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## MMA parade marks start of the 2007 holiday season

Residents of Schoolcraft County will kick off their 2007 holiday celebrations this week, with the 12th annual Manistique Merchants Association Christmas Parade.

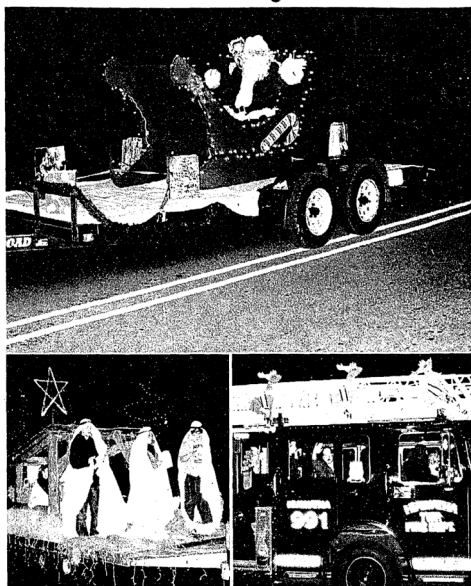
As always, the seasonal favorite event will take place the day after Thanksgiving, Friday, Nov. 23, drawing large crowds to enjoy the spectacle, which promises to include plenty of holiday lights and color — and of course, an official appearance by Santa Claus himself.

This year's parade will follow the traditional route starting at the former Lincoln School on the west side of town, heading east on Deer Street, crossing the Siphon Bridge and moving south down River and Cedar Streets to Oak Street, where it will turn for the final leg to St. Francis de Sales School.

Participants should begin gathering on Mackinac Avenue near the Lincoln building around 6 p.m. The parade will step off at 6:30 p.m.

As he does each year, Santa Claus will serve as parade grand marshal, anchoring the procession and greeting spectators all along the route.

Organizers say it's not necessary to hail from the North Pole to take part in the parade. Everyone else is also welcome. In fact, you don't even have to be a member of the MMA. All businesses, nonprofit organizations, churches, schools, clubs, families, neighborhood groups and individuals can take part. Floats, vehicles and walking



Scenes from the 2006 Manistique Merchants Association Christmas Parade give some indication of what will be in store for this year's event, which takes place Friday night. Taking part in the festivities will be area businesses, churches, organizations, fire departments and other groups. Entries are still welcome right up to the time the parade steps off. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)

## Botulism blamed in deaths of northern Lake Michigan birds

Type E botulism has again been confirmed in the deaths of the many fish-eating waterfowl and diving ducks that continue to wash ashore along the beaches of northern Lake Michigan.

In Schoolcraft County, the disease has been linked to the deaths of common loons, long-tailed ducks and horned grebes.

The waterfowl that are being affected by botulism are species that migrate through the region every year, says Michigan Sea Grant Extension Educator Mark Brederland, who is based in Traverse City.

"Northern Lake Michigan is an important rest stop for migrating waterfowl flying south from Canada," says Brederland. "Unfortunately many are not getting through to their wintering grounds because they're ingesting the botulism toxin. Depending on the weather, we may continue to see die-offs into December."

In the Great Lakes, botulism spores (the resting stage of the bacteria) are native to the upland soils and aquatic sediments of many lakes.

Under certain anaerobic, or low oxygen conditions, the spores germinate and begin vegetative growth of the toxin-producing bacterial cells.

Like many other environmental problems in the Great Lakes, Brederland says avian mortalities due to type E botulism are likely tied to invasive species.

It appears that quagga and zebra mussels filter out the botulism toxin from nearby

waters of cecaying Cladophora algae, and then they're consumed by fish such as the in-fowl and diving ducks that continue to wash ashore along the beaches of northern Lake Michigan.

The infected gobies, which become paralyzed by the toxin, are then easy prey for flocks of migrating, fish-eating waterbirds.

According to National Park Service dive crews collecting lake-bottom samples and doing other research this summer, the density of round gobies was estimated at 10 fish per square meter in Lake Michigan on the large rocky shoal off the mouth of the Platte River in downstate Benzie County.

Sea Grant officials say that would equate to hundreds of thousands, possibly millions of gobies just on that one shoal.

A type E botulism event last year, the first significant one on Lake Michigan since 1983, claimed nearly 2,900 waterbirds and was geographically limited to a small stretch of shoreline in Benzie and Leelanau counties within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.

This year's impact is being felt over many coastal counties of Northern Lake Michigan, from the Ludington area up to Wilderness State Park in Mackinaw City and on to the shoreline counties of the U.P.

In addition to the bird deaths in Schoolcraft County, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources has confirmed type E botulism in red-necked grebe, long-tailed duck (probable), common loon, white-

### Just the facts ...

#### WHAT

The deaths of fish-eating waterfowl and diving ducks in northern Lake Michigan has been positively linked to type E botulism, with the outbreak most likely triggered by invasive species. The birds affected include loons, grebes, long-tailed ducks, herring gulls and more. In some areas, bald eagles and piping plovers have also been affected.

#### WHEN AND WHERE

An outbreak in 2006 claimed about 2,900 birds in a relatively limited area within the Sleeping Bear National Lakeshore downstate. This year's event has killed birds across a much larger region, from Ludington in the western Lower Peninsula north to the Straits of Mackinac and west to Delta County.

#### MORE INFO

Sick or dead birds should be reported to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources using the online reporting form at [www.michigan.dnr.com/diseases/wildlife/reporting/disease\\_obsreport.asp](http://www.michigan.dnr.com/diseases/wildlife/reporting/disease_obsreport.asp) or by contacting the DNR Wildlife Disease Lab in Lansing.

#### WHAT

The DNR conducts disease testing and maintains records of avian species and the number affected by type E botulism.

To submit an online report of sick or dead birds (one report for each species of water bird), go to [www.michigan.dnr.com/diseases/wildlife/reporting/disease\\_obsreport.asp](http://www.michigan.dnr.com/diseases/wildlife/reporting/disease_obsreport.asp).

The information (species, date and location — county in particular) can also be sent by e-mail to Dr. Thomas Cooley at the DNR Wildlife Disease Lab in Lansing: [cooleytm@michigan.gov](mailto:cooleytm@michigan.gov).

## Bottom line is better for MAS

by Paul Olson

The Manistique Area Schools Board of Education moved quickly through a light agenda at their regular meeting Monday night. Action items included approval of budget amendments reflecting a better bottom line for the current fiscal year.

The figures showed the school district ending the year with a slightly smaller deficit than originally forecast — a shortfall of \$520,028 instead of the \$562,004 reflected in the original budget, a positive difference of approximately \$42,000.

However, when the year ends next June 30, the MAS fund balance will be considerably stronger than initial estimates, standing at \$624,943 instead of \$171,613.

That change is due to the much better ending balance for the previous year, first discussed when the district received its annual audit report in September.

Because of a variety of factors, including a one percent increase in revenues and a \$386,000 cut in expenses, MAS ended last year with a balance of \$1.14 million, over \$400,000 higher than the forecast. That better-than-expected performance gave the district a stronger starting position for the current year.

In related business Monday, the board reviewed the official results of the September pupil count. While the enrollment was not as high as indicated in an earlier tentative report, it did represent an increase in the number of district students.

Preliminary count numbers showed September enrollment standing at 1,085, but Superintendent John Chandler said Monday that the final number is only 1,079.

That represents a year-to-year increase of about 18 students compared to September 2006.

When blended with last February's count, the enrollment

number stands at just over 1,069 students — the figure used in determining state funding levels for the year.

Chandler said the new numbers will leave them "fairly close to where we anticipated our revenue."

He also repeated earlier comments, reminding the board that the real impact of enrollment gains will not be felt until "a year or two down the road."

The board also received a brief presentation on the district's 2006-2007 annual report from Kathy McDonough, director of grants, special education and curriculum.

Among other things the 22-page document showed the various school buildings all receiving a letter grade of "B" under the state's "Education Yes" report card system.

Examining that grade were the middle school, high school, the former Fairview and Lincoln elementary schools and Lakeside Elementary (upper elementary students attending class at the middle and high school). Each of the buildings also achieved the required "adequate yearly progress" under the guidelines.

The Jack Reque Alternative High School did not receive a grade under the state system.

Other highlights of the report showed comparisons of standardized test scores from 2005 and 2006.

McDonough said they are currently making their federally-mandated proficiency targets, but will have work to do as the requirements increase over time.

Under No Child Left Behind, districts must regularly post improvements in the percentage of students earning the top test grades. Eventually, the law requires 100 percent of a district's students to be testing

### MAS Board

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## Telling the tale ...

# 'Lost Woman of Shoepac Lake' remembered

*Editor's note: Local resident Del Sheppard may be best known to Pioneer-Tribune readers as the man who mounts tax nesting boxes in remote parts of Schoolcraft County and shares his annual nesting-activity reports in these pages every autumn. But Sheppard has also become a chronicler of obscure stories from local history. In December 2005, his research allowed us to recount the tale of a nearly-forgotten 1957 plane crash near Seney.*

*How he has turned his attention to an even older and less well-known incident: The Lost Woman of Shoepac Lake.*

by Del Sheppard

My source of information for this sad tale was obtained by my grandparents and Ezekiel Ackley and his daughter, Eliza, my dad's mother. She was a girl of 17 and lived about half a mile from the cabin the lost woman called home. She later married Oscar Sheppard, my dad's father. He was a quiet man, but grandma was full of talk.

There was a family by the name of Wilson. The father, George, his wife (no one seems to know her name), a son of 13 years named George Jr., a son Peter, about 10 years of age, and a little girl named Sarah, about 8. They had come from Canada as did a number of pioneers in those early years.

They first lived near McMillan, where the father worked on the railway. In early 1882 he filed for a homestead near the Ackley homestead, located on the southeast side of a lake which is now called Kennedy Lake. The description being 144N, R13W, SW 14 of section 13, while Ackley was in 144N, R13W, SE 1/4 of

section 12. The fact is, this Wilson had beat a good friend of Ackley's by one day for the filing of this homestead. That man's name was also Wilson, Smith Wilson, to be exact, who later settled in the Gould City area.

By now, George Wilson had a job in Luce County, north of Round Lake, at a charcoal mill located in 745N, R11W, SE 1/4 of section seven, leaving his wife and family at the cabin on the homestead.

This episode begins with a sack of seed potatoes Thaddeus Mead was to buy from Ezekiel Ackley. Mead's homestead was located at T44N, R13W, Ne 1/4 of section 26. His homestead is also located south of Stewart Lake about three-eighths of a mile, on what is now called Grant Road.

This was on a Friday, June 16, 1882. Mead followed the trail to the east, which was roughly on the north line of section 26. He crossed Stewart Creek, and after a short walk east, his trail turned north through section 24. After a walk of about three-quarters of a mile he came to the Wilson cabin. Here he stopped and got permission from Mrs. Wilson and her boy, George, that he might go with him to Ackley's and then spend some time at the Mead homestead, helping with the gardening.

This Mead did, but on their return trip past the Wilson cabin, Mrs. Wilson said that she had just prepared a batch of bread, and while it was rising she would like to walk with Mead and George a short ways on the trail going south.

This Mrs. Wilson did, along with her two children, Sarah and Peter. Besides, Mrs. Wil-

son said that Peter was not feeling well, and some fresh air might help.

After they had left Mead and George, as Mrs. Wilson was returning to her cabin, Peter requested to see a lake.

Now this has always been a mystery to me. How did that young man know that there was a lake in the area where they were standing? There is no way that he could see Lost Lake, then or in the past, for they would now be standing in hardwood, and from this trail the terrain drops off to the east considerably, and Lost Lake is surrounded by cedar swamp (at least it was the times that I have been there), so it would have been impossible to see.

The first time I tried to find the lake was in the winter with skis. I gave up, "pooped" to a frazzle. The next time was to get a picture of the lake for Emit Keibler to use in his history of Gernfask. On this trip, I had the late Charlie Holbrook with me.

Lost Lake is located one-half mile plus off the Grant Road to the north on the Schoolcraft and Mackinac County line, and one survey chain length to the west into Schoolcraft County, by the field notes of the government survey.

We considered going this way, but decided to go the way that the Wilson people were supposed to have gone, that is, if they did go that way.

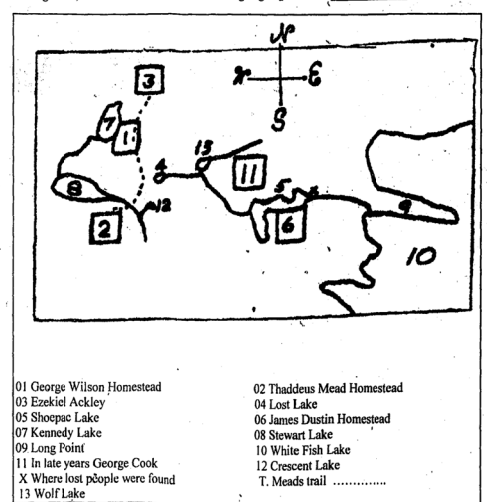
We started from a trail that would be very close to the Mead north and south trail. Charlie and I went due east, and we walked and walked. Finally, Charlie climbed a tree and said that he could see the lake, but there is a cedar swamp first to go through. We

found the lake and I got the picture. The fact is, I still have it.

My grandmother always claimed that the Wilsons were trying to find Kennedy Lake, which Peter could have undoubtedly seen from her cabin. Sarah, after she was found, said that they never did find the lake, so if they had tried to get to Kennedy Lake and gave up to turn back east to find Mead's trail and go back to the cabin to take care of the bread, they might have missed the trail. For just Mead traveling on it, the trail would

not have been noticeably worn. She could have continued east and stayed in the hardwoods and high country and been found where they did find her. But Sarah, after being found, said differently. The walking that she described was swamp land.

I have another thought on this. When Peter mentioned the idea of seeing a lake, it is evident that the mother and her two children had left Mead and George, as I have already mentioned, and were going back to the cabin. If Peter had mentioned about going to see a



Del Sheppard created this map to go along with his account of "The Lost Woman of Shoepac Lake."

Fish Report

By Ret. Sgt. John Walker

Well, we are now into the firearm deer season and needless to say it has been a mixed bag. In fact, it is now the fifth day and I could count on my fingers how many shots I have heard. It has to be one of the slowest openers I have known. There can be two reasons for this, first a lot of hunters are no longer shooting the first legal buck they see, but are letting the smaller bucks go. Then of course if you did see anything to shoot at you spent your morning enjoying the snow cover.

In a lot of areas you could not have asked for better hunting conditions. There was a light snow during the night that left just enough snow on the ground for good tracking. A lot of hunters I talked to saw a good number of deer, but not too many bucks. Then again I talked to hunters that let 3-4 small bucks go that a few years ago would have been shot.

It seems that some of the better success was down south of US-2. In this area there were a number of nice 8-pointers taken.

Add to this the fact there is no doubt in my mind that there were a lot less hunters in some areas. I heard more than once where hunters after putting \$90 worth of gas in their vehicle for just one way, figuring out what it cost for license and other hunting needs, are thinking of just writing the U.P. off as far as hunting trips go. They said it is just getting to expensive to run up here anymore. If this should prove true it is sure going to hurt a lot of businesses that need this one last shot in the arm.

Then you add on top of this the fact that in some areas it can cost you \$75 to \$100 to have a deer cut up and wrapped.

The bottom line is it has never been a money making adventure to go hunting. But with the increase in cost it may be the straw that broke the camel's back in a lot of cases. I guess we will just have to wait

and see if the upcoming license increase is this straw. As I told one of the local conservation officers, "You are getting where fewer and fewer hunters and fishermen are being asked to pay more and more to keep the programs going and just when do you hit the breaking point."

I really do not think just one factor alone will cause a big decrease in the number of hunters but it will be everything added together. I might also say that Michigan is not the only state facing this problem, most are seeing hunter numbers going down.

Hunting is interesting and has always been that way. In a season you have those that for love or money can never be in the right spot to have something walk by, while someone else with no planning or any forethought goes out and walks right up on a nice buck.

I heard where a few people that had not had any luck in years had a nice buck hanging the first day. Then I heard where a hunter was eating his lunch when he heard his buddy walk right up behind him. He finally looked over his shoulder, only it wasn't his hunting buddy, but a monster wall hanger that had walked right up behind him as he sat there holding a sandwich instead of his gun. Needless to say he did not get this monster.

I have to tell this story. On the second day I was sitting with my 5-year-old grandson when two yearlings came through. He looked at me and said, "Grandpa, are you going to shoot one of those?" I told him they were too small to shoot. He looked at me with all seriousness and said, "Well then grandpa shoot them both!"

This week is Thanksgiving week; a lot of people will be home for the holidays to hunt. This should get the deer moving and then it will slow right down and be so quiet out in the woods you will feel like the Lone Ranger without Tonto.

DNR offers fire-season summary

An active Michigan wildfire season that saw more than 20,000 acres burn is now winding down, Department of Natural Resources officials said last week. The department this season logged 395 wildfires that burned 20,881 acres - including the state's largest wildfire since 1980, the Sleeper Lake blaze in Luce County.

"This has been one of the more memorable wildfire seasons in recent history in our state," said DNR Director Rebecca Humphries. "Several landmark events took place, including the largest wildfire in our state since 1980 and a prohibition on open burning by the governor to reduce risk during persistent drought conditions this summer."

The 18,185-acre Sleeper Lake Fire began with a lightning strike on Aug. 2 and spread rapidly, resulting in evacuations and mobilization of firefighting resources from

across Michigan and the eastern United States.

At its peak, there were 340 people assigned from the DNR and other agencies to fight the blaze in a swampy, remote area seven miles north of Newberry. Among those responding to the fire were several Michigan agencies led by the DNR, Michigan National Guard, natural resource agencies from several states, including Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missouri, Connecticut and Illinois, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, USDA Forest Service, the Nature Conservancy, Michigan State Police, Michigan Department of Transportation, Michigan Department of Corrections, Eastern U.P. Search and Rescue, several Luce County agencies, 21 volunteer fire departments,

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Plan covers state's outdoor recreation needs

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

"Thank you for what you are doing," wrote Robert M. Weir. "Please do more. The environment is our ultimate infrastructure."

Weir's comment was typical of the more than 800 others received by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in response to the DNR's draft

2008-2012 State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP).

People in Michigan have a passion for the outdoors and strongly support the conservation of our natural resources.

Michigan is one of 50 states that must compete for its share of money through the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), which the National Park Service makes available for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation facilities.

Over the past five years, Michigan's share has totaled \$12.5 million.

"Although Michigan ranks sixth in the nation in funding received through the LWCF, we must have a five-year recreation plan in place in order to continue our eligibility to receive these funds, which are critical to helping the DNR achieve its goals in meeting the needs of outdoor recreation users throughout the state," says Deborah Apostol, recreation unit manager for

DNR's Grants Management. Michigan's current SCORP expires at the end of this year, Apostol says.

One of the most important factors in updating the 2008-2012 plan was public involvement.

Under the direction of Dr. Chuck Nelson, a faculty member of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at Michigan State University, a survey of 2,001 randomly selected registered voters and

773 local recreation providers was conducted this past summer.

Voters and providers were asked what kinds of outdoor recreation were most important to them, what they thought of the priorities of the existing plan and what changes they would like to see in the new plan.

According to the survey, 70 percent of voters were satisfied with the amount of public outdoor recreation, but only 42 percent were satisfied with the quality of that recreation experience.

"In terms of what would make their experience better or more enjoyable, most responded that cleaner bathrooms and an overall safe and well-kept park were a priority," Nelson says.

Among registered voters, Nelson found the most common outdoor recreation activities are walking outdoors, followed by relaxing outdoors, driving for pleasure, swimming in a lake, river or pond and sightseeing.

When asked which activities were most important to people, regardless of whether they participated in them or not, Nelson says the results were slightly different and included fishing, hunting and camping, in addition to walking and relaxing outdoors.

To address these needs, the DNR identified nine key initiatives in the plan, two of which are new.

The first seven initiatives include:

- Resource Conservation -

includes acquisition of in-holdings, development or renovation at recreation sites that result in cleaner surface waters through reductions in erosion and other sources of pollution; wetland conservation; restoration of native communities of flora and fauna and the provision of fish habitat improvements at or near public access points on state waters.

• Trails - recommends connecting existing recreation sites and linking existing trails to form a more cohesive network.

• Universal Access to Recreation - includes the evaluation of existing facilities and venues, renovation to address deficiencies, and new facilities designed to enable the full range of Michiganians and visitors to enjoy outdoor recreation venues.

• Community Outdoor Recreation - focuses on the development, restoration and renovation of facilities at the local level.

• Forest Recreation Infrastructure - focuses on the renovation and construction of low intensity, rustic recreation facilities in state forests.

• State Park Infrastructure - includes the renovation and construction of facilities at campgrounds, water access sites, trails, etc.

• Coordination and Communication - seeks to expand systematic coordination, cooperation and information-gathering among recreation providers.

The two initiatives that are new to the 2008-2012 SCORP are:

• Green Technology - this goal is to reduce the use of energy in the provision of outdoor recreation by incorporating environmentally friendly

practices and technology in the design, development and renovation of outdoor recreation opportunities.

• Recruitment and Retention of Hunters and Anglers - this goal is to reverse the decline in the number of hunters and anglers by providing more public hunting opportunities, providing for a wider spectrum of society to participate in hunting, and creating and expanding mentoring programs.

In October, the DNR hosted five public workshops across the state that were aimed at presenting these nine initiatives and gaining input on changes that needed to be made.

The next step in the coming weeks will be to incorporate all of the feedback from these workshops and written comments and complete the final version of the SCORP, which will be presented to the Natural Resources Commission for approval.

"The Land and Water Conservation Fund has been one of the tools the DNR has used to develop and protect Michigan's recreation resources at every level," says DNR Grants Coordinator Lisa McTiernan, who is helping to write the final plan.

Because the demand for outdoor recreation continues to grow, McTiernan says the SCORP will establish the state's recreation priorities for the next five years.

"In light of considerable feedback from such diverse user groups as RV and rustic campers, backpackers on the North Country National Scenic Trail, mountain bikers in state parks and forests, to picnickers and bird watchers, the public is aware and actively engaged in determining what those priorities will be," McTiernan says.

From the Forester

Public Service Foresters

By Bill Cook

So, where do private forest owners find information about managing their forests? Well, in some ways information is easier to come by. However, the opportunity to talk to a live forester during an on-site visit has hit a new low.

If you're reasonably savvy on the Internet, there are many good Web sites. Landowner associations, government agencies, industries, universities and extension services and others have much to offer. Try the Michigan Forest Pathways for a clearinghouse [http://mi.forestpathways.net].

In Michigan, finding a forester to walk your property with you has gone from difficult to worse. Michigan has never had a particularly good or consistent mechanism to provide forestry services. And now that the Forestry Assistance Program has been abandoned, we have lost the single largest component of the inadequate system that was in place. There are only a small handful of service providers left, most of them now from the forest industry. You may have a good opportunity, if you live in an area served by these foresters.

On the other hand, finding a consulting forester to write a forest management plan or help with a responsible timber harvest is not too difficult. Consultants provide valuable services and commercial aspects are probably best handled by the private sector, although sometimes forest owners fail to see the value in professional assistance.

However, there are many non-commercial services that government should consider providing. With Michigan at an all-time low in public service forestry, maybe now is a good time to

consider what the public sector ought to provide. Oddly, there seems little hue and cry from the 350,000 to 400,000 forest owners for this sort of service.

So, why should government agencies be prompted to respond? Perhaps the strongest argument would be an investment in our collective future. Forests provide an amazing range of goods and services, and yet most people wouldn't rate forestry anywhere near the top of any priority list. Most people have not thought about forestry assistance. Most people don't think about forests. Yet, with outdoor management, these goods and services will be substantially reduced in quantity and quality.

At the same time, serious threats to our forest resource are growing. Unfortunately, by the time issues begin to attract attention, the time to effectively address them will be long past.

Roughly half of Michigan's 19 million acre forest is owned by individuals. The other half is owned by government agencies and corporate groups. With the private half receiving relatively little attention (and declining) what might result from this lack of stewardship?

Michigan's forest-based industry is among Michigan's largest economic drivers, and fiber supply trends are growing increasingly restrictive while consumer use increases. How, then, might we expand Michigan's bioeconomy from our rich forest resource when half the acreage is largely ignored?

As demands for recreation access grow, the increasing closure on private lands adds more pressure on public lands. Conflicts arise and pressure to decrease management activity builds. Visual quality becomes

confronted with aesthetic value.

Forest health issues, such as the emerald ash borer and beech bark disease, have no respect for property lines. How can private lands become more resilient when they aren't managed?

Much of the private forest resource increasingly supports late successional habitats as benign neglect leads them down "natural" pathways? Many of our favorite wildlife species rely on early successional forests.

As more people build homes in these forests, the ecology is affected by fragmentation, loss of biodiversity and a number of other dynamics. Of course, home construction is a permanent change. Will our grandchildren view this as a good?

The best time to deal with challenges is often by addressing them before they become problems. Michigan currently ignores eight to nine million acres of forest land. What if this is unwise, then what might be done?

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Thursday, November 22, 2007

EDITORIAL

Clinging to tradition

First, a quick warning for those of you who demand editorials that are new and different each week, fresh and sharp and shocking and on the cutting edge of the latest political and societal issues.

This is not one of those pieces. There is little new and nothing earthshaking in this week's column, certainly nothing that will rattle the way of life in Schoolcraft County as we know it. This editorial, in fact, is the very opposite of new.

It is instead an appeal to something quite old, something tried and true and steady that all of us once knew but most of us have ignored or overlooked or chosen to forget.

Every few years we run a version of this Thanksgiving editorial and mention a cherished old-time tradition: pausing to let each family member name the one or two things for which they are most thankful.

By one you, it seems we're losing the meaning behind all this nation's holidays. The birthdays of two great presidents have been shoved together into one event, rescheduled to a Monday, and used as an occasion for car lot sales and specials at the mall.

Survey highlights strong connection between arts and Michigan's economy

Investment in childhood arts programs can boost the state's economy. "The Great Lakes Arts, Culture, and Heritage Participation Survey offers scientific data that support investment in cultural economic development,

initially and test some of our key assumptions, and provide an early regional base-line assessment of this key sector of our economy."

According to Anderson, Michigan's cultural sector currently lacks an accessible, uniform, cost-based method for collecting, measuring, analyzing and reporting data about the size of the cultural market.

"Michigan's arts and cultural organizations play a critical role in the health and revitalization of our communities," said Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

"We have so much to be thankful for. Remember those things. Hold on to them. And don't be afraid to stand up and say them out loud."

Some of the findings include:

• Seventy percent of survey respondents participated in some type of visual, performing or literary arts or crafts lessons or classes as children, and they spent an average of \$462 annually for arts education of their children.

State-owned oil companies have been criticized for not spending enough on new exploration and technology. The big American companies have been accused of preening themselves for Wall Street, with stock buybacks and fancy treatments, instead of finding and exploiting new oil reserves.

A third voice of gloom comes from Christophe de Mevorie of the French oil giant Total SA. He says the world will be hard put to produce the 118 million barrels the Energy Information Administration of the U.S. Department of Energy has pre-

dicted for 2030. If you think the negatives are coming only on oil patch radicals, try Rex Tillerson, chairman of ExxonMobil. He told the World Energy Conference in Rome that if the world oil-dominating, state-owned oil companies are not freed from political control, and allowed to bring in western technology and capital, then a crisis is inevitable.

There is evidence that the oil majors themselves are hurting. When oil passed \$60 a barrel, their profits shot up. But they are not up commensurately with oil at \$90 a barrel. The big guys are getting squeezed.

I liked the old Houston with its larger-than-life wildcaters, even if they thought I was an effete, Eastern, big government-loving liberal. I liked the guy who told me I could ride with him to Morgan City, where the oil rigs are made, so we could drink in the roughest bar in Texas.

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All too often, the price is an even larger expenditure of the time we are not supposed to be saving. But while it's true that spare time is increasingly rare, we should fight the temptation to surrender. It's still important to save some moments for ourselves and our families and the little actions and rituals we call tradition.

It's such a simple act, really, just a few words in front of the fireplace or around the table, some quiet moments out of an otherwise chaotic day. But it's the kind of thing we shouldn't overlook.

Remainder those things. Hold on to them. And don't be afraid to stand up and say them out loud.

• Nearly 15 percent of Michigan respondents made financial donations to arts, heritage or cultural organizations and 30 percent volunteered six or more hours of volunteer service during the previous 12 months.

• Artists are entrepreneurial and want to grow their businesses. Seventy-five percent of Michigan artists want to start themselves with their art-related income but face major barriers such as financing, marketing, credentials and location.

• Thirty-seven percent of all respondents and 36 percent of Michigan respondents attended theatrical performances over the last year, spending an average of \$38 and as much as \$250 for tickets.

• Libraries contribute to downtown development and

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For My Son's First Romantic Experience, No School-Issued Condoms, Please

By Cindy Droog

My son has recently started paying attention to babies. He stares at them, and you can just see his little mind whirring.

Who are these tiny creatures? They can't walk. Can't scoot or tummy crawl. Why do they just sit there, doing nothing? What is their point?

It's forced me to admit that he is no little random baby. He's a full-blown toddler. Next thing I know, he'll be starting preschool. Then real school. And not long after, he's sure to have his very first romance.

When I was in early elementary school, romance was a foreign word. Today, they're talking about providing contraceptives to 11-year-olds. Times have changed, and even though my son isn't 2 yet, I'm starting to freak out a little.

My own early forays into relationships were comical - with no contraception required.

I remember the first time a boy decided he liked me. I was in the first grade, and he chased me around the playground trying to kiss me.

Today, of course, my parents would have sued him, his parents and the school for allowing such harassment. Back then, no one even noticed.

I told her I was pregnant. She was perplexed. I thought to myself, "Well, she isn't married so she wouldn't understand that when people kiss, they get pregnant and have babies."

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We rode our bikes together on the weekends, climbed trees and walked home from school. No doubt it was love.

One day, we got bare and carved our initials underneath the jungle gym, declaring our undying love for each other to the world.

Nearly a year later (yes, a whole year), I think we finally kissed. And I assure you, it was only one step less innocent than what my son does now, which is throw trucks at the people he likes.

Again, the theme being - contraceptives? At age 11? I simply cannot comprehend.

As sweet as that relationship was, it ended when we went to high school. We were all older, but still, there was a sense of innocence in how my friends and I approached love.

Today, we used to sit by the radio, listen to the dedication shows, and try calling their 1-800 numbers to dedicate Richard Marx, Air Supply or some similar cheesiness over the airwaves.

Of course, I was insanely jealous the night when my best friend's boyfriend actually got through. We distinctly heard that the song was, "To Kelly from Matt," and it never occurred to us that they were actually other couples in the Cleveland metro area named Kelly and Matt.

She was devastated when she thanked him, and found he had no clue what she was talking about.

It was grounds for a break-up. The list of cute stories goes on and on, and I guess my motivation for relating them here needs to be so that I can forget about them. After all, that was then and this is now.

In today's world, I can only hope that my son's first gesture of affection to his fourth-grade crush isn't a condom that he got from the school nurse, delivered to her classroom, followed by a text message, reciprocated via an explicit posting on his MySpace page.

I'd really rather he put some graffiti on the jungle gym.

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Table with 4 columns: DAY, HIGH, LOW, PRECIP. Rows include Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday.

A Look Back at the Pioneer-Tribune Archives

40 Years Ago November 23, 1967

A \$1.25 million shopping season opens this week for Manistiquette area merchants. The traditional Christmas shopping spurge opens the day after Thanksgiving, and local businessmen are optimistic that 1967 will even exceed the good year of 1966.

30 Years Ago November 24, 1977

Winds estimated at up to 62 miles per hour caused a rash of damages and disturbances in the Manistiquette area from Sunday night to late Monday. The storm, which hit Manistiquette with sunny southerly gusts, dropped only about 40 inches of rain on the area.

20 Years Ago November 25, 1987

When the Howard Johnson motel on US 2 opens in January, a little piece of 100 local children will be there. Over 100 school children last week pressed their hands in squares of clay that will become decorative tiles for the lobby of the motel.

Letters to the Editor

Letter to the Editor: To whom it may concern: I agree with Peter Markham about the Burns case.

I myself have some property. I hope they don't try to steal it as I'll ask lots of money for it.

Was it surveyed and decided to them or did they just say they had the right to eminent Domain? I know a little about the law and it's almost like Russia or a foreign country where they can steal what they want and don't even pay for it.

Thank you. Mrs. Margaret Besaw

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10 Years Ago November 26, 1997

As the end of the millennium approaches, many businesses face a paralyzing problem: the year 2000 will not compute. Because many computers use only two digits to mark a year, companies throughout the world are helping their users adapt the machines to deal with the new millennium.

The Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital is no different. To address this problem, the hospital's Board of Trustees agreed to spend \$89,500 to make their business department's data processing system "2000 compliant."

These members of the Big Bay de Noc girls' varsity basketball team were honored, including Manistiquette Conference coaches and the all-CCUP team. Senior Laura LaVigne was named the conference's all-defensive player, while freshmen Wendy Spaulding and Kristi Thill each earned an honorable mention in the voting.

Obituaries

Sharon L. Miller



Sharon L. Miller, 70, of Sheboygan Falls, Wis., died unexpectedly at St. Nicholas Hospital on Thursday, Nov. 15, 2007, after an apparent heart attack.

She was born in Owosso, Mich., on Feb. 24, 1937, the daughter of the late Paul and Zella (Paxton) Knight. Sharon was a 1955 graduate of Manistiquet High School.

On June 1, 1957, Richard "Dick" Miller and Sharon Knight were united in marriage in Manistiquet. Together, the couple owned and operated the Christmas Cone Motel and Pary Store in Christmas, Mich., also running the local post office as well. Sharon later worked for Kimberly Clark in Munising, Mich., until her retirement in 2000.

Survivors include: her husband of 50 years, Richard; son Scott (Jodi) Miller of Sheboygan Falls; daughter Robin (Carl) Lindquist of Howards Grove; four grandchildren, Courtney and Nick Lindquist; Jordan and Justin Miller; sister, Karen (Dennis) Curtis of National City, Mich.; two brothers-in-law, Kenneth Miller and Lloyd (Caroline) Miller, both of Florida; three sisters-in-law, Marcella Quirk (special friend Don Carlson) and Helen Lys (special friend Gary Aken), both of Manistiquet and Eleanor (Tom) Talley of Florida.

In addition to her parents, Sharon was also preceded in death by two brothers-in-law and one sister-in-law.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, Nov. 20, at Zimmer's Westview Funeral and Cremation Care Center with Reverend Thomas Fleischnum, Sheboygan County Intentional Chaplain, officiating. Interment followed at Sharon Cemetery in Sheboygan Falls.

A memorial fund has been established in the name of Sharon L. Miller. Please visit www.zimmerfuneralhome.com for online condolences.

Frank G. Schwartz

Frank G. Schwartz, 76, of Washington, Mich., and Manistiquet (Dodge Lake), Mich., died Saturday, Nov. 3, 2007.

Survivors include: his wife of 39 years, Marie; three daughters, Debra (David) Jankovich, Julie Schwartz and Lisa (Rick) Roman; four grandchildren; and sister, Marilyn (Robert) Olson.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 6, at St. John Lutheran Church in Rochester Hills, Mich. Burial was in the Hiawatha Township Cemetery in Manistiquet.

SMH collects 1,557 pounds of food for Harvest Gathering

The employees, medical staff and auxiliary members at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital recently completed a two-week effort to collect food to fight hunger in the Schoolcraft County area. The proceeds of the drive will be distributed to those in need through the local food bank at Good Neighbor Services.

SMH contributed 1,557 pounds of groceries for the 17th annual Michigan Harvest Gathering campaign, which had an overall goal of raising \$350,000 and 500,000 pounds of food this fall.

The theme of this year's Michigan Harvest Gathering was "Give Local."

SMH joined forces with the Michigan Health and Hospital Association (MHA) and the Michigan Association of Healthcare Advocates. This marked the 10th year the MHA and its member hospitals have served as primary sponsors of the campaign.

"Schoolcraft Memorial is proud to be a part of this statewide effort," said Fred Makowski, chief executive officer of SMH. "As a health care organization, we know that people need nutritious meals to stay healthy, and it's gratifying to be able to assist in making meals available for residents in our community who need a helping hand."

Since its inception in 1991, the Michigan Harvest Gathering has raised approximately 7.5 million pounds of food and nearly \$5 million for the Food Bank Council of Michigan and its member food banks across the state.

About 12.5 million emergency meals have been provided to those in need through the council's regional food banks and more than 2,700 local agencies, including soup kitchens, pantries and shelters. A 2007 study showed that

Martha Fieber of Manistiquet was one of the winners in the Northern Exposure XIV exhibit at Escanaba's William Bonifas Fine Arts Center. Fieber took second place and won the \$250 award sponsored by the Manistiquet Art Club for her fiber piece, "Forest Floor - Moss."

Award recipients were honored at the artists' reception Nov. 8. A total of nine awards, a special feature article award, and five purchase prizes were distributed among the 60 artists whose 90 works comprise the 2007 installment of the annual exhibit.

"Northern Exposure XIV made winners of all the exhibitors," said Pasqua Warstler, Bonifas Gallery and education director. "This has been a banner year, with nearly 300 entries. Competition was tough. Getting into the show was an achievement."

The exhibit, which is open to U.P. residents working in any medium, is juried by an artist from outside the area. The 2007 juror was Kathy Zasawa of Milford, Mich., president of the Michigan League of Handweavers.

"Our goal is to encourage new work, so all entries must have been created within the last two years. It's a great incentive for our regional artists," Warstler said.

She noted that the exhibit is full of color, texture and movement.

"It's made up of lots of different ideas about what art is," she said. "I think there's something for everyone to enjoy in this show."

Northern Exposure XIV is on display through December 20.

Admission to the Bonifas Gallery is free. Center hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday.

The center is open this Friday and Saturday, Nov. 23 and 24.

For more information, call (906) 786-3833.

The complete list of North-

Foster Grandparents set tri-county meeting

A tri-county Foster Grandparents Program in-service meeting will be held Thursday, Dec. 6, at 11 a.m., at the Terrace Bay Inn in Gladstone. The meeting will be for program participants in Menominee, Delta and Schoolcraft counties. The Foster Grandparent

Program is administered by the MDS Community Action Agency.

For more information on the program or how to become a volunteer, contact Director Mary Bunnin or Volunteer Coordinator Angel Waeghe at (906) 786-7080.

Fieber a winner at exhibit



Schoolcraft County artist Martha Fieber (right) and her mother, artist Carol Stroll of Manistiquet, stand beside Fieber's award-winning work at the Northern Exposure XIV exhibit. The annual juried show runs through Dec. 20 at the William Bonifas Fine Arts Center in Escanaba. (Bonifas Center photo)

erm Exposure XIV winners:

1st: Michael Letts of Negaunee for "The Curve," acrylic; \$500 from Bonifas Arts Center.

2nd: Martha Fieber of Manistiquet for "Forest Floor - Moss," fiber; \$250 from Manistiquet Art Club.

3rd: Russell Prather of Marquette for "Circle of Friends," acrylic on Plexiglas; \$150 from Bay Area Arts Association.

4th: Ingrid Blixt Cline of Escanaba for "Lying Beyond the Ordinary Range of Perception," mixed media; \$150 from The Old Church Gallery.

5th: Earl Senchuk of Marquette for "Helter Swelter," steel; \$100 from Michigan Moonshine Art Gallery.

Upper Peninsula Magazine feature article: Gene Bertram of Marquette for "Smoky Joe/Misty Mom," oil, from Upper Peninsula Magazine and Woepel Images.

Honorable Mentions: Barry Bernstein of Marquette for "Northern Lights," raku pottery; Ginnie Cappaert of Stephenson for "He Give Me Wings,"

mixed media.

Stacy Vaughn Davis of Republic for "Dana at Whitefish Pointe, Michigan," pen and ink.

Dale Wedig of Gwin, for "Copper Wall Relief I," copper, aluminum, and wood.

Purchase Prizes: Bay Bank: Cynthia Golisek Kusun of AuTrain for "Lake Effect Solitude," watercolor.

Bay de Noc Community College: Ingrid Blixt Cline of Escanaba for "Lying Beyond

The Ordinary Range of Perception"; Dale Wedig of Gwin for "Copper Wall Relief I."

Delta Chiopracette: Mike Olson of Escanaba for "Beauty on Black Ice," photograph.

OSF St Francis Hospital: David Bigelow of Sault Ste. Marie, for "Crystal Falls," pastel.

Schneider, Larche and Haapala: Tim Trombley of Chatham for "Paradise is Blue," glycee photography.



Charles Winfield Atwater

America lost another member of its Greatest Generation with the passing of Charles W. Atwater, 93, on Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2007. Charlie passed away peacefully at the home of his officer of SMH. "As a health care organization, we know that people need nutritious meals to stay healthy, and it's gratifying to be able to assist in making meals available for residents in our community who need a helping hand."

Naomi Goodwin of Allegan County, Mich. Hemen Thora D. Forrester, his wife of 68 years, when they were students at Michigan State College. They married on April 7, 1939 in Mason, Mich.

Mr. Atwater was a reserve Army officer from 1939-1950, with 4 1/2 years of active service. During World War II, he attained the rank of Captain in the 10th Army, G2 Section. At the Allied landing in Okinawa, he read intelligence photos so that commanders in the field would know what terrain and battles lay ahead.

The Atwater's moved to Manistiquet in 1949, where they built a home on Cherry Street and raised their family. A civil engineer, Mr. Atwater spent most of his career with the Inland Lake and Stone Company where he was quarry foreman.

He was a long-time member and trustee of the Church of the Redeemer-Presbyterian of Manistiquet, a board member of the Indian Lake Golf and Country Club, Past Master of the Lakeside Lodge No. 371 Free and Accepted Masons, Past Potentate of Ahmed Temple (Shrine), and a Past Worthy Patron of Ida Chapter No. 54 Order of the Eastern Star. An avid hunter, fisherman, golfer and community theater actor, he was also active in the Manistiquet Rifle and Pistol Club. Charlie loved to tell stories about his war experiences, and his hunting and fishing achievements. He was always quick to burst into song.

Survivors include: his wife, Thora Atwater of Coos Bay; three children, Susan Thorton of Littleton, Colo., Donna Penny of Coos Bay and Charles F. Atwater of Eugene, Ore.; five grandchildren, Jackie and Noel "Bill" Hastings, Charles Thorton, Ty and Amy Atwater, and one great-grandchild, Andrew Hastings.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Inurnment will be held in the Lakeview Cemetery at Manistiquet.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Church of the Redeemer-Presbyterian, 324 Main Street, Manistiquet, MI or to the Shriner's Hospital, c/o Ahmed Shrine, 210 South Cedar Street, Manistiquet, MI.

Arrangements are being handled by the Coos Bay Chapel of Coos Bay and Messier-Brouillette Funeral Home of Manistiquet. Online condolences may be expressed at mfuneral.com.

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Erin L. Rochefort and Albert J. Puentes

### Rochefort and Puentes set June wedding date

On Aug. 14, 2007, Erin Lea Rochefort accepted Albert Jesus Puentes marriage proposal while atop the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France. 'Albert's son Christian from Ramstein, Germany, was also present. Erin is the daughter of Brian and Shauna Rochefort of Garden, Mich. She is a graduate of Big Bay de Noc High School and attended Bay de Noc Community College and Okaloosa-Walton College in Florida. She has resided in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. since 2003 and is currently working as a veteri-



Lois A. Corcoran (Send your comments to corky@dnvnet.us.)

### Get your fotos fast

I picked up my one-hour photos from a discount store and marveled at the speedy service. The friendly clerk told me, "Did you know you can save even MORE time by ordering prints online?" Money, too, I thought to myself - seeing as how I blew a small fortune in the 60 minutes I waited. So I logged on with my sluggish dial-up service and uploaded a handful of photos, a process that spanned several days.

inch square. I don't shoot till I see the whites of their eyes, but the buggers still end up scarlet. So I opted for "Red eye removal," the digital counterpart to Vaseline.

And because I take mostly vertical shots, I used the "Rotate" feature, too. This returned my photos to an upright position - kind of like an airplane seat. I could also stand my subject on his head just for funnies.

When my pictures looked hunky dory, I moved on to a page called "Order prints" where I chose my desired size. I typed in 5"8" and 120 pounds but nothing happened. For some odd reason, the words "not recommended" followed each choice. If they caution against 4x6, 5x7 and 8x10, what DO they recommend? Thumbprints?

Patrons can also order photo calendars, mugs, and for the truly obsessed, two-by-three-foot posters.

The last section - the one that rendered the foregoing a hideous waste of time - was "Select payment method."

My favorite, "Bill me later," was grayed out. Then why list the damn thing? We don't "do" credit cards so I skipped that option, too. Luckily I had a gift card from the store. "Scratch off gently with coin," it read. "Gently" didn't work, so I got rough with it, thus marring the ID number beyond recognition.

### MAS posts first marking period honor roll names

Manistique Area Schools has released the elementary honor roll for the first marking period of the 2007-08 school year. Receiving all A's in the third grade were Matthew Block, Colton Hoholik and Lauren Smith. Additional third grade honor students were Calli Ansell, Macala Beckman, Megan Boyd, Mac Engelhart, Teidra Fuson, Karissa Gregurash, Brandon Hampton, Tanner Holmberg, Natasha Joslin, Stephanie LaFolle, Harley MacGregor, Hannah Miller, Lauren Page, Rachel Perry, Daniel Phillips, Rayna Sherbinow, Caleb Swanson, Jonathan Seeley and Carolyn Yeip. Achieving all A's in the fourth grade were Tristan Ashbrook, Allison Casey, Benjamin Chardler, Hunter Golt, Justin Hoholik, Tony Hoholik, Jodi Kleeman, Lindsay Knuth, Logan Knatz, Mason Mat-chinski, Madison Russell, Rachel Ryan, Bridget Stoetzer, Alycia Stoll, Ashlyn Thill, Tyler Tobin, Jordan Turan and

### Jamerson pens novel about 'CCC boys' in the U.P.

On Saturday, Dec. 1, Bill Jamerson of Escanaba will give a talk on his new book, "Big Shoulders," at the Michigan Forest Visitor Center at Hartwick Pines State Park near downtown Grayling. The program will begin at 1 p.m. Jamerson, a singer, songwriter, storyteller, filmmaker and writer, is well known to Schoolcraft County residents from his many appearances in the area. Most recently, he performed at Indian Lake State Park's 75th anniversary celebration in September.



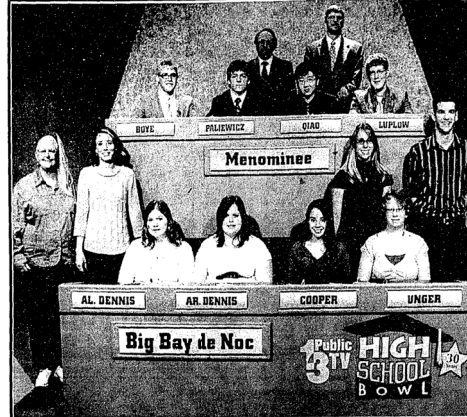
Bill Jamerson and his new historical novel about the Civilian Conservation Corps.

"Big Shoulders" is an adult historical novel that follows a year in the life of a 17-year-old named Nick from Hamtramck who enlists in the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1937. He joins 200 other young men at a work camp near Raco in the eastern Upper Peninsula. The book is described as a coming-of-age story, where Nick tries to fend off a bully, cope with an overbearing sergeant and try to determine who is out to frame him.

Based on a true story, the book contains both humor and suspense. When Nick discovers a thieving scoundrel, he risks his own place in camp to trying to expose him. The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) was a federal work program created by President Franklin Roosevelt in the heart of the Great Depression. During its nine-year run from 1933 to 1942, 125 camps in Michigan housed over 100,000 young men between the ages of 17 and 25, plus camps for war veterans of the Spanish-American War and World War I, and a Native American Camp. In Michigan alone, CCC workers planted more than 484

million trees, fought forest fires, manned fire towers, worked at fish hatcheries and on other wildlife projects, built roads, bridges and dams, developed Isle Royale National Park and numerous state parks, including Indian Lake. They also built the Logging Museum at Hartwick Pines. As a PBS filmmaker, Jamerson wrote and produced 11 films during the 1990s. He produced "Camp Forgotten: The CCC in Michigan," which aired on over 60 stations nationwide and received the Award of Merit from the Historical Society of Michigan. He has written a dozen original songs about the CCC,

which he performs at schools, libraries and CCC reunions. In his talk, he will show a short clip from his film and perform a few of his songs. Some former "CCC boys" who live near Hartwick Pines may also be appearing to talk about their experiences. For more information about the program, call Rob Burg at (989) 348-2537. Jamerson's upcoming book talks include several stops in the U.P., with programs planned Dec. 3 in St. Ignace, Dec. 10 in Gladstone, Dec. 11 in Escanaba and Dec. 13 in Sault Ste. Marie. To learn more, go to www.billjamerson.com.



The Big Bay de Noc High School Bowl team recently took on the Menominee Maroons in the first round of the annual academic knowledge tournament and walked away with a 180-150 victory. The Black Bear squad now advances to the second round of competition against Cedarville, in a match that will be seen on WNMU Public TV 13 Jan. 19. High School Bowl broadcasts air on the station Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Mondays at noon. A total of 50 schools from the Upper Peninsula and northern Wisconsin are taking part in this year's tournament, seeking to reach the championship game next April. Above: Big Bay de Noc team members are (seated, from left): Alora Dennis, captain Ariel Dennis, Tara Cooper and Sarah Ungar. Standing are coach Erica Fix with alternates Terie Faye DesJarden and Austin Radebaugh. Also pictured (far left) is High School Bowl host G.G. Gordon. (Submitted photo)

### Zion Lutheran women welcoming Advent with their annual Sankta Lucia Festival

The women of Zion Lutheran Church are inviting the public to begin their Christmas preparations in a special way, by attending the annual Sankta Lucia Festival. The festival, a traditional favorite that welcomes the Advent season, takes place Sunday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m., at the church, located at 435 Oak St. in Manistique. The evening will also include an Advent program called "We Light Our Way to Christmas."

ryone is invited to attend. More information on the festival will be included in next week's Pioneer-Tribune. The Manistique Lighthouse of Women's Aglow International will meet next Thursday, Nov. 29, in the community room at the Harborview Towers apartments, next to Subway on US-2. Refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting getting underway at 7 p.m. The evening will include praise and worship with the East Delta Parish youth group

and a program from Gary and Susan Edwards on, working with Muslims and Arab-speaking families at Angel House in Dearborn. All Women's Aglow members are urged to attend. Friends, new members and other guests are always welcome. The registration fee is \$2. Guest passes will be available. Men and youth are invited to attend free.

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### Senior Center

#### By Connie Frenette

Wow! How nice to come back to work and have part of my column written for me. Hats off to Cathy Wise. Here goes:

What would we do without friends and volunteers? So much work went into the Holiday Craft Bazaar and Bake Sale this past Saturday at the Center!!! At 4:00 on Friday, we started tearing the Center apart. These volunteers included Dick and Alice Lewis, Jean Anthony, Carol and Pat Clark who was there at 2 p.m. to help get the sloppy joes ready for the next day. Tables and chairs were moved, the café was set up, the quilt was displayed for the raffle and baked goods that were brought in on Friday were priced and put out. Everyone put in a lot of work!

Saturday morning started as early as 7 a.m. Jean Anthony, Franmie "Fine" Heinrich, Donna Rogers and Char Turek took over the café and kept it running smoothly all day. That seemed to be a real success. No one should have gone away hungry!

Jean Louis and Vee Scudder took over the bake sale pricing and selling all day. They also kept the dishes done up and the kitchen in order.

Manning the quilt raffle table were Mary LaFleur and Arleen Turan. They were available at the Center for those of you who haven't made your purchase.

Alice Lewis, Carol Ford and I were "floaters" all day filling in where needed and talking to crafters and customers.

The donations that come in for the bake sale were, to say the least, "INCREDIBLE!" Everyone outdid themselves! If we didn't have it, you didn't need it! Except, of course, for the hot homemade bread. That was definitely missed! Next Year! I was especially touched by the generous donations made by people who had medical situations to tend to or had to be out of town, or had recently lost loved ones and still found time for us. You are absolute "ANGELS!" The list of bakers is so long, it would be hard to list you all, but we know who you are and we appreciate all you do SO MUCH!!!!

After the show was over, tables and chairs had to be put back in place, the café had to be cleaned up and signs taken down. Again, friends and volunteers stayed to see the project through to the end. THANK YOU! THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!

A big thank you also to the Advisor for the wonderful ads they put in the paper for us and to Jack's SuperValue meat department for their help. I also can't forget my "partner in crime", my hubby, Perry. He has made the signs (not the posters) and has helped me this year, as well as last year, putting them up and taking them down in all kinds of weather! What a guy!

Gerri Turek made the posters and Vee Scudder did the pictures. They did a beautiful job! Thanks ladies.

We will let you know next week how we did. All in all, it was a very successful day with a lot of work and so many people pulling together to make it a success. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Cathy Wise

Now my part comes in. Thank you Cathy Wise for taking on such a huge project. Although we have many volunteers, it is quite a project to keep things running smoothly. Where was I? I had taken a week's sabbatical as my sister, Ida was home from Indiana. She lost her husband on Memorial Day, so this was special "sister" time. It was great to know I could sit back and know there were no worries to be had. Great job Cathy and to all volunteers take pride in OUR senior center!

I have been asked what our plans are with the proceeds we made. You know girls, it doesn't take long to make a decision when shopping. We have decided to purchase magazine and brochure racks, along with possibly two new chairs to sit by the television. The current chairs are as old as I am, and that's not saying much. Donations for our military have been coming in on a steady basis. We have seen young and old pop their heads into the Center, dropping off a bag or two. We are still in

need of monetary donations to help supplement the shipping. The boxes cost us \$8 each, no matter what the weight.

Pat Collingwood and family, the Amity Group, Sharon Fish and Lucille Boyd gave recent donations. Treasure and trash donations were received from Geri Warren and Ray Popour, Marie Kokesh and Sharon Fish.

Dorothy Duquette dropped by with her trunk full of goodies. She gave a very generous donation of paper products. Thanks, Dorothy!

Bill Jessie and Loretta Kincaid donated medical equipment to the loan closet at the Center. The Hillys Turott dropped by with a gift of Christmas cards.

Monetary donations were received in memory of: Jim Love from Dorothy Love, Charlie Atwater from Mary Nell, Ruth and George Cornell from Bill and Ruth Robere and Lindsey Frenette from Francis and Rita Charter.

Maintenance and support donations were received from Julie and Ance Burrell, June Subbert and Charles Vetz. BRIDGE Nov. 12: 1st-Larry Savoie, 2nd-Audrey Savoie, 3rd-Carl Hough, 4th-Ruth Roemer, 5th-Eris Webb, CFC-Charlotte Dragos. Hostess Harriet Kaur served Brown Nut Cake.

BRIDGE Nov. 16th: 1st-Ray Krall, 2nd-Audrey Savoie, 3rd-Helen Barton, 4th-Eris Webb, 5th-Norma Archambault, CFC-Larry Savoie. Host Larry Savoie served Blueberry, Pecan, and Pumpkin Pies and cheese & crackers.

BRIDGE Nov. 14th: 1st-Gerry Henkel, 2nd-Nancy Casey, 3rd-Peg Beckman, 4th-Carl Sandling. 500 Nov. 9th: 1st-Marie Sellman, 2nd-Nancy Casey, 3rd-Audrey Newborn. CRIBBAGE Nov. 15th: 1st-Emma Hardy, 2nd-Ruth Robere.

BIRTHDAYS this week: 24-Michel Barton, Nov. 24-Michal Giewieski and Phyllis Nedeau, on Nov. 25-Carl Sandling, Nov. 27-Janet Gold, Nov. 28-Joyce DeMers and Virginia Erickson, Nov. 29-Eugenia Deloria and Rita Salter, and on Nov. 30-Helen Norboten, Janice Reider, and Pete Popour.

### Quick and Easy PUMPKIN TORTE

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Makes 12 servings

- 1 package (18.25 ounces) yellow cake mix
- Libby's easy pumpkin pie mix (30 oz.), divided
- large eggs
- vegetable oil
- Nestlé Carnation evaporated milk
- cornstarch
- orange-flavored liqueur (such as Grand Marnier) or orange juice, divided
- 1 1/2 cups frozen whipped topping, thawed
- Orange rind curls (optional)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease two 8- or 9-inch-round cake pans.

Beat cake mix, 1 1/2 cups pumpkin pie mix, eggs and oil in large mixer bowl 2 minutes. Spoon into prepared pans.

Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center of cakes comes out clean. Cool in pans on wire racks 10 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely.

Meanwhile whisk together evaporated milk and cornstarch in medium heavy-duty saucepan. Stir in remaining pumpkin pie mix and 1 tablespoon liqueur. Heat to boiling over medium heat, stirring constantly. Boil 1 minute or until thickened; remove from heat. Cover, cool to room temperature.

Sprinkle remaining 2 tablespoons orange liqueur over tops of cakes. Cut layers in half horizontally. Spread about 3/4 cup filling between each layer. Spread top of cake with whipped topping and garnish with orange curls, if desired.

Store in refrigerator.



Just in time for Christmas, the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce is selling tickets for its latest quilt raffle. Above: Executive Director Lenore Derouin and Office Assistant Mary Lou Marx show off the prize, a seasonal snowman quilt handcrafted by Derouin and finished just last week. The quilt will be displayed at various downtown businesses, leading up to the drawing on Monday, Dec. 10. Tickets are \$5 each, and only 400 will be sold. They can be purchased at the chamber office, from any Chamber Ambassador member, and at the Hair & Tanning Zone, the Peoples Store, the Eagles Club and Limestone Federal Credit Union. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)

### Report highlights Michigan's conservation under-spending

A series of research reports compiled by the Land Policy Institute (LPI) at Michigan State University became available earlier this month. The series, put together in a joint project with Heart of the Lakes Center for Land Conservation Policy, reports on the economic impact of land conservation related to a number of factors, including property values, the effect on local economies and the amount states spend on conservation.

According to Dr. Soji Adedija, director of the LPI and a professor of land policy at MSU, they are spearheading a body of research that "informs many issues critical to success in the New Economy."

"The protection and conservation of our natural resources, and maintaining a green infrastructure in Michigan's cities, will be a key to attracting and keeping the knowledge-based workers we need to build prosperity," Adedija says.

The first report looks at how much states spend on natural resources and environmental programs and the factors that drive those spending levels. The findings show that states vary widely in spending. Surprisingly, researchers say, the amount and variety of natural assets a state has does not appear to have a significant role in spending decisions as socioeconomic and political factors.

Only one state spends less, per capita, than Michigan on natural resources and environmental protection. LPI developed a model to assess what a state should spend given its natural resource base and socioeconomic and political realities. Based on that model, Michigan had the largest under-spending by far in the nation.

The report shows Michigan under-spending by \$3.16 per person. Given the state's 2005 population, that equals statewide conservation under-spending of \$32 million—the amount needed to close the gap to the spending level expected by the LPI model.

"These findings promise to be important tools for policymakers nationwide, as well as those working to solve our own state's problematic disinvestment in Michigan's natural assets," says Rachel Kuntzsch, executive director for Heart of the Lakes Center.

The next report in the series will focus on the effects of state parks and recreation areas on local economies.

The reports can be found at [www.heartofthelakes.org](http://www.heartofthelakes.org) and [www.landpolicy.msu.edu](http://www.landpolicy.msu.edu).

### SCCF awards seven grants in the latest funding round

At its Oct. 30 meeting, the Schoolcraft County Community Foundation (SCCF) awarded seven mini-grants totaling \$4,820 to local organizations.

Three of the grants were awarded to educational programs for youth, with money from the SCCF's Kelligoe Youth Fund.

The largest contribution in this round was an award of \$2,000 to the Manistiquette Recreation Committee, for trail development and signs at the city's new Central Park development.

The SCCF funding will generate a total of \$8,000 through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant that matches local contributions to a three-to-one basis.

The Thompson Historical Advisory Committee received \$500 to help fund a Gwinn High School production of "The Christmas Schooner" musical at the Frederick Auditorium in Manistiquette on Dec. 15.

Project Petunia got a \$350 grant to replace six hanging baskets and install four new in-ground flower beds.

The Manistiquette Senior Citizens Center received \$390 to purchase a digital camera and supplies to promote senior activities in their newsletter.

In addition to 16 designated, or "donor advised" funds, the community foundation may provide mini-grants from its unrestricted fund. The organization awards grants twice a year, in April and October. Application deadlines are March 31 and Sept. 30.

The foundation has given more than \$89,800 to area groups. For more information on contributing or applying for a mini-grant, write to the SCCF at P.O. Box 452, Manistiquette, MI 49854.

### Fire season

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vent by taking proper precautionary measures, said Paul Kollmeier, DNR fire prevention specialist.

"When you consider the price tag for combating a fire, preventing them is far safer, cheaper and easier than fighting them," Kollmeier said.

"Everyone can help reduce costs for local, state and federal units of government by simply being more cautious with fire."

Persistent drought conditions throughout the state, along with numerous resources being committed to the Sleeper Lake Fire, created a threat that other fires could become large and complex as well.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm responded to that threat by issuing a proclamation to prohibit outdoor fires and smoking in forested areas. Her actions, combined with a media campaign about safe burning and restrictions on burn permits during hazardous times of the season, helped to greatly

reduce the number of negligently-caused fires, DNR officials said.

Kollmeier added that the threat of fire remains present in November because of mostly mild, dry weather conditions and yard clean-up activities that occur this time of year, such as burning leaves and brush.

"Michigan residents are reminded that they need to check with local officials or obtain a burn permit in order to burn outdoors legally," Kollmeier said.

In southern Michigan, residents must contact their local fire official or township office for regulations on burning.

In northern Michigan, people should log on to [www.michigan.gov/burnpermit](http://www.michigan.gov/burnpermit) or call (866) 922-BURN to get a permit before doing any outdoor burning.

### THANKSGIVING DAY

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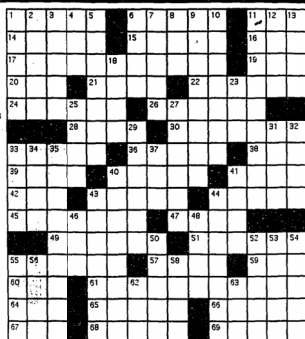
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**DOUBLE TAKE** By Mark Szorady

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**HOROSCOPES Nov. 25 - Dec. 2** Your Horoscope by Charles Cooper

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) You need to fasten to you. Avoid that's fine since you've agreed to maintain your pre-contracting the people. One can have an off-week. ARIUS (Jan. 20) have the opposite effect. Things aren't you want.

**Taurus** (April 20 to May 21) You're all around have a very specific idea rocky time. Some around DAVIS: Tina Turner, Nov. 28; success. Later in the week. SCORPIO (Dec. 22) you'd like, both at work provided for entertainment.

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# Kopecky finishes tenure on draft board but keeps historic interest

Jane Kopecky of Manistique was recently recognized for serving two decades on Local Board 21 of the Selective Service System. Honoring Kopecky for her tenure was Selective Service Detachment Commander Andrea Sting.

In 1987, Kopecky was nominated for the board by Michigan Gov. James Blanchard and appointed by President Ronald Reagan.

She retired this fall after serving 20 years, the maximum time allowed. Some people might be surprised to realize that the Selective Service System even exists, since the federal draft was discontinued and an all-volunteer military force established in 1973.

But in 1980, Congress reinstated the requirement that all men between the ages of 18 and 25 register with Selective Service, so that the draft could be readily resumed.

Kopecky says the system remains in place as a contingency. If Congress ever did decide to reinstate a mandatory draft, the local boards would once again become active.

In addition to being instructed in legal issues, training sessions for board members include mock interviews with men requesting conscientious objection status, ministry deferrals, hardship cases and a host of other judgmental issues.

"It was an interesting experience, but I hope the board never has to become active," Kopecky says. Interestingly, she was originally nominated to be on the board because of the numerous calls she placed in the early 1980s to Selective Service in Washington, D.C.

A Manistique High School teacher (now retired) and dedicated amateur historian, Kopecky wanted to learn more about Camp 135, the conscientious objectors' camp that was established in Gemfask during World War II.

"I really begged them, asking specific questions they couldn't answer," she recalls. At the time, she had no idea draft boards were being reinstated, but during one of her calls to Selective Service, they asked if she'd like to be considered for a seat on a local board. She said yes, her name was submitted to Michigan government officials, and she was soon beginning her 20 years of service.

Her interest in the draft - and draft resisters - never faded. In fact, Kopecky has gone on to become an expert on the subject, particularly when it comes to the last story of Camp 135.

The facility was located at Gemfask's former Civilian Conservation Corps camp. Yet today, the site's Depression-era CCC heritage is denoted by a sign, while few people know what occurred there during the latter years of the Second World War.

The conscientious objectors housed at Gemfask, known as COs and called "conchies" by the locals, were considered the most "incurable" opponents of the war.

Other objectors were sent to a variety of facilities around the country, some by churches, some by the government, but Gemfask was reserved for those whose non-violent beliefs were so strong that officials saw no other choice but to put them somewhere remote and isolated - in short, to consign them to the north woods of the Upper Peninsula.

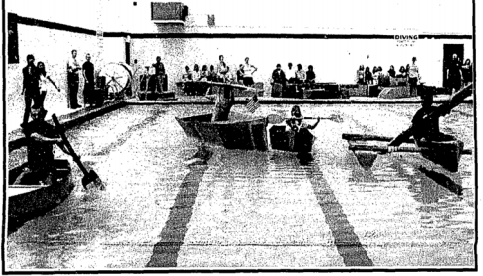
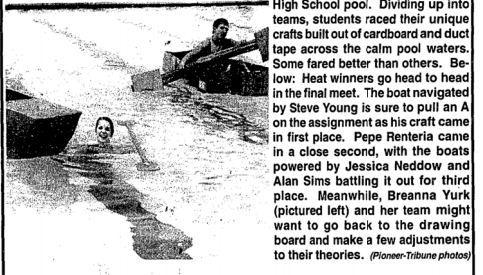
In a 2005 interview with the Pioneer-Tribune, Kopecky said the peaceful protest carried out by a small group of Gemfask COs was one of the first organized anti-draft protests in America.

The objectors were dedicated to their philosophy of non-violence, but their views were not received kindly by most area residents, who saw the COs not as peace advocates but unpatriotic, lazy draft-dodgers. Encounters between the locals and the "conchies" led to near riots and lynchings. Ultimately the men from the camp were banned from visiting Manistique and Newberry.

Kopecky believes that dark history is one reason the story is largely forgotten today. For her part, she was unwilling to see the tale consigned to the dustbin of the past.



Students in Mr. Ziemba's physics class had the opportunity to put their buoyancy and water displacement theories to the test Monday during a "regatta" held in the Manistique High School pool. Dividing up into teams, students raced their unique crafts built out of cardboard and duct tape across the calm pool waters. Some fared better than others. Below: Heat winners go head to head in the final meet. The boat navigated by Steve Young is sure to put an A on the assignment as his craft came in first place. Pepe Renteria came in a close second, with the boats powered by Jessica Neddow and Alan Sims battling it out for third place. Meanwhile, Breanna Yurk (pictured left) and her team might want to go back to the drawing board and make a few adjustments to their theories. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)



## SMH Board moves its meetings back a day

The date of this month's board meetings for Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital and the Woodland Meadows assisted living center have been moved back one day.

Instead of the usual schedule, which would have had the meetings on Nov. 26, the combined sessions will instead be held on Tuesday, Nov. 27. The meetings will take place at 6:30 p.m., in the Lighthouse Room at Hiawatha Behavioral Health, 125 N. Lake St., in Manistique.

## Manistique AAU Lady Gems Girls Basketball

**PARENT INFORMATIONAL MEETING**  
Wednesday, Nov. 28 at 7 p.m.  
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## Athlete Try Outs Sunday, Dec. 2 - MHS Gym

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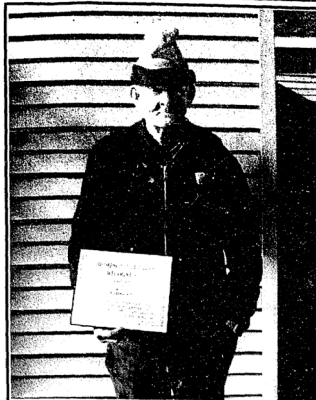
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### 'Mudcat' honored by township board

It's hard to imagine what the community would do without him, and now the Thompson Township Board of Trustees has recognized the years of work by Ralph "Mudcat" Burt in maintaining Manistique DDA facilities and helping countless residents around town. As part of its ongoing program to honor individuals, businesses and organizations that make a difference in the county, the board chose Burt as its November honoree. The certificate acknowledges him for "all the years of service to your community providing lawn service, snowblowing, trash removal and assistance to fellow citizens that can not do for themselves." Suggestions for future honorees can be submitted to any township board member or mailed to P.O. Box 174, Manistique, MI 49854. (Submitted photo)

### MAS Board

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at "proficient" levels - something McDonough suggested could only happen "magically."

She said they are evaluating the district's scores and focusing on certain areas, including grades where test results showed a downward trend, and the percentage of students testing at the lowest levels did not improve from year to year, and where there was a difference of greater than 10 percent in the number of males and females meeting state standards.

The district's test results are regularly reviewed by administration, faculty and the school improvement team to assure that goals are being met.

In other business...

- heard an update from Chandler on the recent move into the new Emerald Elementary School. He said the process went smoothly, but noted the transition was probably easier for students than staff, who had to deal with a number of logistical issues created by moving all of the district's elementary students under one roof for the first time;
- learned that the sale of the former Lincoln School closed Nov. 14. The building and land were sold for \$72,250 to Thomas and Joe Blanchard of McMillan, who have not yet disclosed their plans for the site;
- approved the annual resolution to continue levying 50 percent of school taxes in the city of Manistique during the summer. That keeps in place the system the district has been using for many years;
- adopted a resolution to lay off Sandy Orr as a part-time breakfast server. She will retain her job as an aide. The server position was on the list of cuts approved by the board last spring. By contract, the layoff will not take effect for 30 days. Chandler said that will give them time to evaluate whether the position is needed at the Emerald School. If so, the resolution would not be acted on after the layoff would not go into effect;
- held a first reading of changes to athletic procedures and regulations, spelling out membership on the district athletic council. The changes reduce the number of coaches on the council from "all" to two, increase the number of community members, and adds the superintendent and a booster club representative.
- appointed new athletic council members. Named to the committee as "community members" were Barb Landis, Gail Hotoile, Cheryl Vaughn, Kristie Mickelson, Chris Gonyea and Rollie Lambert. Lori Latterman will represent the Green Fire Booster Club. Chandler was appointed as superintendent;
- appointed Tom Selling as coach of the second seventh grade boys' basketball team;
- held an executive session to discuss negotiations and an attorney-client communication.

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### Lost

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about George's mother, and they found that no one there knew the whereabouts of the family. This caused an alarm, and a number of people searched for about a month to no avail. In the meantime, Mead had contacted Mr. Wilson.

In early spring of 1882, a man by the name of James Dustin had filed for a homestead on the south and east end of Shoepac Lake, in T44N, R12W, N 1/2 of SW 1/4 and lots 1 and 2 of section 28. His means of travel to get to the homestead would have been to come by boat from Whitefish Lake (South Manistique Lake) into Shoepac Creek. This would take him into Shoepac Lake, where he would go to the south and then be at his holdings.

At nighttime, Mr. Dustin could hear screams coming from the north side of the lake. He assumed them to be some wild animal of the cat family, that is until he was out among the people of the area and a man by the name of David Terry told him that it could be the woman who had become lost and was never found.

Terry got an Indian and a white man, quite possible Dustin, to go with him. They crossed Whitefish Lake and went up Shoepac Creek. When they got up the creek almost to Shoepac Lake, there on the north bank was Sarah, for she had been carrying water for her mother in one of the lady's shoes.

The trail from where they had found Sarah to the crude shelter the mother had made for protection from the elements was well marked with bits of cloth, so Sarah would not get lost on her many trips to the creek.

Sarah told the men that her mother had just spoken to her about getting some water. Checking, they found the mother dead, but her body was still warm. Peter had been dead for some time.

Mrs. Wilson and her children had covered about four miles from their cabin, as a crow would fly, and through some of the worst country you could ask for.

The bodies of Mrs. Wilson and Peter were taken to McMillan and were shipped out by a train going east, it is assumed to Canada, where the family had come from originally.

There was an incident before the coffin was placed on the train. When the husband wanted to look in the coffin, he was refused by the train people, but when the train folks left for lunch, he pried the coffin open and was sorry he had. So this incident proves that the bodies were recovered and shipped out.

Sarah was taken to the home of David Terry and stayed there until she recovered from her ordeal. Someone wrote her up an account of what she had told them. This she took with her when she was allowed to go on the passenger train when it stopped at McMillan. The train people would hold up the train while she went through the passenger car and sold copies. This went on until the authorities found that the dad was using the money to drown his troubles in drinking. They then discontinued letting Sarah on the train.

In later years, a few people had seen her in side shows, where she would tell her life history.

There was one incident where a woman had been passing through on the train, enjoying her honeymoon, and had bought the leaflet from Sarah at McMillan.

As Sarah told her story, they would travel in the daytime only. They walked and walked, through water and swamps. They walked until Peter could not continue. That is when Mrs. Wilson made the crude shelter. They swatted mosquitoes until their arms ached. They ate roots, grass, birds' eggs, green cranberries, and one time a raw squirrel.

She said that her mother continued to yell and yell, mostly at night. When James Dustin heard Sarah's story, he felt very bad, for it was Sarah's mother that he heard screaming night after night, but how could he have known? This was all new to these pioneer people.

As I said before, in later years Sarah was seen in side shows and told her story to whoever would listen. Several people had seen her at these shows.

George Wilson Jr. stayed at the Ezekiel Ackley home for some time, until his father came for him.

"At one time, a township supervisor by the name of Detmer and several other volunteers made up a monument that they placed at the mouth of Shoepac Creek where it enters into Whitefish Lake. I remember seeing this monument. It was made of clear plastic, with a sheet of paper telling what happened. Even though this was not the correct location, give them credit for being civic-minded and doing this good deed for the pioneer lady and her children. Vandals got to the monument and it had to be moved, which is par for the course with the vandalism nowadays.

If this location would have been the correct location, James Dustin would have seen them, for he would have rowed his boat right past them.

You might ask, where was the right location for where they were found?

I was visiting my aunt and uncle one time and brought up the topic about the lost woman and her children. Seeing as my aunt and uncle had lived in Curtis for a number of years, they might know something.

My aunt's father had a homestead near Shoepac Lake in later years: T44N, R12W, SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, SW 1/2 of NE 1/4, NE 1/4 of SW 1/4, NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of section 20. My aunt told me to see her sister, for she had been there and could tell me.

A few years back, in 1943, before I went into the service the same year, I delivered groceries for a store in town. I remembered her sister, for she was one of our customers.

This lady told me that the people of her family had a boat on Shoepac Lake that they used to row out Shoepac Creek into Whitefish Lake, then on into Curtis.

It seems that one of the men that helped the Wilson people had died Mrs. Wilson's apron to this small tree or bush where Sarah's path came out when she went to get water for her mother.

The lady told me her uncle had stopped and inspected the apron. She also stated that the apron had flagged there for years.

I asked why she had never told anyone about where the Wilson people were found. Her answer was that no one had ever asked her about it.

This lady was a daughter of the mentioned George Cook. She later married a Sam Allen, and they homesteaded near Shoepac Lake. Her name was Susan Cook.

You'll have to understand that women of Mrs. Wilson's age group, and being housewives, were not fully dressed unless they had an apron on.

Executive Director Ray Blount (left) recently accepted a check in the amount of \$13,400 on behalf of Habitat for Humanity HiawathaLand from State Savings Bank Vice President Eric Oas. Habitat will use the funds for down payment assistance and in their rehabilitation of deteriorating properties. State Savings received the money through their partnership with the Federal Home Loan Bank. With the recent funds included, the total assistance presented to date is \$23,000. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)



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### Arts

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serve as community focal points and information centers. Sixty-one percent of all respondents and 59 percent of Michigan respondents visited a library at least once during the last 12 months, averaging nearly 10 visits annually.

- Sixty-two percent of respondents and 64 percent of Michigan respondents took an average of four pleasure trips to destinations more than 50 miles from home during the last 12 months; 52 percent of them visited some type of historical attraction or site during at least one of their pleasure trips, followed by 40 percent who visited a museum and 40 percent who visited a festival. Eighteen percent said cultural tourism was the only purpose for their trip.
- Cultural attractions and programs assigned the greatest average importance by all respondents were: gardens, zoos, aquariums, historical attractions, museums, cultural fairs/festivals, and customs and ways of living. Opportunities to purchase products grown locally and agricultural attractions and events were also important factors in selecting pleasure-trip destinations.

Betty Boone, director of HAL's Office of Cultural Economic Development, said the findings will help guide organizations and communities in strategically investing in their arts and cultural resources, recognizing those resources as assets that "not only improve their residents' quality of life but also as major factors in nourishing and growing their local economies."

The survey and the state's official Cultural Economic Development (CED) Strategy are available online at [www.michigan.gov/ced](http://www.michigan.gov/ced).

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The Emerald girls junior varsity basketball team will kick-off their 2007-08 season at 6 p.m. Tuesday night against Munising at home in the Richard Bonifas Gymnasium. Members of the team are (front row, from left): Mindy Miller, Alecia Goudreau, Nichole Tenuta, Samantha Bryant, Carlie Kangas, Chantal Albricht, (back row) Millicent Weber, Ashlee Henry, Marcy Hoholik, Emily Hepker, Coach Craig Hepker, Brandy Gould, Abbey Wood and Kim Schuetter. (Pioneer-Tribune photo)



With a 34-3 victory over Aurora College Nov. 3, the Lakeland Muskies wrapped up their 2007 gridiron season as co-champions of the Illini-Badger Football Conference. Lakeland, with three former Manistique High School football players on the roster, finished 6-1 in the conference, 6-4 overall. They shared the conference title with Concordia University of Wisconsin. (From left: Former Emeralds Bill Wood, Everett Wood and Jared Martin in action. (Photos courtesy of Jay Martin)

# 2007-2008 Emeralds Varsity Girls Basketball

## Ashbrook pleased with varsity team mix, looking for a competitive season

The Manistique Emeralds girls' varsity basketball team will open its first-ever winter season at home against Munising Nov. 27, and coach Laurel Ashbrook is looking for a campaign that is "interesting and exciting."

The Emeralds are coming off a fall 2006 season that saw them beat Rudyard for the district championship before falling to Houghton in the regionals, ending with an 11-12 record.



Coach Laurel Ashbrook

The squad has also lost several key players like Katie LaMuth and Emily Zellar. LaMuth was among the Mid-Peninsula Conference's top scorers last year, and earned second team all-conference and all-U.P. mentions.

"Losing veterans like Katie and Emily leaves us some holes to be filled, but with the makeup of this year's team, that certainly is not insurmountable," Ashbrook says.

The Emeralds will look to Kimmy Vallier to continue both her scoring success and her aggressive play on defense.

Ashbrook is also expecting good things from Bailee Lawrence and Kayla LaMuth, who

worked diligently during the off-season.

"They'll be expected to be a stronger force on the offensive end," she says. "We're hoping for these two to put up double figures consistently and employ a quicker, more physical defensive style."

Alison Cook will bring a tenacious defense and quick footwork to the mix.

"We want Alison's intensity on defense to carry over into making her a scoring threat, as well," the coach says.

Other bright spots are Melanie Neddow, who brings

inside the paint" when she finishes on her post moves, and Jessica Neddow will add some good scoring options and added quickness for the Emeralds.

As the season approaches, the coach is emphasizing the importance of strong, consistent defense.

"We're hoping to employ a quick yet physical style of defense," she says. "We've really been pushing the defensive end of the game in our practices, as well as making good contact on our rebounding."

Ashbrook pegs the Westwood Patriots as the conference favorites this year, in part because two top players, Chelsie Wealton and Jessica Racine are returning.

Can the Emeralds compete against them?

Ashbrook thinks they can.

"We faced them at a couple of team camps this summer and fared quite well against them," she says.

Overall, she wants her squad to dictate the game to their style and comfort zone, rather than letting the opponents do it.

If they can do that, the Emeralds can be successful.

"I think the makeup of this year's team will be very competitive," Ashbrook says.

her strong, physical play in the paint to both ends of the court.

### Elks Hoop Shoot set

Local competition for the annual Elks Hoop Shoot, known as "the national free throw shooting contest," will take place Saturday, Dec. 1, at 11 a.m., at the Manistique High School gym.

The competition is open to boys and girls in three age categories: 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13. Age group will be determined by the contestant's age as of April 1, 2008.

### U.P. Trappers schedule fur pickups for auction

On Saturday, Dec. 1, the Upper Peninsula Trappers Association will be picking up furs at various places around the U.P. The furs are being picked up for Fur Harvesters Auction Inc., an international auction house in North Bay, Ontario.

Members of the trappers association say the house has a

and Ariel Reque, who has gotten quicker and is expected to play with improved consistency.

Ashbrook says Leanne Vaughn will "do some damage

Each competitor will be allowed 25 shots. Those with the best scores will advance to district competition at Escanaba Senior High School on Saturday, Dec. 22. The winners there will advance to the Michigan state finals in downstate Midland on Jan. 26.

The local qualifying event is sponsored each year by the members of Elks Lodge 632 in Manistique.

reputation for handling top quality, well-graded wild fur, and is known for commanding top prices from international buyers.

Trappers wanting to take advantage of the market can have their furs picked up by the association at several times through the season.

Dec. 1 pickups are slated

### Varsity Girls Basketball 2007-08 Schedule

TUESDAY	NOV 27	MUNISING	HOME	7:30 PM
Friday	Nov 30	Negaunee	Away	7:45 pm
Tuesday	DEC 4	Ishpeming	Away	7:30 pm
THURSDAY	DEC 6	NORWAY	HOME	7:30 PM
Thursday	Dec 13	Gwinn	Away	7:30 pm
Friday	Dec 14	Iron Mountain	Away	7:30 pm
Tuesday	Dec 18	Westwood	Away	7:30 pm
FRIDAY	DEC 21	NWBERRY	HOME	7:30 PM
FRIDAY	DEC 28	NEGAUNEE	HOME	7:30 PM
WEDNESDAY	JAN 2	ST. IGNACE	HOME	7:30 PM
Friday	Jan 4	Gladstone	Away	7:15 pm
Tuesday	Jan 8	Munising	Away	7:30 pm
FRIDAY	JAN 11	ISHPEMING	HOME	7:30 PM
TUESDAY	JAN 15	RUDYARD	HOME	7:30 PM
Friday	Jan 17	Norway	Away	7:30 pm
TUESDAY	JAN 22	IRON MOUNTAIN	HOME	7:30 PM
TUESDAY	JAN 29	GWINN	HOME	7:30 PM
Friday	Feb 1	Stephenson	Away	8 pm
TUESDAY	FEB 5	WESTWOOD	HOME	7:30 PM
Friday	FEB 15	Newberry	Away	7:30 pm

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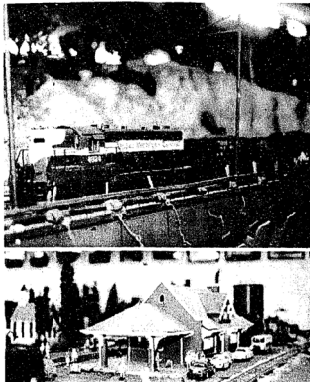
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residents arrested for same 11:01 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2007 8:02 a.m. EMS, within city of Manistique 11:20 a.m. Lockout, Maple Street 2:30 p.m. Fraudulent activities, Elk Street 2:45 p.m. Identity theft, within city of Manistique 3:32 p.m. Vehicle pedestrian accident, River Street Thursday, Nov. 15, 2007 12:40 a.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette 11:20 a.m. Abandoned vehicle, River Street 11:50 a.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette 3:05 p.m. Check scam, within city of Manistique 4 p.m. Smoking problem, Cedar Street 6:25 p.m. Welfare check, Steuben Street 6:30 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street 6:30 p.m. Assault, River Street 7:15 p.m. EMS, Gernfask Township 7:30 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street Friday, Nov. 16, 2007 12:12 a.m. EMS, within city of Manistique 4:55 a.m. Citizen assist, Iron Street 8:32 a.m. Citizen assist, Park Avenue 10:35 a.m. EMS, within city of Manistique 11:20 a.m. Larceny of prescription medication, within city of Manistique 12:45 p.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette 2:15 p.m. Endangered child, U.S. Highway 2 3 p.m. Trespassing, Cedar Street 5:05 p.m. Property damage accident hit and run, Cedar Street 5:30 p.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette 10:05 p.m. Assist, Main Street Saturday, Nov. 17, 2007 7:20 a.m. Alarm, Oak Street 11:40 a.m. Funeral traffic, intersection of Maple Street and U.S. Highway 2 1:35 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street 1:53 p.m. Possible domestic, Schoolcraft Avenue 2:48 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street 4:35 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street 5 p.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette Sunday, Nov. 18, 2007 1:50 a.m. EMS, Doyle Township 6:25 a.m. Suspicious situation, intersection of Manistique and Cattaraugus avenues 10:14 a.m. Assault, Delta Avenue 11:10 a.m. EMS, Transfer to Marquette 12:17 p.m. EMS, Thompson Township 1:32 p.m. EMS, within city of Manistique 3:35 p.m. Property damage accident, U.S. Highway 2 5:32 p.m. EMS, within city of Manistique 7:37 p.m. EMS, Hiawatha Township 8:57 p.m. EMS, within city of Manistique



The monthly open houses held by the Upper Michigan Central Model Railroad Club in Escanaba, and this week's three-day Thanksgiving event, allow the public to learn more about the hobby of model railroading. They also give members of the club a chance to show off their various layouts, which include equipment and scenes like these. Top left: The Upper Michigan Central engine on an ore dock. Top right: A road switcher at Gabrielson. Bottom left: The station at Escanaba Junction. (Submitted photos)

Club sets three-day holiday open house

For some time now, the Upper Michigan Central Model Railroad Club has been hosting monthly open houses in Escanaba, but the group is going all-out with its latest project: a three-day Thanksgiving Open House. The event will take place this Friday, Nov. 23, from 7 to 10 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 24, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, Nov. 25, from 1 to 5 p.m. The open house will be held on the lower level of the 8th Street Coffee House, located at 720 Ludington Street in Escanaba. Like the regular monthly sessions, this weekend's open house will give the public a chance to see some of the club's model railroad layouts in operation, meet members, ask questions and learn more about the hobby. For more information about the club or the open house, call Darryl Barnett at (906) 428-1385 or Gary Stiles at (906) 428-3472.

Landowners take part in climate program

Michigan landowners will receive additional revenue for fighting global warming through conservation and good stewardship of the land. As part of the Michigan Conservation and Climate Initiative (MCCI), landowners in the state implemented 30,629 acres of conservation practices, earning them carbon offset credits for sale on the U.S. carbon market. The conservation practices will "lock up" 23,049 metric tons of carbon dioxide, considered the primary contributor to global warming, annually offsetting the carbon dioxide emissions from 4,232 cars. Depending on the market price, landowners will earn an additional \$1 to \$3 per acre for implementing conservation practices. With the goal of helping landowners generate revenue from the emerging carbon market, the Delta Institute, the Michigan Association of Conservation Districts and the Michigan Department of Agriculture collaborated to form the MCCI. The initiative provides an entry point into the U.S. carbon market for farmers and landowners who want to enroll their lands and earn carbon offset credits for implementing certain practices that improve carbon sequestration. Landowners sell their carbon offset credits on the Chicago Climate Exchange, a voluntary, member-based market comprised of large companies, municipalities and institutions, including Ford, Dow Chemical, DTE Energy and Michigan State University. To earn credits, a landowner must enroll his or her land with a Chicago Climate Exchange Registered Aggregator, such as the Delta Institute, and implement one or more of the following practices: Conservation tillage, commonly known as no-till or strip-till agriculture. Grass plantings, such as native grass plantings or prairie restoration. Tree plantings. Methane capture through the use of an anaerobic manure digester. The Chicago Climate Exchange assigns pre-determined credits for each practice. For conservation tillage, a landowner earns a carbon offset credit of 0.4 or 0.6 metric tons per acre per year, depending on their location within the state. For grass plantings, a landowner earns a credit of one metric ton per acre per year. Tree-planting credits vary by species and age, but average three metric tons per acre per year. By far, anaerobic manure digesters earn the greatest carbon-offset credits — 21 metric tons for every one ton of methane destroyed. There is no cost to enroll, but landowners must sign a contract and commit to maintain the conservation practice through 2010. The next enrollment period is now open and will continue until March. Officials say Michigan's 79 conservation districts are the "conservation gateway" for the initiative, providing landowners with project information, enrollment assistance and verification services. For more information on the MCCI program, visit your local conservation district office or go to www.michiganclimate.org.

State retirees plan Christmas luncheon

Upper Peninsula Chapter 16 of the State Employees Retirees Association will hold its annual Christmas luncheon Monday, Dec. 3, at noon, at the Elk Lodge, located at 510 Ludington St., in Escanaba. All members and their guests are encouraged to attend the event, which will include an election of three board members and musical entertainment from Marie Peterson and Keith Hallert. Reservations for the luncheon should be made by contacting Arlene Paulson at (906) 785-7199 or writing to her at 315 S. 8th St., Escanaba, MI 49829.

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Rhonda Kay McCulloch, 34, of Manistique, plead guilty in 11th Judicial Circuit Court to obtaining controlled substance by fraud. She was sentenced to eight months in the Schoolcraft County Jail and received credit for 32 days served. Two months are to be served immediately with the balance of the sentence held over 12 months probation. She was assessed \$60 state costs, \$60 victim restitution, \$400 court costs, \$400 attorney fees, \$300 county probation oversight fee, \$100 victim restitution fund, \$1,320 total. Her license was also suspended for 180 days. Travis James Gillingham, 38, of Manistique, plead guilty in 11th Judicial Circuit Court to delivery/manufacturing of a controlled substance and police officer assault (7/07). He was sentenced to serve eight months in the Schoolcraft County Jail and received credit for five days served. Two months are to be served immediately with the balance held over 12 months probation. His license was suspended for 365 days. He was assessed \$120 state costs, \$60 victim restitution, \$500 court costs, \$500 attorney fees, \$300 county probation oversight fee, \$100 victim restitution fund, \$2,080 total. Daniel Al Makin, 34, of Manistique, plead guilty in 11th Judicial Circuit Court to weapons - firearms possession (9/07). He was sentenced to eight months in the Schoolcraft County Jail and credit for 22 days served was applied. Two months are to be served immediately with the balance held

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over 18 months probation. He was assessed \$60 state costs, \$300 county probation oversight fee, \$60 victim restitution fund, \$500 court costs, \$500 attorney fees, \$1,500 victim restitution fund, \$1,520 total. Robert John Nyman, 33, of Marquette, charged with driving 65 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (7/07). Assessed \$100. Walter Joseph Caswell, 59, of Newberry, charged with failure to use precautions with body gripping trap over six inches (10/07). Assessed \$125. John Tyler-Jackson Debelak, 22, of Skandia, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (11/07). Assessed \$100. Ginny Giddings, 46, of Curtis, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (11/07). Assessed \$100. Jack Bradley Noguera, 42, of Skandia, charged driving 60 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (11/07). Assessed \$100. Mary Seavans, 42, of Manistique, charged with littering (8/07). Assessed \$194.71. Donald Alan Slater, 47, of Sault Ste. Marie, charged with vehicle registration violation (11/07). Assessed \$110. Susan Jennifer Stroede, 40, of Marquette, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (8/07). Assessed \$100. Lilah Jean Nuquist, 29, of

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received credit for four days served. Two months are to be served immediately with the balance held over 12 months probation. He was assessed \$150 state costs, \$100 fine, \$100 victim restitution fund, \$350 total. His license was suspended for 180 days. Justin Boyd Groenveid, 19, of Kingsford, charged with disregard to no pass zone (11/07). Assessed \$100. Marquette, charged with driving 65 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (7/07). Assessed \$100. Justin Boyd Groenveid, 19, of Kingsford, charged with disregard to no pass zone (11/07). Assessed \$100. Travellers hitting the road for Thanksgiving are getting a stern reminder from Michigan law enforcement officials, who will once again be cracking down on drunk drivers and safety-belt violators. According to the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning, hundreds of officers from agencies across the state will be taking part in special patrols over the Thanksgiving travel period. More than 140 agencies in 30 counties are receiving federal traffic safety funds administered by the OHSP for the high-visibility enforcement campaign. The list of counties includes

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