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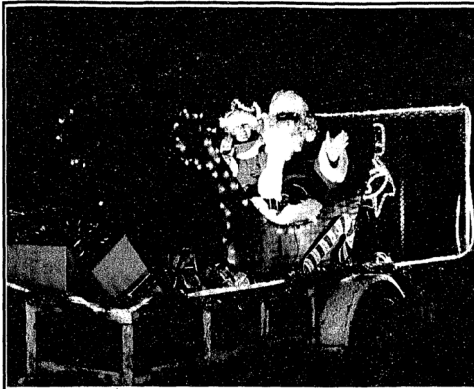
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It's by far their busiest season of the year, but Santa and Mrs. Claus still took time out last Friday to serve as grand marshals for the Manistique Merchants Association Christmas Parade. The 12th annual event, which marks the beginning of the holidays each year, featured many decorated vehicles, floats, marchers and thousands of colorful Christmas lights brightening the chilly Upper Peninsula night. Entries ranged from the spiritual to the celebratory to the just plain silly, and drew an enthusiastic response from the spectators lining the streets. More parade photos and judging results can be found on page B2. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)



City Council says no to Nativity scene in park

By Paul Olson
 It's an issue that has divided communities, led to public referendums and spawned countless court cases. Now the Manistique City Council has split on the question of allowing a Nativity scene on public property.
 By a 2-3 vote Monday, council rejected a motion to allow a privately-sponsored Nativity display in Triangle Park, alongside the Manistique Public Safety Department's familiar "Santa's Fantasy" workshop. Council members Jack Hoag and Dan Ewonich voted to permit the display. Jan Jeffcoat, Chris Rantanen and Mayor David Peterson were opposed.

The request for a display was made at the Nov. 13 council meeting by Rev. Steven Jones of the Manistique Harbor Pentecostal Church of God.
 Jones repeated his request during the first public comment period Monday, and acknowledged that the issue was controversial.
 "I'm not here to cause troubles or divisions. I'm just exercising my free speech," he said. "Our public park has been a venue for free speech for many years that I've been here, religious and non-religious."

Jones said the annual Santa's workshop display represented "secular free speech." He said their group wanted the "opportunity to honor our creator and pledge to another generation that we want to keep the real reason we celebrate Christmas."
 "I understand the challenges before you. This will require a lot of courage on your part," Jones said. "It also takes courage on my part to stand before you and ask this."

The display also had support from Rev. Don Bedwell of First United Methodist Church, president of the Manistique Mission Association.
 Bedwell said their coalition of local church officials had unanimously endorsed the idea

finding many reasons to object. For example, in its protest of the Menominee display, the Freedom From Religion Foundation not only complained about the publicly-owned exhibit but the fact that tax money was used to illuminate it at night.
 In an opinion presented to council Monday, City Attorney John Filoramo said the law "is in a state of flux."

Filoramo said allowing private holiday displays on city property would be constitutional, provided the city did

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City gets grant to build fishing piers

By Paul Olson
 Efforts to improve the city's waterfront area got a boost last week, when it was learned that a major grant had been received from the Great Lakes Fishery Trust (GLFT). The \$384,700 grant and a \$40,000 match from the Downtown Development Authority will pay for construction of three handicapped-accessible fishing piers on the west side of the Manistique River, along with concrete sidewalks and wooden boardwalks connecting the piers to the nearby boat launch parking area.
 At its Nov. 13 meeting, council had agreed to seek proposals, but set a deadline only one week away.
 Aldrich said Monday that the request for proposals was not advertised in the Pioneer-Tribune, the city's legal paper of record, but instead appeared twice in the Escanaba Daily Press. Also, because of the tight deadline, several firms objected that they had not received the notice until Nov. 19, just two days before proposals were due. She presented letters from U.P. Engineers and Architects and a Gladstone firm called Timberland Engineering Inc., both noting that they could not prepare a proposal in the time allowed.

Council agreed to re-advertise with a Dec. 6 deadline. That will allow proposals to be on the agenda for consideration and approval at the Dec. 10 meeting.
 She also said the project, which should take place next

SMH and MCF meeting over swing bed dispute

By Paul Olson
 Officials at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital are hoping they can resolve an issue over the use of their swing beds — an issue that has to be cleared up before the federal government will approve a loan guarantee for a new health care facility.
 SMH Chief Executive Officer Fred Makowski said this week that the Department of Housing and Urban Development is ready to do the credit review on their application for a 100 percent loan guarantee, but first the agency needs

some "final pieces of information."
 "One part of that is a statement saying there is no financial concern from the project," Makowski said. "But we have to resolve the swing bed issue before we can do that."
 Swing beds have been an important part of SMH operations since 2000, when the hospital was designated as a critical access health care facility, allowing them to be reimbursed by Medicare for the actual costs of providing patient treatment.
 To fall under the critical

access rules, the hospital was required to give up some of its in-patient beds. However, they were allowed to designate 10 of those beds as swing beds, to be used by patients who meet certain criteria and are awaiting space at the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility.
 The question now is how long patients can be kept in a swing bed before being transferred to the MCF. Under federal rules, a swing bed can be used up to 100 days, while the state of Michigan says a transfer must take place within five days, once notice is received

that a bed is available at a long-term care facility.
 Earlier this year, MCF officials filed a complaint with the state Bureau of Health Services (BHS), alleging that the hospital was violating state rules and the terms of its original swing bed certificate of need by keeping people longer than five days.
 Last summer, the BHS conducted a review of swing bed use over a four-month period.
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Seven stops are included on the ninth annual holiday home tour, sponsored by Habitat for Humanity HiawathaLand. The destinations include the Woodland Meadows Assisted Living Facility and (top row, from left): the Fish home, Hovey's Bear Trap Resort, the Conklin home and the Cole home. Bottom row: The Warner home and the Tewelde home. (Submitted photos)

Habitat affiliate to hold annual holiday home tour on Saturday

For the ninth consecutive year, Habitat for Humanity HiawathaLand is inviting everyone to spend a leisurely afternoon touring local homes decked out in their seasonal best. The local Habitat affiliate's popular holiday home tour will take place this Saturday, Dec. 1, from 2 to 6 p.m.
 The tours will begin at Zion Lutheran Church, 435 Oak St. in Manistique. Programs and directions will be available there. Participants can drive the tour route themselves or take bus rides provided by Schoolcraft County Public Transit.
 Seven sites are included on this year's tour, including the Woodland Meadows Assisted Living Center on Intake Park Road and six area homes.
 "The other tour sites include the Tewelde family home on Michi-

gan Avenue, the Conklin family's Habitat home on Fifth Street, Hovey's Bear Trap Resort on Maple Street at Indian Lake, the Cole family home on M-149 just before the Moose Lodge, the Fish family home on Little Harbor Road, and the Warner family home on Gierke Road.
 Tickets for the tour are \$10 each. They can be purchased at the church on the day of the event. Once again this year, buttons will be provided with ticket purchase. Those buttons must be worn by everyone taking part in the tour.
 Organizers say the annual home tour is one of their most successful, eager-y-awarded events, and generates critical funds for their homebuilding mission.
 Habitat for Humanity is a worldwide nonprofit organization that



builds houses for people in need, charging no interest and earning no profit.
 Families qualify for homes on the basis of need, income and their willingness to partner with Habitat. They must put in several hundred hours of "sweat equity," working on their house and other Habitat projects. The families then receive an interest-free mortgage

that is held by Habitat.
 Formed in the mid-1990s, the HiawathaLand affiliate is based in Manistique but expanded several years ago to also serve families in Luce and Alger counties.
 For more information about Habitat or the upcoming home tour, call the local office at 341-7437.



13-year-old Koltyn Hubble of Manistique was a lucky hunter early in the firearm season. Hubble bagged this eight-pointer on Sunday, Nov. 18. (Submitted photo)

DNR touts tribal agreement

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

Thirty years of litigation and discussion among five Michigan Native American tribes, the United States and the state of Michigan over hunting, fishing and gathering rights reserved by the tribes under the 1836 Treaty of Washington drew to a close this month with the signature of U.S. District Judge Richard Enslin.

Over the past two years, stepped-up negotiations produced a settlement in a federal court consent decree, defining what opportunities the tribes will have to hunt, fish and gather on some of Michigan's lands.

"The process was arduous at times, but the outcome is the best-case scenario for the parties involved and for Michigan's natural resources," says Jim Ekdahl, Upper Peninsula field deputy and lead tribal negotiator for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

There are eight principal treaties that were signed between the United States and various Indian tribes between 1807 and 1842 that affect what is now the state of Michigan. In fact, you cannot set foot in this state without trading on treaty land.

One of the treaties, which was signed in 1836, resulted in the sale of thousands of acres of Indian land, in what would become Michigan, to the United States. However, at the time the land was sold, under treaty provisions the tribes reserved certain hunting, fishing and gathering rights.

"All previous Supreme Court decisions have ruled that the passage of time cannot erode treaty rights," says Chris Dobyns, special assistant attorney general who was the DNR's lead counsel during the negotiations.

"Treaties with Indian tribes have been determined by the courts to be the supreme law of the land, so state governments and judges are bound by them."

That is why the state of Michigan chose, in part, not to try the 1836 Treaty rights case in court.

Two neighboring states, Wisconsin and Minnesota, both went to court, claiming the tribes had not retained hunting and fishing authority. Both states' cases failed, allowing expansive opportunities for tribes to hunt, fish and gather both for personal use and commercial sale.

"The risks of litigation appeared significant," Dobyns says. "The responsible and prudent course of action was to negotiate a settlement out of court in a manner that protected the interests of the citizens of Michigan and its residents, but also addressed the needs of the 1836 tribes in preserving their traditional subsistence activities."

The DNR maintains that the result was a fair and much more acceptable outcome for everyone. The tribes involved in the



After nearly two years of negotiations, state and federal government officials joined representatives from five Michigan tribes in Petoskey Oct. 25 to sign the agreement on inland hunting and fishing rights. Front row, from left: Jeff Parker, chair, Bay Mills Indian Community; Aaron Payment, chair, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians; Frank Elitawagoshik, chair, Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians; Rebecca Humphries, DNR director; Chuck Gross, assistant U.S. attorney; Robert Kewagoshkum, chair, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians; Larry Romagnoli, chief, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. Back row: Kathryn Tierney, attorney, Bay Mills Indian Community; Chad DePetro, attorney, Bay Mills; James Bransky, attorney, Grand Traverse Band; Aaron Schiehuber, attorney, Sault Tribe; Marie Shamraj, Michigan assistant attorney general; Chris Dobyns, Michigan special assistant attorney general; Bill Ratzelter, attorney, Grand Traverse Band; Marc Slonim, attorney, Little River Band; John Wernet, legal counsel from the governor's office. (DNR photo by David Kenyon)

1836 settlement are the Bay Mills Indian Community and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians in the U.P. and the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians in the Lower Peninsula.

The consent decree defines the extent of the treaty rights and establishes how, when and where the tribes will exercise those rights.

"The agreement recognizes the right of the tribes to practice traditional subsistence use of natural resources, or, in other words, to utilize natural resources in living off the land. In some cases, the tribes can spear and use small nets to catch fish — means of take which may not be available to state-licensed anglers. The tribes may have some ex-

Expanded seasons and bag limits as well.

The tribes can exercise their rights under the decree to hunt, fish and gather on tribal lands or state lands, and hunt and fish on lands enrolled under the Commercial Forest Act, if the CFA-enrolled tract is 1,000 acres or more in aggregate.

Sheltrown's legislation uses the Texas definition of sporting goods to include "an item of tangible personal property designed and sold for use in a sport or sporting activity, excluding apparel and footwear except that which is suitable only for use in a sport or sporting activity, and excluding board games, electronic games and similar devices, aircraft and powered vehicles, and replacement parts and accessories for any excluded item."

"The Legislature has increased state park and state forest campground fees just last year and hunting and fishing fees have increased three times in the past 10 years, yet the shortfalls keep getting worse," Sheltrown said. "In the same 10-year period, the number of Michigan deer hunters has fallen by 22 percent and we continue to lose another 3.5 percent with each passing year. Continuing fee increases provide a very short-term solution but a long-term disaster for conservation funding."

Sheltrown maintains that the restoration of state general fund support is the "responsible alternative" to fee increases. A decade ago, he noted, the DNR received 23 percent of its budget from the state's general fund, but today that amount is only nine percent.

"This continued double taxation of Michigan's sportsmen runs counter to our efforts to increase participation in outdoor activities," he said. "Dedication of a portion of sales tax revenue from sporting goods is a far more logical solution than more fee increases."

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Fish Report

By Ret. Sgt. John Walker

Well, I have to admit that in all the years I spent in the woods both working and hunting during deer season, this has to be the quietest on record. I would hate to say how many days I did not even hear so much as a single shot. Talking to other hunters they said it was that way, where they were hunting too. It will sure be interesting to see what the figures for this season will be.

The other thing that was apparent was those hunters that usually came up for a few days for the opening and later returned for Thanksgiving or later in the season did not come back for the second hunt this year.

I have always wondered how hard the DNR would be hit in license sales if all those hunters that purchase a deer license and go to camp but never go out hunting just purchase a license every year. You would be amazed how many hunters I know that fall into this category. There are camps where if someone gets a deer the whole camp is in shock. In fact I know of a few camps where if you shot a deer it could mean banishment from the camp. But still they have always purchased a deer license so they could go to deer camp.

In an article I read they were saying for every 100 hunters that drop out of the sport only about half of the younger generation come along to replace them. You do not have to be a rocket scientist to figure out that after a while we as sportsmen are in trouble. Not only in Michigan, but in other states that I have received articles from, the main cause seems to be the hunters have become fed up with some of the tactics of law enforcement.

Needless to say, if a hunter is out there doing something that will hurt the environment or cause damage to the wildlife population he knows if he gets caught there is a price to pay. But needless to say most of the law enforcement action taken in this day and age has nothing to do with either one. It seems there is this mentality that everyone out there must be doing something wrong and my job is to find something to write them a ticket for. My latest book has a chapter about this in it and I could tell you stories about some things that hap-

pened this deer season that would blow your mind.

Like I told one of the younger conservation officers, they (Lansing's Big house) cannot keep asking fewer and fewer hunters and fishermen to continue to pay all the bills to support the system. There is going to come a breaking point some day.

There were some nice bucks taken this year and for some reason it seems that 8-pointers were in. I heard of a number of people that scored with a nice 8-point buck. I guess the worst thing about not getting a buck is for those hunters that have a trail camera set up near their blinds to take pictures of the nice buck they are after. What makes it worse is the fact that even after the first 10 days of season the camera proves that nice buck is still in the area only never where our hunter is.

This falls under, "How much skill is really involved in getting a buck?" It seems there was this hunter that got tired of sitting in his blind so he decided to get something to eat and then take a walk down a ridge where he had put out some corn.

He got there and the corn was all cleared up so he spread out some more. He then walked back up the ridge to where he was going to sit, got set up and turned around and there were two yearlings eating his corn before he even got set down.

He then saw two more deer coming and all of a sudden all four of them panicked as 20 turkeys came hunting in to feast on his corn. He now had 20 turkeys, and four deer, when a doe and two fawns walked in. Just then a big doe stepped out of the woods and stopped to look down the trail our hunter had walked on.

He leaned forward and saw what she was looking at was a buck coming up the trail. He sat and waited until he had a good shot at the buck and took it. Then it seemed the whole world blew up as 20 turkey and 8-10 deer took off in every direction.

He later said it was one of the few times he wished he had had a video camera set up that was filming his corn when he shot his buck. He said there is no way you could ever explain in just what happened and how it looked.



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Obituaries



Doris A. Favreau

Doris A. Favreau of Frankfort, Mich., 72, died Friday, Nov. 23, 2007, at Munson Medical Center. She was born in Manistiquette, Mich., on Oct. 10, 1935, the daughter of Archibald and Mary Johnson. Doris married Donald J. Favreau in May 1957 and he preceded her in death in May of 2002. Doris was a social butterfly; she was always up for a good conversation with family and friends and a try with her luck at the casino. Doris owned the Fav Grill in Frankfort for 17 years. She is survived by her children, Mary L. (Cleis) Birmingham of Grand Haven, Mich., David R. Favreau of Frankfort, Sharon A. Meyers of Traverse City, Mich., and Nancy K. (Joe) Lloyd of Frankfort; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren and another one on its way; and many nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and a sister. A funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday, Nov. 28, at 11 a.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father Garh Hillmer officiating. Burial will be in Gilmore Township Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to St. Ann's Catholic Church. Jovett Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Service of Frankfort is assisting the family with arrangements.

Vickie L. Hawes

Vickie L. Hawes, 59, of Cooks, Mich., died Friday, Nov. 23, 2007, at Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility in Manistiquette. She was born Feb. 3, 1948, in Lapeer, Mich., the daughter of Burhl and Barbara (Walls) DeGarmo and graduated from the Milford High School in Milford, Mich. She moved to Cooks in 1972. Vickie was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church of Manistiquette. She was an avid reader and enjoyed listening to the Detroit Tiger baseball games on the radio. Survivors include: two daughters, Barbie Hawes of Pekin, Ill. and Mandy Hawes of Manistiquette; son, Shane Hawes of Manistiquette; four sisters, Carol (Jim) Wisner of Bath, Mich., Kathie Nichols of Owosso, Mich., Janet (Larry) Barnes of Pinnacle, N.C. and Laurie (Bill) Root of Otsego, Mich.; brother, Michael DeGarmo of St. Jacques, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews. Visitation will be from 1-2 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 29, at Bethel Baptist Church in Manistiquette. Funeral services will follow at 2 p.m., with Pastor Joseph Crowder officiating. Burial will be in the Inwood Township Cemetery at Cooks. Messier-Brouillere Funeral Home of Manistiquette is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Robert L. Tufnell

Robert L. Tufnell, 35, of Manistiquette, Mich., died unexpectedly on Sunday, Nov. 18, 2007, at the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital in Manistiquette. He was born Nov. 30, 1971, in Manistiquette. Robert was employed as a mechanic and has lived in Manistiquette, California and Wisconsin. He enjoyed the outdoors, fishing and hunting. Survivors include: his mother, Pamela (Dena), Jr. Aldrich of Manistiquette; son, Sean Michael Tufnell of Kenosha, Wis.; five sisters, Jean Knoph, Debra Rivard, Leona Leo, Lorraine Tufnell and Razy Tufnell; four brothers, Kenneth Tufnell, Bruce Tufnell, Christopher Tufnell and Dennis Goldi; and special friend, Addie Jo Bradley. He was preceded in death by his father, Rick A. Tufnell. At Robert's request, there will be no services. Messier-Brouillere Funeral Home of Manistiquette is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.



Robert A. Thorell

Life-time Manistiquette, Mich., resident. Robert A. Thorell, 80, died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2007, at his home. He was born May 30, 1927, in Manistiquette, the son of Clarence and Ina (Fox) Thorell and graduated from the Manistiquette High School. On June 26, 1947, he married the former Mary Ann Lemay in Manistiquette. Bob was employed at the Inland Lime and Stone Company in Gulliver for 43 years, retiring in 1989. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Manistiquette, a member of the Manistiquette Moose Lodge No. 1972, and was an active member of the Jaycee's. Bob took an active role in establishing the Limestone Federal Credit Union and was a charter member. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoyed snowmobiling and spending time at camp with his family and friends. Survivors include: his wife, Mary Ann of Manistiquette; son, Kevin Thorell of Manistiquette; two daughters, Barbara (Robert) Ryan and Julie (Charles) Baker of Manistiquette; daughter-in-law, Alice Thorell of Montrose, Mich.; 10 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; brother, Kenneth Thorell of Manistiquette; two sisters, Helen Johnson and Jacqueline (Maurice) Fagan of Manistiquette; aunt, Ella Carley of Cooks, Mich.; along with several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Daniel; and granddaughter, Christine. Visitation was 4-8 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 27, at Messier-Brouillere Funeral Home in Manistiquette and from 10-11 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 28, at First Baptist Church in Manistiquette. Funeral services were held at the church at 11 a.m. with Reverend Jay Martin officiating. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistiquette. A luncheon followed the burial at the church. Memorials may be directed to the First Baptist Church, 319 Walnut St., Manistiquette, MI 49854. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Tree dedication planned

Linda and Archie Gleason will be performing and leading Christmas carols at the annual dedication and lighting ceremony for the Love Lite Tree. The public is invited to attend the event, set for next Monday, Dec. 3, at 6:30 p.m., on the front lawn of Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital. The Love Lite Tree is a long-running project that raises money for the SMH Auxiliary and Schoolcraft CARE Search and Rescue. For \$3 each, people can purchase lights for the tree to remember a deceased loved one, pay tribute to someone who is still living or honor a member of the military. The search and rescue organization uses its share of the proceeds to help offset the cost of emergency operations, equipment, training and other expenses. The SMH Auxiliary earmarks its Love Lite Tree proceeds for its many projects, which include funding medical scholarships and helping to purchase hospital equipment. In addition to the music of the Gleasons, the dedication ceremony will include refreshments - cookies, coffee and cocoa - served after the ceremony in the hospital lobby. Red Ribbons will be available for those who purchased a bulb and want to add the honoree's name. Love Lite Tree donation forms are available at the hospital, the Manistiquette Senior Citizens Center, Hardees, the Upper Crust, Emerald City Espresso, Pamida, Putvin's and mBank. A form will also be included in the Advisor next week. All A recipients in the eighth grade were Emily Aldrich, Ryan Brown, Sarah Casey, Amanda Laramie, Nicole Lawrence, Shayna Morrison, Adam Nagy, Michael Nagy, Shaelyn Saffer, Jessi Zellner and Kara Ziminski. Honorees will have their names included on this year's list, which will be displayed on the Love Lite Tree plaque in the hospital lobby.

MAS announces honor roll

Manistiquette Area Schools has released the honor roll for the first marking period of the 2007-2008 school year. Receiving all A's in the sixth grade were Sarah Chandler and Corban Ryan. Students receiving a 3.5 or better were Breanna Bosanic, Taylor Edwards and Morgan Kangas. Additional sixth grade honor students were Robert Ayotte, Joseph Block, Jenna Bosonic, Clarence Brock, Haleigh Chagnon, Ashlee Downard, Abby Edwards, Logan Haynie, Robert Jenerou, Tyler Kangas, Mercedes Lennox, Elisabeth MacGregor, Megan Martin, Joseph Parkkila, Amanda Pokkala, Genna Rice, Mandy Swayer, Stephanie Watts, Theresa Weber and Jacob Zellar. Seventh grade students achieving all A's were Hunter Ashby, Kameron Brouillette, Hannah Bryant, Jared Edlund, Melinda Hohlak, Benjamin Hohlak, Gabrielle LaFayette, Zachary Lindemuth, Carolyn Mooi, Trevor Thill, Kristopher Zellner and Stephanie Zellar. Students with a 3.5 or better were Chanel Bosanic, Lily Boudreau, Alberta Chas, Monica Kiles, Kelsey Gonyea, Matthew Gonzalez, Morgan Hylant, Brianna Johnson, Zachary Lambert, Bryson Lawrence, Amanda Miller, DJ Peterson, Samantha Stoll, Kali Wilson, Kaitlyn Ziminski and Heather Zimmerman. Completing the seventh grade honor roll are Joseph Blanchard III, Tanner Danz, Cheyanne Dunlap, Stephanie Gasco, Cassi Goglin, Kolyan Hubble, Hope Jager, Adam LaVarca, James Lennox, Jenni Moran, Maxwell Nelson, Kyle Page, Timothy Reid, Harley Troxler, Jasmine Volk, Niki Walters and Clayton Weigel. All A recipients in the eighth grade were Emily Aldrich, Ryan Brown, Sarah Casey, Amanda Laramie, Nicole Lawrence, Shayna Morrison, Adam Nagy, Michael Nagy, Shaelyn Saffer, Jessi Zellner and Kara Ziminski. Receiving a 3.5 or better were Kyle Brauer, Kyle Demers, Haley Garvin, Eric Hepker, Kelly Jenerou, Nicholas LaVera, Erika LaFolice, Sara Lennert, Taylor Lockwood, Haley Norton, Nathan Rahn, Brent Savage, Cory Tallman, Cory Tuttle, Hannah Vallier, Rebecca Videtich and Tanner York. Students in the eighth grade with a 3.0 or better were Timothy Adams, Noah Bauer, Kayla Bosen, Kylie Bowers, Caroline Brazda, Nicholas Burns, Ryan Clifton, Ryan Gardapee, Michael Guilmette, Tyler Hase, Ashley Johnson, McKenzie Mickelson, Cody Musselman, Cory Popore, John Rahn III, Marissa Rosebush, Taylor Rutherford, Samantha Schuetter, Miranda Sievert, Brooke Spencer, Andrew Sundling, Jacob Syers, Kyle Tiglas, Ashley Vaughn, Andrew Weber and Emily Wilson. Achieving all A's in the ninth grade were Bethany Beaudre, Kristina Flynn, Vanessa Himes, Carrie Kangas, Cassandra Katchinski, Molly Michaels, Anna Mohl, Gabrielle Peters, Isaac Pohlan, Natalie Pohlan, Kelsey VanAmberg and Millicent Weber. Ninth grade students with a 3.5 or better were John Barker III, Zachary Lang, Allison Laramie, Nichole Tenuta, Nathan Hayes, Casey Hook, Tyler Turan, April Hickey, William Jenerou, Ashley Tuttle, Michael Hueter, Stacey Heintz, Kaitlyn Kisten, Molly Andersen, Cody Kayser and Jessica Dibble. Additional ninth grade honor students were Chantal Albright, Emily Blount, Tyler Bolm, Hali Carlson, Noah Clock, Teighlor Hohlak, Gabrielle Kieffer, Jacey Kleeman, Kallie LaBar, Joseph Lafayette, Matthew Lee, Rachelle Marks, Timothy Marks, Valerie McNamara, Felicia Reid, Natasha Roesdahl, Kelly Rummell, Kyle Smith, Scott St. John, Whitney Swanson, Nicholas Takala, Jaden Uter, Shannon Wohelert and Sarah Young. Finishing the first marking period in the tenth grade with all A's were Trevor Birr, Christine Kemper, Bailee Lawrence, Anthony Lee, Spencer Lindemuth, Melanie Neddow, Danielle Reid and Zachary Weber. Students with a 3.5 or better were Alex Burns, Alisa Case, Kyle Erickson, Cassandra Haley, Marcy Hohlak, Nicole Johnson, Brittany Kipp, Michael Latterman, Thomas Mer-

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Miller set for Today Show

Jim Miller, author of the "Savvy Senior" column that appears in the Pioneer-Tribune and more than 300 other newspapers around the country, is slated to make his latest appearance on NBC's Today show in December. Miller, a contributor to the national morning news program, is scheduled to appear Thursday, Dec. 13, discussing holiday gift and gadget ideas for senior citizens. Today show schedules are always subject to change. For up to date information on Miller's appearance, visit the Savvy Senior Web site at www.savvysenior.org or go to www.todayshow.com.

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Manistiquette native Joseph Van Dyck (right) accepts congratulations from Gen. David Petraeus, commander of multinational forces in Iraq, upon his reenlistment last summer. Staff Sgt. Van Dyck is an intelligence noncommissioned officer with the 7th Brigade, 2nd Iraqi National Police Division Transition Team and a member of the 10th Division Institutional Training in the U.S. Army Reserves. He moved to Statesville, N.C. from Manistiquette in 2005, following a four-year enlistment with the 82nd Airborne Division. His reenlistment ceremony took place at Forward Operating Base Falcon in southern Baghdad. Van Dyck previously worked for Petraeus as a support trainer to the Iraqi Army during Operation Iraqi Freedom III-V in the Nineveh province in northern Iraq. (Army Public Affairs photo)

LMAS promotes kicking the habit

Editor's note: This article was supplied by the LMAS District Health Department as part of the ongoing campaign called "2007: Michigan's Year of Public Health."

The LMAS District Health Department recognizes November as "Kick Butts Month." During this month, health officials are encouraging local community members to live a tobacco-free life and reduce their risk of the leading causes of preventable deaths in Michigan.

In 1982, the United States Surgeon General's Report on the Health Consequences of Smoking stated that "Cigarette smoking is the major single cause of cancer mortality in the United States." Today, smoking is responsible for nearly one in five deaths in the United States. In Michigan, cigarette smoking and second-hand smoke are the two leading causes of preventable deaths. Because smoking is an activity that an individual chooses to do, smoking is the most preventable cause of premature death in our society.

According to the 2005 Michigan Behavioral Risk Factor Survey, about 21.9 percent of adults in Michigan are current smokers. Smoking kills more people each year than alcohol, AIDS, car crashes, illegal drugs, murders, and suicides combined.

Cancer
Cigarette smoking accounts

for at least 30 percent of all cancer deaths. It is a major cause of cancers of the lung, larynx (voice box), oral cavity, throat, esophagus, and bladder, and a contributing cause in the development of cancers of the pancreas, cervix, kidney, stomach, and also some leukemias. Smoking causes about 87 percent of lung cancer deaths. Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths among both men and women, and is one of the most difficult cancers to treat.

Other Health Problems
Smoking is the major cause of heart disease, aneurysms, bronchitis, emphysema and stroke, and it contributes to the severity of pneumonia and asthma. Smoking can also be associated with reduced fertility and a higher risk of miscarriage, early delivery (prematurity), stillbirth, infant death, and is a cause of low birth weight in infants. It can also be linked to sudden infant death syndrome.

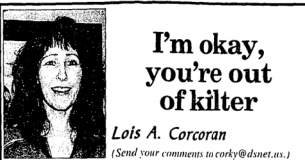
Secondhand Smoke
The smoke from cigarettes (called secondhand smoke or environmental tobacco smoke) has a harmful health effect on those exposed to it. Secondhand smoke is as dangerous as smoking, especially if a person is exposed on a daily basis. When nonsmokers are exposed to secondhand smoke, it is called involuntary smoking or passive smoking. Nonsmokers exposed to secondhand smoke

absorb nicotine and other compounds just as smokers do. The greater the exposure to secondhand smoke, the greater the level of these harmful compounds in the body.

Throughout the year, the LMAS District Health Department works to reduce the number of smokers and the exposure of secondhand smoke by offering smoking cessation counseling, participating in coalitions, celebrating national observances like the "Great American Smokeout," and working with communities on smoke-free policies.

"LMAS is always working to guard and protect against threats and illness caused by exposure to cigarette smoke, because saving lives saves dollars," said LMAS District Health Department Prevention Specialist Melanie MacDowell.

LMAS is committed to promoting wellness, preventing disease, providing health care, and protecting the environment. For additional information, contact your local health department office or visit www.lmasdhd.org



I'm okay, you're out of kilter

Lois A. Corcoran

(Send your comments to corky@dsnet.as.)

Quick! Which four-letter word functions as any part of speech?

No, not THAT one. This is a family newspaper, okay?

But therein lies the answer. The word "okay" wears a group of grammatical hats and can be used for darn near any occasion.

Parents of young children voice it when their kid falls, gets hit, or is otherwise likely to wail. Before he has time to react, they call out, "You're okay!" Though, in fact, he may wind up in traction.

"Okay" can also soften a direct order or take the edge off otherwise harsh statements. I use it quite a bit with my family, as in, "Knock it off, okay?"

Or it can be used and abused, stretching out a story ad nauseum. ("So I went to this party, okay. And I see this guy, okay. And he tells me this joke, okay.")

You will notice I use the preferred spelling in the above examples. But some people write "okey" while others prefer the initials "OK."

Some even throw in periods as though it stands for something — like maybe that well-known self-help book meant "I'm O.K., You're Out of Kilter."

If you expand on the word, it

becomes "A-okay," which apparently is even BETTER than okay.

According to The New Dictionary of American Slang, okay can also mean "good or excellent," as in "Hey, Dude, you're okay!"

I assume that's why the license plates down south read "Oklahoma is Okay." Still, as a tourism motto, it doesn't hold much of a draw — Because "okay" can also mean "acceptable but not all that good." Which brings me to the point of this okay column.

One of my e-books (Jest Between You and Me) sold a few hundred copies to date. Of that number, only one reader saw fit to rate it and the anonymous critic was less than flattering.

I'm licking my wounds over his or her verdict, which looms on the site like a lighthouse, warning readers to steer clear. And he or she achieves this with that single, seemingly innocent word: okay.

If it meant "good or excellent" as noted above, I'd be well — okay with that. But he or she chose from "great," "good," "okay," and "poor."

So in that context, "okay" means second-rate. Kind of like that OTHER four-letter word.



Richardson Jewelers, of Escanaba, with the help of Peoples Store in Manistiquette, has launched a new holiday fund-raiser to emphasize the giving spirit of the season and support worthy causes in the communities they serve. The new "Giving Tree" was unveiled at the Peoples Store on Friday, Nov. 23, adorned with 100 plus gold Richardson boxes (with the burgundy bows, of course). Customers may purchase a box from the Giving Tree for \$15 and are guaranteed to receive a gift with a minimum value of \$15. The tree is stocked with \$25, \$50 and \$100 gift certificates, assorted gemstones, a variety of jewelry items and one grand prize of a \$300 Richardson Jeweler gift certificate. The fund-raiser will run through Dec. 24, and all proceeds from the Manistiquette location will be donated to the Schoolcraft County Community Foundation. "We're very excited about this promotion and we think the response is going to be great," said Jeff Richardson. "It's a wonderful way for us to do something meaningful for our communities while offering something fun and different for holiday shoppers." Pictured are Jeff and Peg Richardson decorating their Giving Tree in Escanaba. (Submitted photo)

Zion festival is Sunday

Final preparations are being made for this weekend's annual Sankta Lucia Festival and Advent program. The public is invited to attend the celebration, which takes place at Zion Lutheran Church this Sunday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m.

The church's Ruth Circle has arranged the program. The Joy Circle is in charge of decorations. The welcome will be given by Karen Klaus, WELCA president.

A senior girl from the church is chosen to portray the role of Sankta Lucia. She wears a white satin robe tied with a crimson sash and a wreath of leaves, lilyberries and lighted candles on her

head.

Accompanied by her attendants, two girls and two boys wearing red robes, she will enter to the song "Sankta Lucia," sung by women of the choir accompanied by Lynn Hueter on the piano. The legend of Lucia will be read by Lois Bellville.

The Advent program, "We Light Our Way to Christmas," will follow. Participants will include Sheri Krause, Beth Malloch, Julie Gauthier, Sheila

Clark and Liz Macklem. During the offering, Holly Hueter will play a musical selection on the flute accompanied by Lynn Hueter.

Following the program, refreshments will be served in the Augustana Hall. Hostesses will be Linda Mason, Lila Panek, Ruth Jones, Marjean Swanson, Kaye Jarski and Lois Bellville.

Zion Lutheran Church is located at 435 Oak Street in Manistiquette.

Hampton inducted

On Oct. 29, Kimberly Amanda Hampton of Manistiquette was inducted into the Alpha Xi Delta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Bay De Noc Community College.

Established in 1918, Phi Theta Kappa is an international honor society that serves two-year colleges. The society is recognized by the American Association of Community Colleges as the official honor society for two-year colleges and holds membership in the Association of College Honor Societies.

The purpose of Phi Theta Kappa is to recognize and encourage academic achievement and provide opportunities for individual growth and development through honors, leadership and service programs.

To be eligible for membership, students must rank in the

top 20 percent of their classes and maintain high academic standing throughout their enrollment.

Hampton is a business major at Bay College. She is the daughter of Kirk and Tammy Vincent of Manistiquette and is married to Michael Hampton of Manistiquette.

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Shown Wed-Thu 7pm

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RATED PG-13 Running time: 113 minutes

In the age of heroes comes the mightiest warrior of them all, Beowulf. After destroying the overpowering demon Grendel, he secures the undying wrath of the beast's ruthlessly seductive mother, who will use any means possible to ensure revenge. The ensuing epic battle resonates throughout the ages, immortalizing the name of Beowulf.

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Senior Center

Wow! What do you think the Center made from the craft and bake sale that was recently held at the Center? No it wasn't \$200, no it wasn't \$300, it was a whopping \$868.94. Once again, we sincerely wish to thank those wonderful volunteers that put so much work into this event.

Are you looking for a special gift for a friend or family member? The Center will be holding a Books are Fun sale on Thursday, Dec. 6 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Those attending will be put into a special drawing for a fleece throw. What better way to shop than to support your local Senior Center, which gets 15 percent of all sales?

December is going to be an exciting food pantry due to a young girl once again pitching in her Christmas present money, we will be getting extra items. Because of this we will be holding the pantry at the Presbyterian Church. This will be for the month of December, only!

Who all made this possible? Get your thank you cards out and show them how much we appreciate their kindness. We have provided thousands of pounds to those ages 60 plus for close to two years, allowing them to purchase other necessities with their limited incomes.

Let's start with how it all came about. Cathleen Warner, whom was raised in the area, gets the credit of doing all the paperwork-requesting funding. Her address is Cathleen and Kenneth Warner, 300 W. Hopkins, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.

With her living out of town, her faithful parents have worked behind the scenes doing all the necessary. Their addresses are John and Mary Lou Arnold, 76655 Rivers Bend Drive, Manistique, MI 49854-8306.

And most important the wonderful grantee that opened up their funds for all of our participants is Bernard J. and Camille L. Cebelak Foundation, c/o Mr. Joseph M. Sweeney, 11931 Timberlane Drive, Stanwood, MI 49346.

The smiles on faces of those participants are more than rewarding. The Cebelak Foundation has allowed us to share approximately 57,000 lbs.

Because of this, I once again want to encourage you to send them a thank you or a quick note. Who knows, maybe the angels that worked so hard to make this possible, might pass their work on to others.

We once again need your help! My last column, I shared the name of the three soldiers that are in Afghanistan, that hadn't received mail. The turnout has been more than expected. Due to this, we are asking for help in mailing the boxes. To mail one box it costs \$8, no matter what the weight is. Judy McEachern was generous enough to pay the shipping for the first three boxes and the Center has paid for three. We are looking at

mailing at least another six boxes, as of now, with what we have received. If you are able to help us out, the Center's hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The address is Manistique Senior Center, 101 Main Street, Manistique, MI 49854-1219.

The Center will be closed on the following dates due to the holidays: Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 24 and 25, along with Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. With November almost half over, it is time to start thinking of our Annual Christmas Party. Tickets are available for \$9 per person. Once again, the doors will open at 4 p.m. for our social hour. It's your chance to chat with friends while having a few snacks. Dinner will be served at approximately 5 p.m. Dinner will consist of glazed ham, oven roasted turkey, sausage stuffing, red mashed potatoes with turkey gravy, cranberry relish, along with a veggie and pickle tray and homemade dinner rolls with butter. Dessert is your choice of a Christmas roll or cherry cheesecake.

We have invited Unspeakeable Joy from Pembine, Wis. as our entertainment. Unspeakeable Joy is a group of four talented young musicians - Courtney Schroeder, will be on the mandolin, Cassie Schroeder, will be playing the banjo and Sylvia Ensminger will be on the fiddle. The newest addition is Lawrence Ensminger. Their ages range from 14 to 18 years old.

It will be a performance filled with rousing instrumental numbers, toe-tapping gospel tunes and traditional Christmas favorites.

Do you believe in Santa? I do. The Center will be providing complimentary pictures with Santa for those that want to participate. Tom Kaltz will escort Santa, so you can rest assured that he will arrive safely.

You will also have your choice of whether you want to be included in the gift exchange or not. If you plan on participating, we are asking that the ladies buy a gift for a lady and the men buy a male gift. Gifts are to range in the area of \$5, must be wrapped and have a tag listing who it came from. This allows everyone the chance to pass his or her thanks along.

We will be accepting donations of appetizers for our social hour. Let's make this a night to remember!

Oops! I forgot to tell you the date. The party will be on Friday, Dec. 21. Due to having to prepare and decorate for the party, the Center will be closing its doors directly after the Noon Meal and will not open until 4 p.m. sharp.

We sincerely wish to thank the Jack'Reque Alternative Ed class for taking on the task of carry boxes of food to cars at our monthly food distribution, along with our many other volunteers that help unpack, set up and clean up every month. Those that have volun-

By Connie Frenette

teered their time at the distribution include: Deanna Fish, Kay Wells, Mary LaFleur, Lillian Hoerz, Gay Mattson, Ray Nelson, Jean Anthony and Joan Floyd.

Maureen Cole, Wes Turan, Donna Walker, Jasmine Baker, Robert Smith, James Hill, Angie Gwaltney, Jessica Casteel, Michelle Lindblad, Mark Hursh, Steve Overland and Mike Steiner, Michelle Seymour, Dustin Lee, Matt Salter, Lyle Shinnaberry, Nick Smith, Lomnie Rife, James Hill, Cody Schauer, Cheryl Lockhart and Mike Gray and his community service workers.

Another fantastic volunteer is Dave Blank. Dave is the sole handler of seeing to it that all of our recycling makes it to the paper mill. Actually, half of what he saved himself for us. Thanks, Dave for all your hard work.

Once again, just a reminder to separate the shiny and non-shiny materials. Also, we ask that you fill brown grocery bags one half full. This saves Dave a lot of time sorting and makes them easier to carry. Those that donate are appreciated more than you will ever know.

Gary Swayer is our angel that will bring the sky. Gary gave a monetary donation that will allow us to send six more packages to our military. Thanks, Gary. We will still be accepting monetary donations for postage as we have approximately enough donations to fill four boxes.

A donation of Christmas decorations was received from Jean Anthony and Lauris Barr gave greeting cards.

Estelle Gilewski made a maintenance and support donation.

BRIDGE Nov. 19: 1st-Audrey Savoy, 2nd-Bibi Duquette, 3rd-Doris Norman, 4th-Cleo Katchon, 5th-Jane Leonard, CFC-Harriet, CFC-George Lowman served, chocolate decadent brownies, ham rolls-ups and peanuts.

BRIDGE Nov. 26: 1st-Ann Willcock, 2nd-Lauris Barr, 3rd-Larry Savoie, 4th-Joyce LaTulip, 5th-Charlotte Dragos, CFC-George Fough. Hostess Bibi Duquette served chocolate cherry cake, ice cream, snack mix and Twix Bars.

PINOCHLE Nov. 21: 1st-Cathy Wise, 2nd-Audrey Newborn, 3rd-Marie Sellman, 4th-Carl Sundling.

Birthday's this week: Dec. 1-Pauline Miller; Dec. 5-Tony McKenzie and Francis Charrier; and Dec. 6-Richard Gould.



Quick and Easy MAPLE ALMOND BARS

- Yield: 2 to 3 dozen bars
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Topping
1/2 cup butter
3/4 cup pure maple syrup
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/4 cup honey
1/4 cup heavy cream
2 cups chopped almonds
1 tsp pure vanilla extract

Lightly grease 10- by 15-inch jellyroll pan and set aside. Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Cream butter and sugar in large bowl. When light, beat in egg. Add flour, about 1/2 cup at a time, working it in with wooden spoon. Divide dough into four pieces and put one piece in each quadrant of jellyroll pan.

Push dough into pan with floured hands, forming a seamless crust. Keep it even as possible and work it up sides to top of rim. Cover with plastic and chill 15 minutes. Pook dough 3 or 4 times with fork, then bake 15 minutes. Cool on wire rack: Mix a tiny amount of flour and water together to make thick paste and rub a little into fork holes to close them up.

After crust has cooled about 20 minutes, melt butter in large saucepan. Add maple syrup, brown sugar and honey, bring to a boil. When it boils, add cream and bring back to a boil. 20 minutes. Quickly remove from heat and stir in almonds and vanilla. Pour evenly over crust and bake 20 minutes. It will bubble and darken somewhat. Cool thoroughly on wire rack, cut into bars.

Recipe courtesy of B & G Foods / Maple Grove Farms of Vermont and Family Features



The members of Daisy Troop 225 recently earned their 'Considerate and Caring' petals by helping a local family in need. The group brightened the holidays for the family by putting together a basket containing food for a Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings, lending a hand was the St. Vincent de Paul Society, which delivered the basket to its destination. Above from left: Co-Leader Karen All, Regan Sall, Brooke Barton, Jeanni Chartier, Leader Jamie Chartier. Not pictured: Madison Schwartz. (Submitted photo)

Monthly party celebrates birthdays, honors veterans

The Nov. 14 party at the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility celebrated four birthdays and paid tribute to 14 veterans who are residents of the facility. The dining room was decorated in a red, white and blue theme with flags.

Honored for their military service were MCF residents Ron Adkins, Lawrence Boyd, Robert Deiter, Fred Gunders, Harry Hastings, Leland Kelly, Stephen Monroe, Harry Osterhout, George Rasmussen, Leonard Rice, William Swanson, Howard Tennyson, William Tennyson and John White. Celebrating their November

birthdays were George Rasmussen, Martha Hanson, Nina Nigh and Alex Busch. Entertainment was provided by the Mulholland Band. As always, volunteers from the sponsoring GFWC Manistique Women's Club were on hand to help with the festivities, serve Rita Rossier's cakes with coffee, and deliver birthday cards and handmade lap robes.

This month's volunteers were Dorothy Hohobik, Ruth Jackson, Jeanne Gundersen, Jean Melching, Carol Carlson, Betty Sling, Esther Czarnik, Betty Harding, Dora Toennesen, Fritzy Nelson, Eleanor Broutiere, Irene Hinkson and Phyllis Toya. The next party is scheduled for Dec. 12, with a Christmas theme and a visit from none other than Santa Claus.

'Christmas from the Past' at Seul Choix

The Gulliver Historical Society will host its annual "Christmas from the Past" Saturday, Dec. 1, and Sunday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Seul Choix Point Light-house.

Highlights will include tours of the museum, the opportunity to climb the 78-foot tall lighthouse tower, and the chance to see the site decked out for the holidays, looking much as it did during Christmas seasons long ago. Costumed interpreters will be on hand to add some historical flavor to their own.

Refreshments will be available and the gift shop will be open both days, with a 25-percent off sale on a wide variety of local, regional, Great Lakes, lighthouse and nautical items for Christmas shoppers.

The annual holiday events at the lighthouse also provide a good chance for children to meet with Santa Claus and

Upcoming M-TEC class will teach senior citizens how to use Word program

The Michigan Technical Education Center at Bay de Noc Community College has announced an upcoming class for senior citizens who want to learn the basics of word processing using Microsoft Word.

The class is designed for the older adult learner who has little or no experience with word-processing software. It will also benefit those who use Microsoft Works but are unfamiliar with the Word program.

During the two-part, six-hour workshop, participants will learn the difference be-

tween word wrap and hard returns, line spacing, margins, working with fonts and color, alignment, bullets and numbering, and the copy and paste function. Organizers say the workshop will be a basic hands-on class that will allow participants to practice what they have learned.

Classes will be held in Escanaba on two consecutive Fridays, Dec. 7 and 14. The fee is \$39. To register or learn more, call (906) 789-6902, ext 1227. The deadline is next Monday, Dec. 3.

Rapid River Congregational Church presents O' Little Town of Bethlehem Saturday, Dec. 1 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Traditional Christmas Dinner Prices... Adults: \$7.50 - Children 6-12: \$3 - 5 and under: Free

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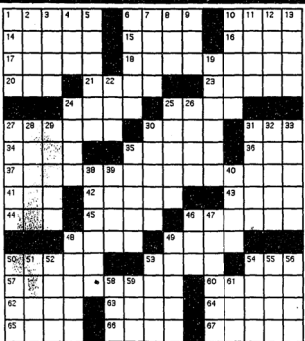
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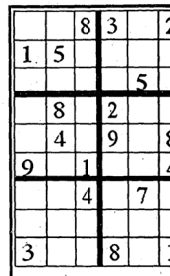
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not set guidelines that might be viewed as establishing or supporting any particular religious belief. He noted that the city could also develop certain rules governing the location, size and duration of displays or "side-step the issue completely" by stating that no private displays of any type would be allowed on city property.

Council also reviewed a letter from Adam Gandolfi, regional risk manager for Maniquest Underwriters of Michigan Inc. (MUM), the city's insurance carrier. Gandolfi said allowing a Nativity scene on city property would be "opening up a can of worms."

"There are groups out there just looking for cases like this to go after," he wrote. "They make money suing governmental entities over cases of possible constitutional infringement."

Of particular concern to some of the council was Gandolfi's answer to a question posed by City Manager Sheila Aldrich. Aldrich asked if MUM would cover the city's costs if they were sued over the display.

"If it is a violation of Church and State there is a good chance the city's insurance would cover it," he said.

would not be able to provide coverage," Gandolfi wrote. Aldrich said she received the same answer in a phone conversation.

"I asked if they would cover it, and he said no," she told council. Council's discussion began with a motion from Hoag to allow the Nativity display.

Evonich added a requirement that it include a professionally-made sign stating who was sponsoring the exhibit. Filoramo said that wording would "invade a lawsuit."

"If you open it up, you have to open it up to everybody," he said. "You can set a time limit, but to just say you can have a Nativity scene, and then the next group comes in and you say no, that's going to cause a problem."

Hoag then amended his motion to state that the Nativity scene would be allowed, with a sign, and anyone else wanting to display something on city property could come to council for a decision.

Rantanen noted that if they couldn't require other groups to appear before council but rather had to allow "everything," Hoag's motion died without a second.

Evonich made the next attempt, moving to "allow anyone to put up anything on city property, no restrictions of any type."

He then added several stipulations, saying that displays

should be confined to a five-foot square area, include a professionally-made sign, and stay in place no longer than 30 days.

Jeffcott added a statement that the city "neither endorses or opposes" the displays. After Hoag seconded the motion, the real discussion began.

Rantanen said she supported the idea of a Nativity scene but was worried about allowing "any controversial thing" to be displayed in Triangle Park.

As an example, she pointed to a 2004 demonstration by the group Missionaries to the Poor, which stopped in Manistiquette for a brief time and marched along the streets displaying graphic photographs of aborted fetuses.

"Do you want that in the park?" Rantanen asked. "Once you let one do it, you can't let another one."

Evonich also expressed concern over "the things people can put up." He asked how the local church group would feel if a Wiccan (pagan) church put their symbols next to the Nativity display.

"That's the scary thing," Rantanen said. "We could be opening up to some real offensive things."

Jeffcott agreed, asking what would happen if the white-supremacist group Church of the Creator came to town and put up swastikas in the park.

Hoag said he couldn't worry about outside organizations. "I live in Manistiquette," he said. "I represent the people of Manistiquette, and I think this is what they want."

"Will the people support us when we have a lawsuit costing us thousands of dollars?" Rantanen asked. "We know the lawsuits are out there. They're looking for something like this. Do we open the city up to that?"

Peterson said there was no need to subject the city to that liability. "I'm all for the Nativity scene, but I think there are plenty of places for these things," he said. "They can go on church property or private property. We don't have to open the city up to this risk."

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Jones. "It's constitutional to put the Nativity in the same field of view."

"I'm also concerned about Santa's workshop, my family and I are concerned," Beth Hopp said. "I appreciate your comments, but let's not run away scared."

Penny Carlson asked why the city council supported "a belief in Santa" but not endorse a Christian exhibit.

Filoramo said the courts have distinguished between a Nativity and a Santa display, deeming one to be religious, the other secular.

In response to comments that "the majority of Christians in this town" would want the display, Filoramo said that wasn't the issue.

"It has nothing to do with what everyone wants," he said. "It's a constitutional separation of church and state. We can't establish or favor one religion over another. We're a small town, and probably 99 percent of the community agrees, but the courts are neutral."

In other business Monday ... a conducted a regular budget status review, with Aldrich taking council through the budgets for the various city departments and projects. All in all, she said, department heads and employees are doing a good job of controlling expenses. For the general fund, expenses are at 33.32 percent, exactly where they should be one-third of the way into the fiscal year.

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Feb. 1 deadline for next round of art minigrants

The Central Upper Peninsula Planning and Development (CUPPAD) Regional Commission is reminding people that the deadline for the next round of arts minigrant applications is Feb. 1.

The grants will be for projects that begin after April 1, 2008, and are completed by Sept. 30, 2007. The maximum grant award will be \$4,000. Funding is available on a competitive basis for schools, libraries, local units of government and nonprofit organizations.

The grant funds come from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs. CUPPAD serves as the regional reviewing agency for the program.

For more information, or to obtain an application packet, write to: CUPPAD, 2415 14th Ave. South, Escanaba, MI 49829, call (800) 562-9828, or go to the agency's Web site at www.cuppad.org.

Minigrant funds cannot be used for fund-raisers, capital improvements or activities that produce an academic grade or are part of a school curriculum. A local art review committee, with members from Schoolcraft, Alger, Delta, Dickinson, Marquette and Menominee counties, is responsible for evaluating all grant proposals. The panel's recommendations are then approved by CUPPAD's executive committee.

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County and hospital debate trustee appointment process

by Paul Olson

It's been a period of contention several times in the past. Now Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital and the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners are once again at odds over appointments to the hospital board.

At their Nov. 20 meeting, county commissioners voted not to accept three names submitted for appointment by hospital Chief Executive Officer Fred Makowski but to instead follow a written opinion from Prosecutor Peter Hollenbeck requiring a list of nine names — three candidates for each of three vacancies.

Makowski submitted the names of three current trustees — Pat Rodman, Mary Prater and Eberhard Mammen — all of whom are serving in seats that expired this year.

"I'm very, very dissatisfied with these three names," Commissioner Louis Lauzon said. "We have an opinion from the prosecutor and you should follow it. You give us three names for three positions, but we need nine names."

Makowski said they were unable to come up with nine candidates at this time. After advertising for board members and holding several meetings, they had succeeded in getting only six names — the three current trustees and three prospective members.

"Getting nine is almost an impossibility," he said. "What we're asking is that you fill one seat tonight. Give us one now, and then we can come back later with three more names."

Lauzon asked why SMH didn't submit all the names it had received. He cited at least two other

candidates — Nancy Irie and Kathy Tenynson — who had submitted letters.

According to Makowski, the hospital board had discretion to submit only the candidates "who they think fit in." That definition applied to just two of the other three applicants, he said.

"If we'd come to you with just two other names, you would have told us we needed three," he said. "If I brought all six names, you would have said we needed nine."

Makowski asked again that commissioners fill one trustee seat immediately and give them time to return with additional names for the remaining two seats.

"This is a slow process," he told the board. "We can't get nine names. That's why we're asking you to do it one seat at a time, three names at a time."

Lauzon rejected that idea. "If we appoint one tonight, you'll just come back with these other two names and one more," he said. "You're playing games with me, aren't you? It's a game, and I'm not playing it."

After additional discussion, the board voted 4-0, with Commissioner Gerald Zellar absent, not to accept the initial three names.

Lauzon agreed to meet with Makowski, review Hollenbeck's opinion on the appointment process, and determine a course of action.

"We've got to take care of this, and if you won't do it, we will," Lauzon said.

Makowski suggested several potential meeting dates last week. But as of Tuesday this week, he said the session had still not been scheduled.

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Tribal hunting and fishing is not allowed on private property, with the exception of these larger CFA lands, much like state-licensed hunters.

The tribes also will not be able to hunt and fish outside of state seasons on CFA lands under 1,000 acres unless they get permission from the landowner, or to hunt or fish on private land without owner permission.

But can the resources be sustained under the additional pressure? DNR Wildlife and Fisheries officials believe so, citing harvestable surpluses in both game and fish that exist in the area covered by the 1836 Treaty.

The consent decree covers harvest of white-tailed deer, black bear, elk, wild turkey, migratory birds and several species of fish.

The number of tribal members who hunt or fish is very small relative to the general population of Michigan. Most of those tribal members who desire to hunt have been doing so all along with state-issued licenses, DNR officials note.

Moreover, there are enough harvestable surpluses in our game species populations to

allow for the reasonable level of additional harvest for subsistence purposes.

The same is true for ensuring the sustainability of Michigan's abundant fisheries resources.

Kelley Smith, chief of the DNR's Fisheries Division, says that, with good science and planning, the fisheries resources should not be harmed.

"For example, we know that if a lake loses more than 35 percent of a walleye population via harvest, that population will be less likely to be able to sustain itself," Smith says. "No lakes in the treaty area are expected to experience fishing pressure that would push the harvest of walleyes over that mark, and in fact, most lakes will remain well below it."

When utilizing efficient harvesting methods not common in sport angling, tribal members will be required to obtain permits from their tribes and report their catch. Research will be conducted by both the DNR and the tribes to ensure that harvest is not negatively affecting fish populations.

"The tribes are as concerned as the state when it comes to protecting fish stocks," Smith says.

It is important to note that gill nets, snagging, and commercial sale of fish will be prohibited. In addition, important locations where research, egg collection and special species exist will remain protected with special regulations.

Plant materials and other natural resources will be collected and utilized by tribal members for medicinal, cul-

tural or traditional craft use. The tribes will confer with area DNR forest management personnel to determine appropriate locations for such harvest. Harvest of standing timber will not take place.

All in all, Ekdahl believes the agreement is fair and reasonable, and that it provides long-term stability to managing Michigan's natural re-

sources for future generations. "The tribes had a reserved right to hunt, fish and gather, and this consent decree provides a prudent process for sharing natural resources," he says.

Extensive information about the Treaty of 1836 and the recently completed consent decree is available online at www.michigan.gov/dnr.

Three public meetings on Mackinac Bridge toll hike proposal set for next week

The Michigan Department of Transportation and the Mackinac Bridge Authority are reminding the public about a series of hearings coming up next week. The sessions will give people a chance to offer comments about the proposed increases in bridge tolls.

As previously reported, the Bridge Authority is seeking to hike fares Jan. 1 to help cover the expected costs of future upgrades and repairs to the five-mile span. Several rate-hike schedules have been suggested, but under both, the cost for passenger vehicles to cross the bridge would ultimately increase from the current \$2.50

to \$4. The first public meeting is set for next Tuesday, Dec. 4, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at Little Bear East Arena, 275 Marquette St., in St. Ignace.

That same day, a session will be held from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Hamilton Inn Select, 701 S. Huron St., in Mackinac City.

On Thursday, Dec. 6, a hearing will take place at MDOT's transportation service center, 3101 Technology Blvd., in Lansing.

Each meeting will include formal presentations on the fare-hike proposals (11 a.m. in St. Ignace, 5:30 p.m. in

Mackinac City and 1:30 p.m. in Lansing), followed by a chance for public comment.

Those who can't attend next week's hearings can send their written comments to: Robert H. Parsons, Public Involvement and Hearings Officer, Bureau of Transportation Planning, Michigan Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 30050, Lansing, MI 48909.

Comments can also be sent by e-mail to parsons@michigan.gov or faxed to (517) 373-9255.

For more information, or to comment online, go to www.mackinacbridge.org.

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and found 196 patient days that were "inappropriately used."

Makowski said they are caught between the differing state and federal regulations.

"The state says you have to comply with federal rules, and the federal rules say you have to comply with a patient's wishes on where they want to receive treatment," he said.

"That's exactly what we're doing. If we weren't doing that, we'd be in violation."

MCF Administrator Ruth MacAlpine, who filed the complaint with BHS, said it's clear the hospital is in violation by not following the regulations spelled out in its certificate of need.

She said the issue of when patients are released to long-term care is critically important for the MCF, which has been running below capacity this year.

For most of its existence, the facility was essentially full at all times. Even after several expansion projects, including

the 2005 addition that brought capacity to 103 patients, available space was limited and vacant beds were quickly filled.

This year, however, the MCF census has been only about 86 percent. While that figure improved slightly to 89 percent this month, MacAlpine said they still have beds they need to fill.

"If we have available beds and the hospital is keeping patients longer than they should be, that's an issue, as far as we're concerned," she stated.

A meeting between SMH and MCF officials was set for Wednesday, Nov. 28 (after press time).

Makowski said he was hoping for an agreement between the parties.

"If this works out locally, there will be no need for the state to get involved," he said. "We'll spare no effort to resolve this at the local level."

But MacAlpine predicted that BHS intervention will be

necessary.

"It can be worked out once the state steps in," she said.

Other components of the hospital's nearly \$40 million building project are continuing to come together, Makowski said.

A permit from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality is expected soon. They are also anticipating approval from Manistique city officials and engineers of the plans for running water and sewer lines to the building site west of the city limits.

"These are all just final pieces of the puzzle," Makowski said. "The HUD approval is the big thing now. We were anticipating approval before this and we've certainly had some delays, but we should finally hear something in December."

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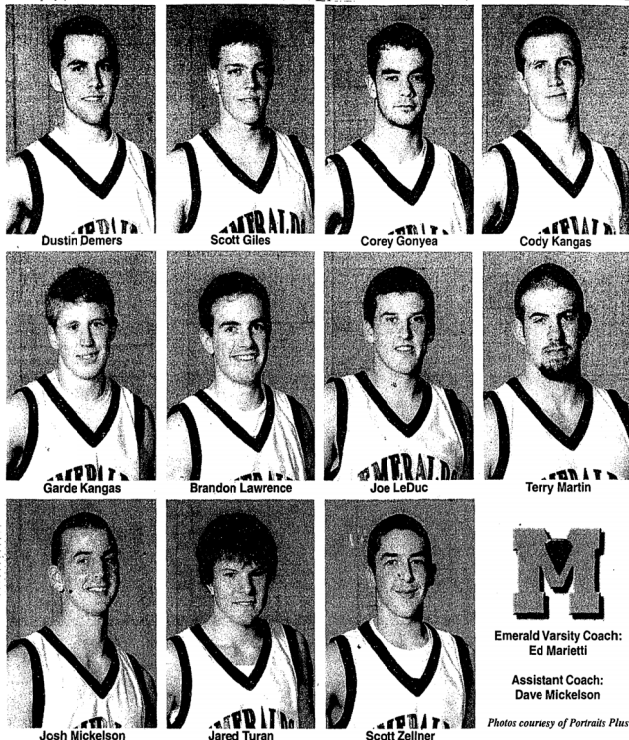
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Marietti expects to see solid play and good results from his experienced varsity squad

With girls' basketball taking the spotlight early in the winter sports season, coach Ed Marietti has one more week to get his boys' varsity squad ready to hit the court.

Looking at a team blessed with experience, depth and speed, Marietti expects the Emeralds to improve on last season's 8-13 finish.

Manistique will be challenged early in the 2007-2008 season with three games on the road, starting with Iron Mountain next Tuesday, Dec. 4, Norway on Friday, Dec. 7, and Newberry Tuesday, Dec. 11.

Playing to his team's strengths, Marietti plans to open things up with a new look on the offensive side of the court, while relying on their speed to shut teams down defensively.

"Our goal for last season was to hold teams to under 50 points. We did that 17 out of the 21 games we played last year. The problem was, we just didn't score," Marietti says.

Looking to correct the problem, he will rely on the play of his three team captains, seniors Corey Gonyea and Cody Kangas and junior Josh Mickelson.

Mickelson led the Emeralds in scoring last season with 12.3 points per game.

Kangas, who finished the season with 227 points, averaged 11.35 per game, while Gonyea averaged 8.7.

Kangas and Mickelson

earned Mid-Peninsula Conference second team honors for their play last season.

"We have 11 guys on this team that can play, but as captains these three need to pick it up a notch if we are going to be competitive," Marietti says. "We are quick, athletic, and should be able to play wide open on both sides of the court."

Returning Scott Giles and Brandon Lawrence will hold down the other two starting slots.

"Scott has been doing a good job under the basket and gives us a lot of flexibility," says Marietti. "Brandon is doing a good job controlling the flow out on the court."

Without the presence of a "big guy" in the paint, the coach introduced four new players that he hopes will catch teams off guard early in the year.

"We are going to move things out and not put up like we did in the previous season," he says. "We put four new players in that are totally different from anything we have done in the past. Hopefully, teams will be surprised the first time around."

Also returning for the Emeralds are junior Terry Martin and senior Joe LeDuc.

Providing depth to this year's team are newcomers Dustin Demers, Garde Kangas, Jared Turan and Scott Zellner.



Mountain and Norway, are also expected to fare well this year.

The Emeralds will travel north to face the Miners on Dec. 27, and Marietti plans to enter their house undefeated.

"Like Neegaunes, we are also seasoned," he says. "We have three players that have been playing together for three years now. This is the year to push them. Most years I never talk about the conference, but I told them if they want it, they can have it."

On the eve of the 2007-2008 season, Manistique varsity head coach Ed Marietti is optimistic that his team can put together a solid campaign.

The five juniors join the ranks of the varsity as back-to-back Mid-Peninsula Conference champions, having lost just four games in their freshman and JV seasons.

While the conference is always competitive, Marietti gives the early edge to the Neegaune Miners.

He notes that there are several teams in the conference that are very young, but Neegaune is not one of them.

"They have their top six guys back, and five were starters," Marietti says.

Like always, the Emeralds' first two opponents, Iron

Emerald girls start off their first winter season right with sweep of the Mustangs

The switch to a winter schedule had a positive effect on the 2007-2008 Lady Emeralds basketball teams. Playing host to the Munising Mustangs Tuesday, Manistique swept both games to kick off this historic season in Michigan high school sports.

Up by one (16-15) at the half, Manistique's junior varsity opened things up in the third quarter. The Emeralds outscored Munising 15-8, fueled by a late 9-2 run, to take an eight-point lead into the final stanza.

"We got off to a very slow start, but once we settled down we started getting the looks we wanted," said coach Craig Hepker. "We need to improve our shooting percentage from the field, but this was a nice win against a good Munising squad."

Trading baskets with the Mustangs early in the fourth quarter, the Emeralds pushed their lead to 12 when Marcy Hoholik scored her ninth point of the night. From there, the Manistique defense took over, holding the Mustangs to just four points down the stretch to secure a 44-34 win.

"We have a nice balance on this year's team, with four or five girls that are capable of putting double digits in the scoring column," Hepker said. "Carlie Kangas played a solid game for a freshman starter. Chantal Albright and Sam Bryant gave us solid minutes coming off the bench."

Ashlee Henry led the Emerald effort with 13 points and eight rebounds. Hoholik added nine points, Abbey Wood eight, Albright four, Bryant and Emily Hepker three points each, Millicent Weber two.

In the varsity contest, the teams traded baskets in the opening seconds, and Melanie Neddow netted her first points to put the Emeralds up 4-2.

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With three players in double figures, the Lady Emeralds corralled the Mustangs 56-35 in the Mid-Peninsula Conference match-up.

"We looked a little shaky at



Varsity starter Kim Vallier attempts two points over a herd of Mustangs during the Emeralds' season-opening game at home Tuesday night. Vallier finished the night with 17 points. At left, Kayla LaMuth (42) positions herself for the possible rebound. LaMuth also finished the night with double figures, netting a team-high of 18. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)

first, but once we began attacking their zone we looked much more cohesive," coach Laurel Ashbrook said. "This was an overall strong, balanced team effort tonight. The Lady Emeralds will be remembered for starting girls' winter basketball in Michigan on a victorious note."

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LaMuth went on to lead the Emeralds with a solid 18 points, while Lawrence finished with 13.

After a slow start to the second period, Manistique put together a 10-2 run and controlled their first double-digit lead when Kim Vallier made a spin move around her defender and scored to give the Emeralds a 24-13 edge.

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With Manistique up by two, Kayla LaMuth took a feed from Ballee Lawrence, went strong to the basket and scored to put the Emeralds ahead 6-2.

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Sophomore Abbey Wood attempts a shot over the back of Abbey Kelto of Munising during the second half of the junior varsity's opening game Tuesday night. Wood finished the night with eight points. Also pictured is Ashlee Henry who put up double figures, netting 13 points. (Pioneer-Tribune photos)

2007-08 Manistique Emeralds Boys Basketball Schedule

			Varsity	JV	Freshmen*
Tuesday	Dec. 4	Iron Mountain	Away	7:30 / 5:45 / 5:30	
Friday	Dec. 7	Norway	Away	8:15 / 6:45 / 6:30	
Tuesday	Dec. 11	Newberry	Away	7:30 / 6:00	
FRIDAY	DEC. 14	GWINN	HOME	7:30 / 6:00 / 6:00	
TUESDAY	DEC. 18	WESTWOOD	HOME	7:30 / 6:00 / 4:30	
THURSDAY	DEC. 20	GLADSTONE	HOME	7:30 / 6:00 / 6:00	
Thursday	Dec. 27	Neegaune	Away	6:00 / 4:30 / 3:00	
Wednesday	Jan. 2	Munising	Away	7:45 / 6:00 / 4:30	
FRIDAY	JAN. 4	NORWAY	HOME	7:30 / 6:00 / 6:00	
Tuesday	JAN. 8	Ishpeming	Away	7:30 / 6:15 / 6:00	
THURSDAY	JAN. 10	IRON MOUNTAIN	HOME	7:30 / 6:00 / 6:00	
FRIDAY	JAN. 18	NEEGAUNE	HOME	7:30 / 6:00 / 6:00	
Tuesday	Jan. 22	Gwinn	Away	7:30 / 6:00 / 6:00	
Thursday	Jan. 24	Westwood	Away	7:45 / 6:15 / 6:00	
FRIDAY	FEB. 1	MUNISING	HOME	7:30 / 6:00 / 6:00	
MONDAY	FEB. 4	ST. IGNACE	HOME	7:30 / 6:00	
FRIDAY	FEB. 8	ISHPEMING	HOME	7:30 / 6:00 / 6:00	
Tuesday	Feb. 12	Rudyard	Away	7:30 / 6:00	
FRIDAY	FEB. 15	NEWBERRY	HOME	7:30 / 6:00	
Friday	FEB. 22	Gladstone	Away	7:15 / 5:45 / 5:30	

*All Freshmen 6 p.m. games will be played at the Emerald Elementary Gymnasium

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Christmas Parade award winners announced

The Manistique Merchants Association has announced the judging results from the 12th annual Christmas Parade, which was held Friday evening, Nov. 23. The event

M-TEC plans conflict resolution course

A four-hour workshop on conflict resolution will be held Wednesday, Dec. 12, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Michigan Technical Education Center (M-TEC) at Bay de Noc Community College in Escanaba.

The interactive workshop is designed to give participants

several thousand spectators turned out to watch the parade, which followed a route along

the confidence and know-how to resolve disagreements and manage conflict. Students will combine their own experience and knowledge with new tech-

Deer, River, Cedar and Oak streets, from the former Lincoln Elementary School to St. Francis de Sales School.

Grand marshals for the

parade were Santa and Mrs. Claus, riding a special sleigh provided by the merchants association and WTIQ radio. Awards were announced in five categories.

The winners were:

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First place: State Savings Bank
Second place, 6032 Cutting Crew
Third place, Peoples Store

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First place, Manistique Area Kiwanis Club
Second place, St. Vincent de Paul Society
Third place, Masonic Temple

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First place, Postal Workers
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Third place, St. Francis de

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Kingsford High School student Kelly Allen, the granddaughter of Manistique residents Art and Ona Allen, is seen in action (left) at the Extremity Games in Orlando last July. After a disappointing result in 2006, Allen trained hard for her second try at the rock-climbing competition. She also arrived at this year's games with a customized prosthetic climbing leg from Wright and Phillips. The extra effort paid off as she finished second, returning home to the U.P. with a silver medal. (Submitted photos)

Allen nabs a silver in climbing at her second Extremity Games

The hot Florida sun wasn't enough to hold back Kingsford High School student Kelly Allen. She is used to such challenges.

Allen, the granddaughter of Manistique resident and Upper Peninsula Sports Hall of Fame member Art Allen, was born with proximal femoral focal deficiency (PFFD), a rare condition that affects musculoskeletal development. She has been wearing a prosthetic leg all her life, but it has never weighed her down.

"She doesn't take no for an answer," says her mother, Barb. "She's wowed all of her doctors, and continues to surprise us."

This past summer, Kelly made her second trip to Orlando to compete in the Extremity Games, an international event that gives limb-deficient athletes a venue to compete in extreme sports.

Participants at the games test their skills in areas such as motocross, wakeboarding, BMX biking, kayaking, rock climbing and skateboarding. Approximately 300 athletes from five countries come together for the competition, with over 1,000 spectators on hand to watch.

In 2006, Kelly competed in rock climbing and encountered some difficulty. She didn't make it onto the winner's podium, but she didn't give up. "I wasn't really prepared," she says. "I didn't know what to expect."

Kelly spent a year training with people from her area, such as Karen Harrison from Florence High School, as well as students from Northern Michigan University. She also

worked with experts from Planet Rock in downstate Pontiac.

In July she made the trek back to Orlando, ready to take on the wall again. This time she was fitted with a customized climbing leg from Wright and Phillips.

"Wright and Phillips has been really great," Barb Allen says. "They have done everything they could to support Kelly, and they do the same for all their patients."

Each year, the company sponsors a team of Michigan athletes, known as the Amputees, that competes in the Extremity Games.

Kelly worked her way through the rounds of the 2007 rock-climbing competition, making it all the way to the

finals, where she faced off against a 27-year-old Missouri athlete named Christine O'Conner. She lost by just a few seconds, but was not disappointed with her second-place finish.

The experience has left a lasting mark on Kelly and her family.

"This competition is unique," says her father, John. "I have never seen more competitive, determined athletes, yet they are also so supportive of one another. I have a hard time talking to people about the experience and not getting emotional."

For more information on the Extremity Games, including photos of this year's competition, go to www.extremitygames.com.

DNR pushes permits

The Department of Natural Resources is issuing its annual pitch urging people to buy state park and boating access site permits as holiday gifts.

Michigan state park gift certificates are also available and can be redeemed for a permit, camping fee or other related items throughout the year.

Permits and gift certificates can be bought through the Michigan E-store at www.michigan.gov/dnr. State park and recreation areas should also have the 2008 permits available around Dec. 1.

Senior discount permits can only be purchased in person at a state park or recreation area, or at the DNR's main offices in downtown Lansing.

Gift certificates can only be

purchased online or by calling (517) 373-9900.

Ten state parks or recreation areas are open for camping year-round, including Tahquamenon Falls State Park in the Upper Peninsula. Semi-modern campsites with electricity are available.

Many parks also have cabins available to rent all year. At Fayette Historic State Park, the Furnace Hill Lodge is open through the winter. The furnished and fully-equipped cottage sleeps up to 10 people. At Porcupine Mountains State Park in the western U.P., weather-tight tent-like shelters called yurts are available.

Reservations can be made at www.michiganreservations.com or by calling (800) 447-2757.

2007-08 Manistique Emeralds Wrestling Schedule

Thursday	Nov. 29	Manising and Ishpeming Triangular	Ishpeming	6:00
Thursday	Dec. 6	West Iron and Norway	Norway	7:00
Saturday	Dec. 8	St. Ignace Invitational	Away	10 am
WEDNESDAY	DEC. 12	SOC AND ESCANABA TRIANGULAR	HOME	6:30
Friday	Dec. 14	Bridge Brawl Tournament	Rudyard	2:30
Tuesday	Dec. 18	Kingsford, Marquette, Iron Mount	Iron Mount	6:30
Thursday	Dec. 20	Rudyard and Newberry Triangular	Newberry	TBA
Saturday	Jan. 5	Escanaba Elks Invitational	Away	10 am
Wednesday	Jan. 9	Cheboygan	Away	6:00
Saturday	Jan. 12	Kingsford Invitational	Away	9 am
Tuesday	Jan. 22	Lena, Menominee, Oconto Quad	Menominee	6:30
THURSDAY	JAN. 24	NORWAY	HOME	6:00
Saturday	Jan. 26	UP Invitational	Marquette	TBA
Thursday	Jan. 31	Negaunee	Away	6:30
THURSDAY	FEB. 7	GWINN AND NEWBERRY TRI.	HOME	6:00
Wednesday	Feb. 13	Team District Tourney	TBA	TBA
Saturday	Feb. 16	Individual District Tourney	TBA	TBA

Manistique Emerald 2007-08 Varsity Swim Schedule

Saturday	Dec. 1	Kingsford Relays	Away	10:00 am
TUESDAY	DEC. 4	MARQUETTE	HOME	5:00
Wednesday	Dec. 12	Westwood	Away	4:00
Monday	Dec. 17	Rudyard	Away	5:00
Monday	Jan. 7	Gwinn	Away	5:00
Thursday	Jan. 10	Kingsford	Away	5:00
Saturday	Jan. 12	Marquette Slash Dash	Away	10:00 am
MONDAY	JAN. 14	GWINN	HOME	5:00
THURSDAY	JAN. 17	RUDYARD	HOME	5:00
Wednesday	Jan. 23	Marquette	Away	3:30
Thursday	Jan. 24	Ishpeming/Negaunee	Away	4:00
MONDAY	JAN. 28	WESTWOOD	HOME	5:00
Wednesday	Feb. 6	Mid Pen Conference	Gwinn	5:00
Saturday	Feb. 16	UP Finals	Marquette	5:00 am

Manistique Public Safety Department Log

The following information is from Manistique Public Safety dispatch logbooks recorded at the time the calls were received.

Monday, Nov. 19, 2007
10:04 a.m. Emergency Medical Service (EMS), Manistique Township
2:05 p.m. Lockout, Cedar Street
3:20 p.m. Hit and run property damage accident, Deer Street
9:05 p.m. EMS personal injury accident, Inwood Township

Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2007
12:03 a.m. Alarm, Oak Street
12:47 a.m. Alarm, Oak Street
1:25 a.m. Fight in progress, U.S. Highway 2
8:14 a.m. Assist, Chippewa Avenue
10:15 a.m. Assist, Oak Street
11:45 a.m. EMS, transfer to Petoskey
11:45 a.m. Lockout, U.S. Highway 2
12:15 p.m. Possible fire, County Road 442
12:50 p.m. Wounded deer, U.S. Highway 2
1:10 p.m. Neighbor dispute, Fourth Street
2 p.m. Car deer property damage accident, U.S. Highway 2
3:50 p.m. Failure to stop for school bus, U.S. Highway 2
8:30 p.m. EMS, Hiawatha Township
8:35 p.m. Dog bite, Houghton Avenue
Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2007
1:35 a.m. Alarm, Oak Street
4:58 a.m. 911 Hang-up, First Street
8:02 a.m. EMS/personal injury accident, Manistique Township
8:20 a.m. Property damage accident, U.S. Highway 2
8:21 a.m. Salt request, U.S. Highway 2
8:35 a.m. Property damage accident, U.S. Highway 2
9:45 a.m. Citizen assist, within city of Manistique
1:15 p.m. Department assist, Main Street
3 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street
7 p.m. Peeping Tom, River Street
8:23 p.m. Domestic in progress, Cedar Street
9:56 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street
9 a.m. K-9 Request, U.S. Highway 2
12:40 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street
Friday, Nov. 23, 2007
6:30 a.m. Department of Public Works request, U.S. Highway 2
8:10 a.m. Motorist assist, Maple Street
9:30 a.m. Child custody dispute, within city of Manistique
11:40 a.m. Alarm, Oak Street
11:45 a.m. Civil issue, Fifth Street
12:04 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street
12:36 p.m. Landlord tenant dispute, Main Street
6 p.m. Christmas Parade detail, through city of Manistique
11:18 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street
Saturday, Nov. 24, 2007
8:15 a.m. Department of Public Works call out, U.S. Highway 2
12:22 p.m. EMS, within city of Manistique
1:30 p.m. harassing phone calls, Elk Street
6:50 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street
Sunday, Nov. 25, 2007
12:04 a.m. Alarm, Oak Street
1:25 a.m. Alarm, Oak Street
7:56 a.m. Alarm, U.S. Highway 2
8 a.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette
11:40 a.m. EMS, transfer to Marquette
11:02 a.m. Alarm, Oak Street
2:51 p.m. Possible child endangerment, Oak Street
3:22 p.m. Damage of property, Fifth Street
6:25 p.m. Dogs fighting, Fourth Street
10 p.m. Alarm, Oak Street

District Court

Amy Beth Anderson-Speziale, 28, of Stephenson, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (11/07). Assessed \$106.

Kylee Jean B. Iski, 17, of Norway, charged with driving 70 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (9/07). Assessed \$120.

Lynnae Robert Chamberlin, 71, of Seney, charged with placing box blind prior to Nov. 5 (11/07). Assessed \$125.

Robert Frederick Forry, 65, of Manistique, charged with placing blind box prior to Nov. 5 (11/07). Assessed \$65.

Arnold Allan Higley, 57, of Gould City, charged with bait violator (11/07). Assessed \$125.

Arnold Allan Higley, 57, of Gould City, charged with hunting over bait violation (11/07). Assessed \$125.

David Keith Legge, 43, of Gladstone, plead guilty in 93rd District Court to operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated and open intoxicants in a motor vehicle (11/07). He was assessed \$85 state costs, \$100 state police expense reimbursement, \$50 crime vic-Gerald Pishan, 71, of Flat Rock, charged with littering (11/07). Assessed \$250.

Jennifer Lynn Robert, 23, of Rapid River, charged with driving 65 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (10/07). Assessed \$106.

Michael Robert Smith, 27, of Cornell, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone (11/07). Assessed \$100.

tim rights assessment, \$380 statute fine, \$455 statute costs, \$1,070 total. He was sentenced to 10 days in the Schoolcraft County Jail and received credit for time served. Optional jail term 10 days.

Sadie Elizabeth Overland, 17, of Manistique, plead guilty in 93rd District Court to malicious destruction of a building less than \$200 and minor in possession of alcohol (10/07). She was assessed \$85 state costs, \$125 statute costs, \$50 crime victim rights assessment, \$110 statute fine, \$370 total. She was sentenced to serve 15 days in the Schoolcraft County Jail which is suspended over 12 months probation.

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Planning & Zoning Commission one term expiring 12/31/07 3 year term
Soil Erosion & Sedimentation Appeal Board one term expiring 12/31/07 3 year term
Zoning Board of Appeals three terms expiring 12/31/07 3 year term
County Wide Public Works Department one term 01/13/07 3 year term (City rep.)
Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Board three terms expiring 12/31/06 8 year term
Woodland Meadows Assisted Living three terms expiring 12/31/05 6 year term
Woodland Meadows Assisted Living three terms expiring 12/31/06 6 year term
Woodland Meadows Assisted Living three terms expiring 12/31/07 6 year term

If you are interested in serving on any of these Boards and/or Commissions, you may pick up an Application Form from the Clerk's Office, or you may request an Application Form by writing to the following address:

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Manistique, Michigan 49854

or, you may telephone the Clerk's Office at (906) 341-3618 and request that an Application Form be sent to you.

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