance. And straight brows are for people with long faces, which I've had ever since that was job.

These can all be achieved with stencils from Eyebrowz.com. The site offers 80 styles inspired by celebrities who, I understand, still retain theirs. At least they don't go around bleary.

So I'm trying to decide between Meg Ryan and Cindy Crawford. As a successor to Ron.

MPI and Western Lime schedule open house events

Two of Schoolcraft County's major manufacturers will be holding public open houses over the next week.

Manistique Papers Inc. is sponsoring a community appreciation day this Saturday, Aug. 11, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The event marks the first open house at the mill since it was purchased last fall by the Remark Paper Company. It will give the public a chance to tour the plant and see various aspects of the papermaking operation, including the new headbox and other upgrades installed earlier this summer at a cost of approximately \$7 million.

Mill tours will be available for anyone 12 years or older. No open-toed shoes or sandals will be allowed. The day will also feature refreshments, a children's activity tent, and free blood pressure and blood sugar screenings.

Next Thursday, Aug. 16, the public is invited to take their first look at Western Lime's new plant, located adjacent to O-N Minerals' Port Inland operation south of Gulliver.

The open house, which runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., will celebrate the grand opening of the facility, which went online in May.

The plant, which employs 25 full-time workers, uses lime-slate from O-N Minerals to manufacture lime, which is then shipped by rail and truck to buyers around the U.S. and Canada, for use in a variety of manufacturing and environmental applications. An estimated 256,000 tons of lime will be produced at the site each year.

The open house will include tours of the operation. Children 10 and over can take tours if accompanied by an adult. Close-toed shoes and long pants must be worn.

At a private event later in the day, Western Lime officials will be presenting the state of Michigan with a Business Leadership Award, thanking them for their support in making the \$40 million facility a reality.



Jay Gilchrist (left) and Bryan Hyska of the local Wells Fargo branch present a \$7,500 contribution to Recreation Director Judie Reid. The donation for the upcoming Central Park project will leverage Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund dollars at a three-to-one rate, resulting in an additional \$22,500 for the project. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

Wells Fargo joins 'Central Park Club' with rec project donation

Wells Fargo is the newest member of Manistique's "Central Park Club," the list that recognizes donors to the city's upcoming recreation improvement project. The bank recently donated \$7,500 to help with the project.

"Wells Fargo has a long history and strong commitment to community involvement and giving in the Manistique area," said Jay Gilchrist, the bank's store manager in Manistique. "The Manistique Central Park will play an important role in our community and provide much needed recreational space for our youth and all Manistique residents."

The bulk of funding for the recreation project is coming from the major grant the city received in 2004 from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund. That grant will supply up to \$424,000 for the project - but the precise figure depends on the amount of local

matching funds, in-kind labor and materials that are received. City Recreation Director Judie Reid said the Wells Fargo contribution is a significant boost to their fund-raising efforts.

With every dollar of local match leveraging three dollars in grant funds, the donation will result in another \$22,500 available for the project.

At Monday night's meeting of the city recreation board, members reviewed the upcoming construction.

A pre-bid meeting for prospective contractors was held Tuesday, and bids are due in to the city by Aug. 14. City Council is expected to review the bids and award a contract at their Aug. 20 meeting.

At the same time, the city is awaiting engineering plans for several portions of the work that fall under the city's local match, including clean-up of areas near the Maple Street

band shell, brushing property on the west side of Quarry Lake, and construction of a walking trail on that side of the lake.

Together, the first phase of the project will include such things as a new entrance road from Elm Street, enhanced parking, an archery range, a restroom, a new beach on the north end of the lake, plus fishing piers and the walking trail.

If enough money is available, city officials would also like to construct new basketball and tennis facilities on Maple Street.

Future phases could include a renovated baseball field, as well as a nature area and hiking trails over and around the old ski hill.

To increase the amount of grant funds available, contributions of money, labor and materials are still being sought. To donate or learn more, contact City Hall at 341-2290.

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The Bourne Ultimatum
RATED PG-13 Running time: 111 minutes
All he wanted was to disappear; instead, Jason Bourne is now hunted by the people who made him what he is—legendary assassin. Having lost his memory and the one person he loved, he is unlettered by the barrage of bullets and a new generation of highly-trained killers. Bourne has only one objective: to go back to the beginning and find out who he was. Now, in the new chapter of this espionage series...

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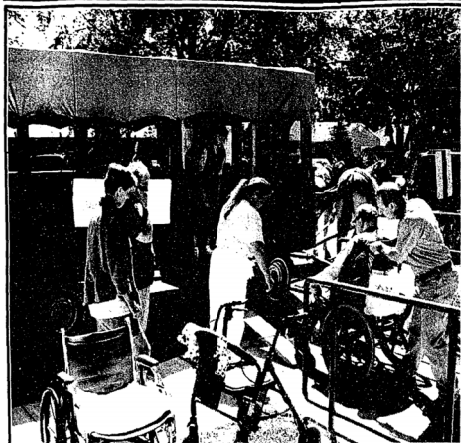
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Residents at the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility had the chance to enjoy activities at last weekend's County Fair — and some unique transportation to get there. With the cooperation of MCF staff and fair volunteers, the residents were picked up each afternoon by Don Strahl's mule-drawn wagon and given a scenic ride to the fairgrounds. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

Orientation set for Bay's online students

Online students at Bay de Noc Community College are being urged to attend one of several upcoming orientation sessions. College officials say the sessions, designed for both new and experienced students, will provide important information to help people become successful in the online program.

Sessions at the main campus in Escanaba will be held in the Student Computing Center of the Joseph Heirman University Center.

The first will take Monday, Aug. 20, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., the second on Tuesday, Aug. 21, from 3 to 4:30 p.m., and the third on Wednesday, Aug. 29, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

A session at the west campus in Iron Mountain will take place Monday, Aug. 20, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Eastern time.

Students who have laptop computers with wireless capability should bring their laptops with them.

Students are also asked to RSVP with the date and time of the session they plan on attending.

To RSVP or learn more, contact Peg Bartel at (906) 786-5802, ext. 1209, or bartelp@baycollege.edu. You can also contact Ann Sebeck at the same phone number, ext. 1304, or sebecka@baycollege.edu.

Exchange student program seeks host families for the coming year

Students from overseas are heading for Upper Michigan, and the group that's sponsoring their visit is looking for host families.


Youth for Understanding (YFU) provides exchange study opportunities to students 15-18 from 50 partner countries, including Hungary, Switzerland, Japan, Argentina, China, Brazil, Germany, Thailand, Australia, South Korea, Sweden and others.

The 2007 group of students will be arriving this month, and YFU Field Director Lars Vinz said last week that they still need families to host them in northern Michigan.

Hosts can be couples with or without children of their own, single parents with children, and single people with no children.

According to Vinz, the foreign students speak English, have their own spending money, good health insurance, and a commitment to live by the rules and values spelled out by YFU.

For more information on the program, go to www.yfu.us, or contact Vinz at (231) 625-2880 or vinz@yfu.org.



Upcoming Explorer Programs at Indian Lake State Park

August 14 Noon to 2 p.m.
The Big Spring
Meet at Palms Book State Park to uncover the mystery in a box. What in the wild is inside? This program will inspire the naturalist in everyone.

August 14 3 to 4 p.m.
Beach Books
Meet at the beach and discover more about dinosaurs in this informal 40-minute program.

August 16 3 to 4 p.m.
Crafty Crafting
Meet at the beach shelter to make a special keepsake.


August 16 10 to 11 p.m.
Celestial Celebration
What are all those bright night lights? Is the sky full of trash or treasure? Meet on the beach in front of the shelter to explore the northern heavens. Dress for the weather and don't forget bug spray.

August 17 3 to 4 p.m.
Awesome Avian
Learn more about the habits of owls, osprey, hawks and eagles in this informative 40-minute program.

August 18 2 to 4 p.m.
Kitch-tiki-kipi
Meet at Palms Book State Park to learn about regional history on a raft ride over the crystal clear water of the Big Spring.

August 18 9:30 to 10:30 p.m.
Bat Watch
Are bats scary, creepy creatures? Do they deserve the bad image given by popular culture? Meet on the path by the beach shelter for a walk and uncover the truth about Michigan's only flying mammal.

Unless otherwise stated, all programs meet at the first bathrooms near the Indian Lake State Park camp office. Programs are free and open to people of all ages, but children must be accompanied by an adult. A motor vehicle permit is required for park entry. For more information, call 341-2355.



Quick and Easy MOUNDS CAKE

1 pkg chocolate cake mix
24 large marshmallows
1 cup evaporated milk
1 cup sugar
1 pkg coconut

1/2 cup milk
1 1/2 cup sugar
1 stick oleo or butter
1 1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

Follow directions on cake mix and pour into 9x13 or jelly roll pan. Bake until done.

In medium saucepan, heat marshmallows, 1 cup evaporated milk and 1 cup sugar until sugar is dissolved and marshmallows are melted. Stir in coconut and pour over cake.

In medium saucepan, heat remaining sugar, milk, and butter until mixture boils. Remove from heat and add chocolate chips. Stir until melted and well blended. Pour over coconut layer. Cool until set.

You do not have to wait for the cake to cool before adding coconut mixture or chocolate topping.

'Friends' group hosting this year's Heritage Day at Fayette townsite

For the 21st year in a row, Fayette Historic State Park will host its Heritage Day celebration.

The always-popular living history event, designed to recreate late-19th century life in the former iron-smelting town, takes place this Saturday, Aug. 11, beginning at noon.

Originally sponsored by the state of Michigan, this year's Heritage Day is funded by the volunteer group known as the Friends of Fayette Historic Townsite.

Saturday's schedule includes musical performances by Carl Behrend, Randi Chandler, the Lost Lake Effect Band, with instruments, waltzes, vocals, and a variety of traditional, folk and bluegrass music.

4 p.m.: Raffle drawing for an original Paul Rose framed photograph of Fayette's Snail Shell Harbor. Tickets on sale throughout the day.

4:30 p.m.: Baseball 1880s style at the race track/ball field site.

Fayette Historic State Park features 20 restored and preserved buildings, including the former town's furnace complex, the hotel, town hall, company office and several residences. Eleven buildings contain exhibits and are open to the public, among them the modern visitor center, which features a scale model of the townsite.

Admission to Fayette Historic State Park is by daily pass or annual vehicle sticker. For more information, call 644-2711 or www.michigan.gov/fayettetownsite.

Masons to hold their picnic at the Pines

Lakeside Lodge 371 will host the Masonic Family Picnic on Saturday, Aug. 18, beginning at 1 p.m., at Pines Park on US-2 east of Manistique.

The meal — Sam Johnson's chicken barbecue — will be served around 2 or 2:30 p.m. Everyone should bring a table service and a dish to pass. Pop and water will be provided.

All Masons, their families and friends are encouraged to attend.

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This event is in coordination with the CUPAD grand and the Gulliver Historical Society Inc.

Senior Center

Congratulations go out to the recent raffle ticket winners. Marie Barr won the crocheted afghan, which was donated by Elsie Johnson. My how we at the Center miss Elsie. She was always so good to the Center.

Rita Peterson made a beautiful crocheted doll, which was won by Arleen Turner. Rita dropped by my office today to donate one of her dolls for our upcoming Open House, which is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 6.

Matt Weber won the three-section pan, which was given to the Center by Esther Czarnik. Ruth Ann Ritter won the small crocheted dolly that Rita Rossier gave. Looks like a lot of time involved to just giving it away, Rita.

Nancy Cheney is famous for her homemade oven mitts. The lucky winner was Rosalie Miller. Speaking of Nancy Cheney, her name was also drawn. She won an artificial floral wreath.

We sincerely wish to thank each and every one of you who so generously give for our raffles, along with those who take the time to purchase tickets.

Did you know that the UP State Fair has been around since 1927? I found it interesting that the activities included horse racing, a cow-calling contest, horseshoe pitching, carnival rides, circus and vaudeville acts were the highlights, along with fireworks closing the fair each night.

Special interest was the first auto racing in Escanaba. A long tradition was when the Governor made a special visit that first week. He combined a tour of the iron-foregrounds, with the dedication ceremonies of the peninsula's first airport, which was also in Escanaba. The Upper Peninsula Airways, Inc. was originally built north of the city, between Escanaba and Gladstone.

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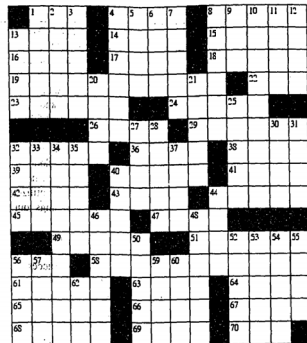
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both within the Department of Corrections and the state budget itself. Last week's town meeting once again featured extended discussions of the \$1.8 billion shortfall predicted in Michigan next year. At one point, those talks slipped into partisan bickering over so-called "philosophical differences" in the legislature, with the Democrats - Lindberg, McDowell and visiting Rep. Alma Wheeler Smith of Salem Township - expressing the need for tax increases and the Republican Caspersen saying structural reforms must come first.

There was also much discussion of legislative efforts to reform the state's sentencing guidelines and the Michigan Prisoner Reentry Initiative, a pilot program aimed at releasing inmates and reducing the recidivism rate, which Smith said was currently at 48 percent, one of the highest in the nation.

Carpus said those efforts will eventually lead to smaller prison populations, which in turn means fewer correctional facilities will be needed. "The pendulum is swinging, not just here but across the country," Caruso told the audience, noting that corrections currently accounts for a quarter of the state's total budget.

"People are saying we're spending an enormous amount of money to incarcerate people and not getting anything in return. We have to fix that. As populations go down, we have to close facilities. That's where the savings are."

Since 2002, a number of facilities have already been closed, Caruso said. That includes other camps similar in size to Camp Manistique, which currently houses 264 prisoners.

Several larger facilities downstate have also been closed. Caruso said Manistique was the first U.P. facility targeted for closure, and that there were no immediate plans to shut down any others in the region.

He emphasized that the decision had nothing to do with the camp staff, operation or management, but was based on the fact that the employees could move into open positions at nearby facilities.

If she shut down a prison somewhere else, she said, employees could find themselves out of work or have to "hit the road for six or seven hours" to travel to a different assignment.

Caruso said she was sympathetic to the concerns of camp employees and the general public, many of whom spoke about the impact a closure would have on their families and the local economy.

Fred Makowski, chief executive officer of Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital, suggested that the decision could even harm the prospects for a new hospital.

SMH is currently awaiting a decision from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, which is reviewing an application for a 100 percent guarantee of a hospital construction loan.

At the very least, Makowski said, if HUD knew the community might be losing two to three percent of its jobs and the good health care coverage that goes with them, "they would have some more questions for us."

"All things being equal, you have to look at what this is doing to the community," Makowski said. "Is it disruptive or devastating? This is close to devastation."

Manistique Area Schools Superintendent John Chandler agreed, asking Caruso to take into consideration the effect of the closure on projects like the hospital and the new Emerald Elementary School that will open later this year.

Hospital COO Strand took it a step further. "Let's not have a school or a new hospital," she said. "It's the people in those buildings and what they bring to the community."

Caruso said making the closure decision was difficult. "I agonize over this. I lose sleep over it. But I know it's right for the long term of this system," she said.

Later in the meeting, she said reversing the decision would mean closing a prison somewhere else.

"If I say you guys convinced me and we're going to change this, I'm going to find myself sitting in another courtroom, listening to all the same things, because they apply to all of our facilities," she said.

McKinney expressed doubts about some of the reform ideas discussed during the meeting. He said sentencing changes would essentially move the burden of housing prisoners from the state to counties.

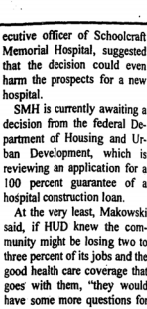
Likewise, it would be hard to transfer responsibility for the large population of mentally ill prisoners to local and regional mental health agencies, which McKinney said would be "gutted" in recent years.

"Cost shifting is not the answer," he said. "It's penny wise and pound foolish. I hope we can take the time to find a more fiscally-wise solution to the problems around the state."

He echoed those comments this week, looking ahead to the upcoming workgroup meetings.

"Closing Camp Manistique is not going to fix the state's budget problems," he said. "I hope we can take the time to look at some real solutions."

Hoholik and Levin re-elected to lead board



Two Schoolcraft County residents will continue to lead the Manistique-Delta-Schoolcraft County Action Agency Executive Committee over the next year. Ernest Hoholik (above, left) and Ingmar Levin (right) were recently re-elected as chairman and vice chairman of the committee. Also pictured are executive committee members Mary Mayer of Menominee County, Dave Schultz of Delta County, Secretary Jim Dubard of Delta County, Treasurer Bernice Weichich of Menominee County and Ruth Helwig of Delta County. Not pictured: George Lyon of Schoolcraft County and Lloyd Benson of Menominee County. (Submitted photo)

Waterfowl

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nine consecutive days in the Atlantic Flyway and 16 days in the Mississippi and Central Flyways. The daily bag limit is four total.

The seasons for September Canada goose, youth hunting days, sea ducks, snipe, woodcock, rails, common moorhens and purple gallinules, sandhill cranes, hand-tailed pigeons, mourning doves, white-winged and white-tipped doves and falconry will continue with little change from last year.

Highlights of the proposed late-season framework for the Mississippi Flyway, including Michigan:

Ducks: A hunting season is proposed of not more than 60 days between Sept. 22 and Jan. 27. The proposed daily bag limit is six and may include no more than four mallards (two hens), three mottled ducks, two scaup, two wood ducks, two redheads, one black duck, one pintail, and two canvasbacks. The proposed daily bag limit of mergansers is five, only two

of which may be hooded mergansers. Greese: Generally, seasons for Canada geese would be limited between Sept. 22 and Jan. 31, and vary in length among states and areas, with daily bag limits varying from one to three. States would be able to select seasons for light geese not to exceed 107 days, with 20 geese daily between Sept. 22 and March 10, for white-

fronted geese the proposed season would not exceed 72 days, with a two-bird daily bag limit or 86 days with a one-bird daily bag limit between Sept. 22 and Feb. 17. For brant and other geese, the proposed season would not exceed 70 days with a two-bird daily bag limit or 107 days with a one-bird daily bag limit between Sept. 22 and Jan. 31. There would be no possession limit for light geese.

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DOUBLE TAKE

By Mark Szarecky



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HOROSCOPES Aug. 13 - Aug. 19

Your Horoscope by Charles Cooper. ARIES (March 21 to April 19) ... SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ... TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) ... SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

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 - forwards, backwards, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find today's 20 words?

Today's Category: DOG BREEDS

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SMH Flower Show winners chose

One of the area's oldest summertime traditions continued at the Indian Lake Golf and Country Club this week, as the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Auxiliary held its annual Flower Show and Tea. The event took place Monday, Aug. 6.

Judging took place in a number of different categories, with recognition for the top three arrangements in each group.

The day also featured refreshments and a program presented by Ron Annelin, who discussed birding in the Upper Peninsula.

The flower show winners:

ANNUALS

First place, Nancy Whaling; Second place, Nancy Whaling; Third place, Nancy Whaling.

PERENNIALS

First place, Sue Bellville; Second place, Nancy Whaling; Third place, Sue Bellville.

HOUSE PLANTS AND

AFRICAN VIOLETS

First place, Julie Baker; Second place, Deanna Fish; Third place, Fran Heinrich.

UNUSUAL DESIGN

First place, Sue Bellville; Second place, Sue Bellville; Third place, Louise Burson.

MINIATURES

First place, Deloris Smith; Second place, Sue Bellville; Third place, Nancy Whaling.

GARDEN BOUQUETS

First place, Paula Olson; Second place, Nancy Whaling;



Standing with their first-place arrangements following Monday's annual Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Flower Show and Tea (from left): Sue Bellville, Cora Lutzenberger, Nancy Whaling, Becky Andersen (substituting for her nieces, Bethany and Abigail Kowatch), Paula Olson, Deloris Smith and Fran Heinrich. Not pictured: first-place winner Julie Baker. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

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| CHILDREN
First place, Bethany and Abigail Kowatch; Second place, Lauren Larsen. | WEEDS AND WILDFLOWERS
First place, Nancy Whaling; Second place, Rita Salter; Third place, Carol Nelson. | ARTIFICIAL
First place, Fran Heinrich; Second place, Deloris Smith; Third place, Deloris Smith. |
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Election

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A veteran of county government who had previously served on the board for many years before being recalled in 1998, Lauzon said Tuesday that he wasn't thinking about politics. After spending much of the past few months grappling with the county's ongoing budget problems, he saw his election victory as an opportunity to continue that work.

"We've got to sit down and figure out where we're going to go," he said. "The county

hasn't had a balanced budget since 2003. That's got to change. We will have a balanced budget, but we've got to start new and we've got to cut."

Lauzon said his top priority will be rebuilding the county's delinquent tax revolving fund, and making sure it is no longer used to cover routine expenditures or make up for budget shortfalls.

"Everyone on the board's got to agree that we use the DTR only for extreme emer-

gencies," he said. "There are so many things we can do to make the county better, but we've got to get the budget under control and we've all got to be on the same page."

In District 4 (city Precinct 3), Democratic newcomer Zellar defeated Erickson 150-44 to win the seat now held by Jean Barber.

Barber was originally appointed in May 2006 to fill the vacancy left by Scott Charlier's resignation. Her appointment was extended in January, when the recently-elected Susan Phillips could not take office due to Hatch Act conflicts.

Barber had expressed interest in running for her seat, but also encountered Hatch Act issues, due to the federal funds utilized by her employer, the Menominee Delta School District, Community Action Agency.

For Erickson, running without a party affiliation, the election marked his second unsuccessful attempt to reclaim the seat he held for two terms, before being defeated in 2004. He had previously lost to Phil-

lips in last November's general election.

Zellar said he was grateful for the support of the district's voters.

"I'll be getting my feet wet," he said. "I've got a lot to learn, but I'm looking forward to getting started."

Election results were due to be certified by the county's Board of Canvassers today (Thursday). Assuming that process goes smoothly, Lauzon and Zellar will officially take office at tonight's meeting of the county's audit-finance committee.

Both will serve the remainder of the current term, which ends Dec. 31, 2008. If they wish to keep serving after that time, they will have to run in next year's primary and general election.

The turnout ranged from a low of 69 percent in Gemfask Township to a high of 183 percent in city Precinct 3.

Bluegrass group slated next in band shell series

The fifth annual Music in Manistique concert series continues next Wednesday, Aug. 15, when the Marquette-area bluegrass band Chasin' Steel returns for a 7 p.m. performance at the Maple Street band shell.

A popular U.P. band with a growing national reputation, Chasin' Steel is made up of avid anglers, who take their name from the steelhead they like to pursue.

They are a traditionally structured bluegrass group, with the majority of their songs featuring banjo, mandolin, guitar and acoustic bass, along with three- and four-part harmonies. However, their hard-driving tunes have led some to describe their music as "bluegrass with a rock and roll attitude."

The group has earned a loyal following in this area

with several previous appearances, including performances at the 2005 Folk Fest and Music in Manistique concerts in 2005 and 2006.

The free concert on Aug. 15 will take place rain or shine, moving into Little Bear West Arena in case of inclement weather.

Music in Manistique is sponsored by Youth Entertaining Teen Interests (YETI), the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce, the Schoolcraft County Community Foundation and area businesses.

Chasin' Steel's appearance is sponsored by Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital.

The 2007 music series continues on Aug. 22 with this year's second appearance by the U.P. string band White Water and concludes Aug. 29 with local rock and roll band Epyc.

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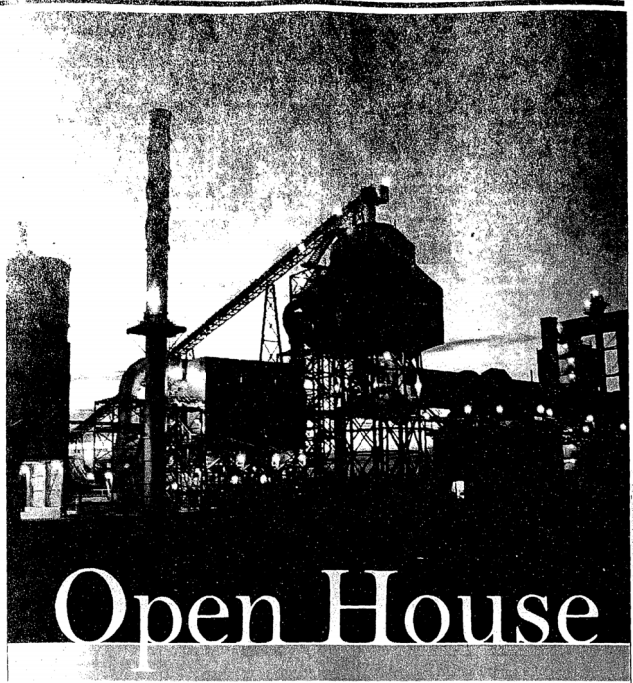
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C.U.P. girls' softball ended their regular season with a double elimination tournament the first part of July. Capturing the tournament title was State Savings Bank. The team consisted of (front row left) Abby Schwartz, Madison Berry, Syrea McDonald, Kara Salo, Kamryn Hoeszee, (back row) Allie Nagy, Sarah Hamiel, Ashley Menominee, Hannah Gould, Amber Smith and Taylor Rodman. They were coached by Scott and Marrie Hoeszee.



Second place went to mBank. Pictured front row left are Megan Boyd, McKenna Gohat, Mia Hyland, Cassidy Garvin, (middle row) Becca Johnson, Laura Upton, Rachelle Singley, Alison Casey, Brittney Paradise, Shelby Saffer, Georgia Johnson, (back row) coaching staff: Zip Boyd, Jill Johnson, Martha Johnson, Jim Saffer and Kris Boyd.



The Dairy Kream team placed third. Pictured front row left are Natasha Joslin, Madison Kraatz, Renea Schuetter, Calli Ansell, (back row) Coach Wendy Joslin, Holly Blowers, Sydney Chartier, Olivia Holmberg, Kelsey Morgan, Sammi Williams, Amanda Ziminski and Coach Amy Kraatz.



Falling in fourth place was Emerald City Dental Center. Team members were (front row, left) Ally McKinney, Alexis Russell, Karah Green, Madison Russell, (back row) Coach Laurie McKinney, Emily Bauman, Lindsay Knuth, Lexi Carlson and Coach Dan McKinney. (Submitted photos)



The 2007 fall sports season got underway this week at high schools all around Michigan with the beginning of football practices. In Manistique, that meant a busy schedule for the Emeralds, who started workouts on Monday. In keeping with the rules, the teams conducted three days of conditioning, without pads, before beginning contact practices. Other fall sports — which this year, for the first time in Michigan, means girls' volleyball instead of basketball — start their practice sessions Aug. 13. Top: Emerald varsity head coach Todd Kangas instructs his players. Middle: Assistant coach Ed Marietti oversees a workout. Bottom: New junior varsity coach Chris Marana talks to his squad. The Emeralds open their season Aug. 24 at Negaunee. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)



The Paquin's Sand and Gravel women's slowpitch softball team from Delta County included several players from the Manistique area on its 2007 roster. The squad recently wrapped up its season with a 19-1 record, a league championship, and a 4-0 championship finish in last weekend's tournament. Front row, from left: Barb Landis, Angie Zellar, Judi Skradski, Amy Gibbs, Carmella Cole. Back Row: Anne Okonek, Stephanie Gravelle, Samantha Shepek, K.C. Blahnik, team sponsors Eva and Frank Paquin, Candace Swetkis, Holly Hereau, Brenda Madden. Not pictured: Elise Gregoire, Lou Congdon, Lorrie Botruff, Wendy Mattson and Samantha Bizeau. (Submitted photo)

Tourney ends the season for Delta County league

The 2007 Delta County Women's Softball League season wrapped up last weekend with some stunning upsets, but when the dust had settled Sunday afternoon, the league champions from Paquin's Sand and Gravel had also claimed the tournament championship.

On Friday night, Paquin's met Wally's Bar and came away with a 21-9 victory. Paquin's collected 28 hits in the effort. K.C. Blahnik and Brenda Madden each went five for five and Blahnik hit the cycle, collecting two singles, a double, a triple and a home run. Sam Shepek went two for two for Paquin's. Tammy Davis slapped a home run for Wally's.

In the first game on Saturday morning, Cat 1 stunned league runner-up Bowl-A-Rama with an 11-4 upset.

On Saturday afternoon, Paquin's met Cat 2 and advanced into the semi-finals with a 10-1 victory, collecting 12 hits. Candy Swetkis pitched a five-hitter. Camella Cole, Barb Landis and Anne Okonek each went two for three.

Cat 1, fired up and determined from their upset of Bowl-A-Rama, continued their winning ways by upsetting Pike's Distributing 12-10.

On Sunday morning, Paquin's and Cat 1 faced off in the semifinal game, and Paquin's racked up 18 hits enroute to a 19-0 victory, placing them in the finals undefeated. Amy Gibbs slapped a home run and Stephanie Gravelle was two for three with a double and a triple. Angie Zellar was two for two with a triple, and Judi Skradski received an award for her outstanding defensive play at second base.

In the loser's bracket, IMS faced off against Bowl-A-Rama and handed the league runner-up their second loss of the weekend in a 9-4 upset. IMS then went on to face Cat 1 in the final loser's bracket game and continued their role of tournament spoiler, upsetting IMS by scoring one run in the bottom of the 7th for an 11-10 victory. Laurel Ashbrook had an exceptional tournament, with three inside-the-park home runs on Sunday morning, as well as several outstanding defensive plays in the outfield.

Blahnik and Holly Hereau each won three for four, with each ripping a home run.

Paquin's opened the game with two runs, but Cat 1 collected four in the bottom of the first.

Paquin's got two more runs in the third inning to tie the game, then went up 5-4 in the top of the fifth.

Not to be intimidated, Cat 1 tied it up in the bottom of the fifth, but Paquin's was able to get one more run across in the top of the sixth and capture in the top of the seventh to narrow the championship with a narrow 7-5 victory.

Blahnik and Holly Hereau each won three for four, with each ripping a home run.

Theut picked for national team

Kimberly Theut, the great-niece of long-time Manistique resident Phyllis Toyra, has been selected to play on the Under-18 Women's National Hockey Team.

Theut will join 19 other select players in Lake Placid, N.Y., for seven days of intensive training and workouts in preparation for a three-game series against Canada's U18 team.

The brief series pitting Canada's top players and the U.S. select team will take place in Ottawa Aug. 23-26.

In addition to that series, the U.S. squad will take part in the first-ever International Ice Hockey Federation U18 Women's World Tournament. The inaugural championship will include the best female players under 18 from eight countries. The championship will be held at a yet-to-be-determined Canadian city Jan. 7-13, 2008.

The tournament will include



Kimberly Theut with her great-aunt Phyllis Toyra of Manistique in a picture taken several years ago at a hockey tournament in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. (Submitted photo)

national teams from Canada, the U.S., Sweden, Finland, Germany, Switzerland, Russia and the Czech Republic.

Theut is the daughter of Joseph and Denise Theut. They live in downstate Harrison Township.

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Organizers of Project Backpack held a special donation day at the Manistique Pamida store last Saturday. The campaign is gathering up school supplies, clothing and personal hygiene items to help children in need for the upcoming school year.

District Court

Sharon Jean Auge, 38, of Manistique, pleaded guilty in 93rd District Court to defrauding an innkeeper (5/07). She was assessed \$45 state costs, \$150 statute fine, \$50 crime victim rights assessment, \$200 statute costs, \$351 restitution, \$796 total. She was sentenced to 20 days in jail and received credit for one day served. Optional jail term 35 days. Pete Douglas Burton, 42, of Curtis, charged with expired registration (6/07). Assessed \$110. John Steven Denkins, 53, of Manistique, was bound over from 93rd District Court to 11th Judicial Circuit Court on one count of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder (6/07). Christopher Clark Durkin, 23, of Manistique, plead guilty in 93rd District Court to disorderly, loud noise (7/07). He was assessed \$40 state costs, \$150 ordinance fine, \$50 crime victim rights assessment, \$240 total. Optional jail term 15 days. Landon James Edwards, 18, of Manistique, was bound over from 93rd District Court to 11th Judicial Circuit Court on two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon, one count of felony firearms, and one count of assault and battery (7/07). Charlotte Ann Mikaska, 48, of Newberry, charged with driving 65 mph in a 55 mph zone (7/07). Assessed \$100. Richard Wayne Neal, 67, of Sault Ste. Marie, charged with driving 55 mph in a 50 mph zone (7/07). Assessed \$100. James Larkin Smith, 52, of Manistique, plead guilty in 93rd District Court to failure to stop after collision and driving on a suspended license (6/07). He was assessed \$80 state costs, \$300 statute costs, \$210 statute fines, \$50 crime victim rights assessment, \$640 total. He was sentenced to three days in jail. Jail term may be substituted with completion of 36 hours of community service. Optional jail term 70 days. Joel Gordon Smith, 16, of Manistique, charged with careless driving (7/07). Assessed \$155.

Erick Scott Faketty, 29, plead guilty in 93rd District Court to disorderly person, drunk (4/06). He was assessed \$250 statute fine, \$120 attorney fees, \$50 crime victim rights assessment, \$100 statute costs, \$400 total. He was sentenced to 20 days in jail and received credit for one day served. Optional jail term 35 days. Michele Marie Flynn, 29, of Manistique, charged with burning prohibited material (7/07). Assessed \$80. Peter James Jacobs, 47, of Manistique, charged with driving on wrong side of undivided highway (7/07). Assessed \$115. Erick John Larson, 23, of Chassell, charged with driving 60 mph in a 55 mph zone (7/07). Assessed \$100. Dustin James Lee, 20, of Munising, was bound over from 93rd District Court to 11th Judicial Circuit Court on one count of breaking and entering a building with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder (6/07). Assessed \$100. Kevin Earl Plante, 24, of Gladstone, charged with driving 65 mph in a 55 mph zone (5/07). Assessed \$100. Christopher Isaac Pawley, 19, of Manistique, charged with undersized fish (5/07). Assessed \$135. Lisa Marie Schnurer, 38, of Manistique, charged with failure to yield (7/07). Assessed \$100. James Larkin Smith, 52, of Manistique, plead guilty in 93rd District Court to failure to stop after collision and driving on a suspended license (6/07). He was assessed \$80 state costs, \$300 statute costs, \$210 statute fines, \$50 crime victim rights assessment, \$640 total. He was sentenced to three days in jail. Jail term may be substituted with completion of 36 hours of community service. Optional jail term 70 days. Joel Gordon Smith, 16, of Manistique, charged with careless driving (7/07). Assessed \$155.

Arbor Day Foundation offers blue spruce trees

The National Arbor Day Foundation is continuing its long-running membership campaign by giving 10 Colorado blue spruce trees to anyone who joins this month. The trees will be shipped postpaid. Members also receive a copy of "The Tree Book," with information about tree planting and care. To receive the trees, send \$10 by Aug. 31 to: Ten Blue Spruces, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410. You can also join at www.arborday.org.

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, July 31, 2007 1:03 a.m. Assault, U.S. Highway 2 4:25 a.m. Suspicious smoke, U.S. Highway 2 5:05 a.m. Bright light, harassment, Chippewa Avenue 8:50 a.m. Suspicious situation, within city of Manistique 11:47 a.m. Animal complaint, Fourth Street 1:15 p.m. Emergency Medical Service (EMS), transfer to Marquette 2:35 p.m. Suspicious situation, within city of Manistique 3:10 p.m. Unwanted person, Oak Street 3:15 p.m. Animal neglect, First Street 4 p.m. Probation violation, Manistique resident arrested and lodged on probation violation 7 p.m. Possible breaking and entering, Range Street 7:51 p.m. EMS, Inwood Township 9:35 p.m. Burning complaint, Chippewa Avenue 9:45 p.m. Unwanted contact, Cedar Street 10:25 p.m. Juvenile mischief, Arbutus Avenue Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2007 12:30 a.m. Loud children, Maple Street 1 a.m. Missing tent, Houghton Avenue 3:25 a.m. Loud music, Cherry Street 3:40 a.m. Unwanted phone calls, Cherry Street 3:45 a.m. Disturbance, Maple Street 6:05 a.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette 8:45 a.m. Found property, Maple Street 11:05 a.m. Suspicious situation, within city of Manistique 11:40 a.m. Non-sufficient fund check, Chippewa Avenue 12:10 p.m. Animal check, Fourth Street 1 p.m. Traffic vision obstruction, Fifth Street 1:15 p.m. Larceny, Deer Street 2:30 p.m. Illegal yard sale sign, Chippewa Avenue and Deer Street 2:42 p.m. Animal check, First Street 3:25 p.m. Disabled vehicle, Maple Street 6 p.m. Attended breaking and entering, U.S. Highway 2 8:06 p.m. Child custody dispute, Deer Street 10:40 p.m. Fight in progress, Cedar Street Thursday, Aug. 2, 2007 3:45 a.m. Suspicious situation, Fourth Street 6:55 a.m. Alarm, Main Street 8:27 a.m. Assault, Cherry Street 9:38 a.m. Animal complaint, Deer Street 12:15 p.m. Found registration plate, Arbutus Avenue 1:20 p.m. Returned property, Maple Avenue 1:30 p.m. Animal complaint, U.S. Highway 2 2:25 p.m. Citizen assist, Deer Street 2:30 p.m. Harassment, within city of Manistique 3:35 p.m. Domestic dispute, Arbutus Avenue 3:55 p.m. Burn permit, U.S. Highway 2 4:30 p.m. Police escort, Fort-garden Eagles to courthouse 5:45 p.m. Lost dog, Manistique Avenue Friday, Aug. 3, 2007 1:10 a.m. Lift assist, Intake Park Road 4:10 a.m. Well being check, within city of Manistique 8 a.m. County Fair detail 8:45 a.m. Civil dispute, within city of Manistique 3 p.m. Citizen assistance. Deer Street 5:30 p.m. Fair ground assist 5:30 p.m. Well being check, Fourth Street 10:30 p.m. Loud music, Manistique Avenue 11:05 p.m. Loud music, Maple Street Saturday, Aug. 4, 2007 4:15 a.m. EMS, transfer to Escanaba 1:40 p.m. Shoplifter, Cedar Street 5:35 p.m. Hit and run property damage accident, city parking lot 6:30 p.m. Burn barrel complaint, Fourth Street 10:51 p.m. EMS, within city of Manistique 11:50 p.m. EMS, motorcycle/person injury accident, Hiawatha Township Sunday, Aug. 5, 2007 1:30 a.m. Harassment/threat, within city of Manistique 5:05 a.m. Domestic in progress, Fourth Street 9:30 a.m. Breaking and entering, Deer Street 10:46 a.m. Found property, Deer Street 12:30 p.m. Breaking and entering, Deer Street 1:15 p.m. Hit and run property damage accident, Cedar Street 2:55 p.m. Found property, within city of Manistique 6:05 p.m. Threats, within city of Manistique 6:25 p.m. Possible drug use, Arbutus Avenue 6:10 p.m. EMS, transfer to Potoskey 7:05 p.m. Be on the lookout for reckless driver, within city of Manistique 7:30 p.m. Threats, within city of Manistique 8:10 p.m. EMS, Hiawatha Township Monday, Aug. 6, 2007 3:16 a.m. Domestic assault, Garden Avenue, Manistique resident arrested on domestic assault and lodged. 9:31 a.m. Illegal parking, Maple Street 10:55 a.m. Breaking and entering, Delta Avenue 11 a.m. Dog at large, Park Avenue 11:06 a.m. Traffic control, U.S. 2 and Maple Street 12:45 p.m. Harassing telephone call, Cherry Street 12:49 p.m. Breaking and entering, U.S. Highway 2 2:12 p.m. Child neglect, Cedar Street 2:35 p.m. Juvenile with weapon, Cedar Street 2:49 p.m. Trespassing, Quarry Lake 3:20 p.m. Dogs at large, Alger Avenue 6:07 p.m. EMS, Thompson Township 8:20 p.m. Possible fight, Houghton Avenue 10 p.m. Intoxicated person, Deer Street

Inspections show bridges safe, MDOT director says

In the wake of last week's collapse of the Interstate 35W bridge in Minneapolis, the Michigan Department of Transportation has completed inspections on four bridges of similar design in this state and verified that they are safe. The structures include the Cut River Bridge on US-2 in Mackinac County and the pedestrian-only M-26 Bridge in Eagle River in Keweenaw County. MDOT Director Kirk T. Steudle said this week that the inspections showed the bridges to be "in good condition and safe for all traffic." The Interstate 35W bridge over the Mississippi River, which collapsed Aug. 1, was a continuous deck truss structure with a concrete deck, a steel truss and reinforced piers. The four similar bridges in Michigan include the Cut River and M-26 bridges, the M-55 Pine River Bridge in downstate Manistique County and the US-23 Ocoque River Bridge in Presque Isle County. MDOT reviewed the most recent inspections of the three highway bridges and sent experts to verify the findings. The Eagle River pedestrian bridge was inspected by the Superior Region bridge engineer and inspector on Monday. Steudle said the state has significantly increased funding to rehabilitate or replace bridges over the past 10 years. In fact, \$180 million will be invested in state bridges each year over the next five years. MDOT also has increased the number of bridge inspectors. National standards require MDOT to inspect bridges every two years. The Mackinac, International and Blue Water bridges are inspected annually, exceeding federal requirements. Steudle said a bridge can remain safe "indefinitely" if the components are routinely inspected and maintained.



It was a perfect summer day last Saturday, as the Manistique Merchants Association held its annual Sidewalk Sale event on South Cedar Street. People turned out to browse the displays set up in the street by local businesses (above), check out merchandise from artists and crafters, and pick up special bargains at the used book sale sponsored by the Friends of the Manistique School and Public Library (below).



A grid of 24 small business advertisements including Auction it Today on eBay, Backhoe Service, Bed & Breakfast, DVD/Movies, Electronic Equipment, Excavating, Gift Store, Heating and Refrigeration, Photography, Lumber, Memorials, Pharmacy, Plumbing, Paul's Plumbing, Shipping, Storage, and Tanning.



30th Annual Schoolcraft County Fair August 2-4, 2007

Junior duck stamp artwork on display at Seney National Wildlife Refuge

The Seney National Wildlife Refuge is once again hosting a display of duck stamp artwork. The exhibit at the refuge visitor center opened on Wednesday and runs through Aug. 29.

Lamprey program planned

A program on sea lamprey control will take place next Thursday, Aug. 16, at 7 p.m., at the Seney National Wildlife Refuge. Personnel from the Marquette Biological Station, who are treating portions of the Manistiquette River Watershed to control sea lampreys, will be on hand to explain the hows and whys of the process. In other activities, officials are continuing to sponsor their summertime refuge tours. Traditional auto tours of the refuge take place every Wednesday evening through August, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Morning guided auto tours are slated at 9 a.m. on Monday,

work of every state first-place winner in the junior division of the national duck-stamp competition.

The winner of this year's competition was Rebekah Nastav, a 15-year-old from

Michigan's junior duck stamp winner

Aug. 27, and Tuesday, Sept. 4. Bicycle tours will take place at 3 p.m. on Friday Aug. 10, 24 and 31. Everyone is invited to participate. If you don't have a bike, you can rent one from Northland Outfitters in Germfask.

Missouri, whose painting of a male redhead duck was chosen from among thousands of entries submitted by children in grades K-12 from around the country.

Michigan's junior duck stamp winner was 18-year-old Kevin North from downstate Lapeer High School.

Federal migratory bird hunting and conservation stamps, or "duck stamps," are pictorial stamps produced by the U.S. Postal Service for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. All waterfowl hunters 16 or older

must purchase a stamp.

Besides serving as a hunting license, a current federal duck stamp is an entrance pass for national wildlife refuges that charge admission. Duck stamps and the products that bear duck stamp images are also popular collector items.

Federal Duck Stamps have a larger purpose, as well, supporting wetland conservation. Ninety-eight cents out of every dollar generated from duck stamp sales goes to purchase or lease wetland habitat for protection in the national wild-

life refuge system.

Since the program's inception, duck stamp sales have raised more than \$675 million to conserve more than 5.2 million acres of habitat throughout the U.S. and its territories.

In 1989, the first junior duck stamps were produced. The stamps are now the capstone of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's junior duck stamp environmental education program, teaching students across the nation "conservation through the arts." Revenue generated by the

sales of junior duck stamps

funds environmental education programs in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and two

territories. More information and art work can be found at <http://duckstamps.fws.gov>. For more

information on the junior duck

stamp exhibit and other events at the Seney Refuge, call (906) 586-9851, ext. 15.

2007/2008 SCHOOLS OF CHOICE - 1st SEMESTER

The following constituent districts of the Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District are offering a Schools of Choice option to students and their parents. Students residing in participating districts can choose to attend the school that best meets their individual needs.

In accordance with Section 105, Schools of Choice language in Public Act 300, the following represents the buildings, grade levels, specialized programs and the number of openings available for each of the following districts in Delta and Schoolcraft Counties.

SCHOOL DISTRICT	RR	K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Bark River-Harris School District														
Big Bay de Noc School District														
Escanaba School District														
Gladstone School District														
Manistiquette Area School District														
Mid Peninsula School District														
Rapid River Public School District														

*The administration will make every effort to accommodate building preference at the elementary level but retains the right to make the final building selection for student placement.

Applications may be obtained from the following locations:
 Bark River-Harris School District, Mr. Russ Pirlet, Supt., P.O. Box 350, Harris, MI 49845 - (906-466-9981)
 Big Bay De Noc School District, Mr. John Peterson, Supt., HC01 Box 62, Cooks, MI 49817 - (906-644-2773)
 Escanaba Area Schools, Dr. Thomas Smith, Supt., 111 North 9th Street, Escanaba, MI 49829 - (906-786-2411)
 Gladstone Area Schools, Dr. Jay Kubitert, Supt., 400 S. Tenth Street, Gladstone, MI 49837 - (906-428-2417)
 Manistiquette Area Schools, Mr. John Chandler, Supt., 100 N. Cedar Street, Manistiquette, MI 49854 - (906-341-4300)
 Mid Peninsula School District, Mr. Mike Loy, Supt., 5055 St. Nicholas 31st Road, Rock, MI 49880 - (906-359-4387)
 Rapid River Public Schools, Ms. Terri Mileski, Supt., P.O. Box 68, Rapid River, MI 49878 - (906-474-6411)

Completed applications must be received at the Superintendent's Office by August 31, 2007.

The Boards of Education of the participating districts comply with all federal and state laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination and with all requirements and regulations of the United States Department of Education and the Michigan State Department of Education.

It is also the policy of the participating Boards of Education that no person on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, marital status, limited English, or disability shall be discriminated against, excluded from participating in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination in any program, employment practice, or activity for which it is responsible or for which it receives financial assistance from the United States Department of Education or the Michigan State Department of Education.

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