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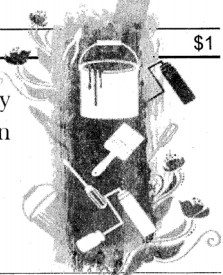
Food truck plans return this month

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Ladies, get ready to paint the town with Habitat

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Quick facts

An exhibit included as part of a lawsuit recently filed against the city of Manistique, among others, reveals that the current mayor of Manistique called for the dissolution of the EDC after a member suggested EDC members attend a city meeting.

Lawsuit exhibit reveals mayor request

Call to dissolve EDC came after effort to rally

MANISTIQUE - Within the documents included in a recently filed lawsuit against the city, an email from the mayor of Manistique appears to call for the dissolution of the Schoolcraft County Economic Development Corporation. The lawsuit file, in its entirety, was recently obtained by the Pioneer Tribune.

The plaintiffs of the lawsuit, mBank and The Mustard Seed, Inc., are contesting the purchase of the former Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce building by the city of Manistique. Defendants named in the case are the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce, former chamber board members Gerald Reese, Dennis Jankowski, John Brazda, Paul Walker, the city of Manistique and Manistique City Manager Sheila Aldrich.

Within the complaint file, "Exhibit O" is referenced - an email from Manistique Mayor Jan Jeffcott to Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners Chairperson Allan Ott. In the email, dated March 12, Jeffcott states that, "Based upon the

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Upcoming Events

April 13 - Big Bay de Noc Senior Class vs. Delta Duncers, Big Bay de Noc School, 6 p.m.

April 15 - Manistique Merchants Association annual Easter Egg Hunt, Emerald Elementary, 11 a.m.

April 20 - Healthy Options Vegetarian Cooking Class, First Baptist Church, 6 p.m.

Parties aim toward mediation

Injunction hearing ends with five-person panel, talks of facilitated mediation

MANISTIQUE - Efforts to come to an agreement regarding the former Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce building are underway. Those efforts, along with the continuation of a temporary injunction against the city of Manistique, were discussed during a hearing in 11th Judicial Circuit Court last week.

A lawsuit was filed late last month by mBank and local business The Mustard Seed, Inc. against the city of Manistique and Manistique City Manager Sheila Aldrich, Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce, former chamber board members Gerald Reese, Dennis Jankowski, John Brazda, Paul Walker.

The lawsuit alleges that the city falsely stated that the chamber building was facing "imminent foreclosure" and subsequently rushed a vote to secure the building. This purchase process, the lawsuit claims, was done using improper voting procedures - particularly by the chamber board.

The lawsuit also claims that mBank had, prior to

the city's purchase of the building, offered to forgive the debts associated with the chamber in a letter to the board's president, Reese, dated March 7. On March 17, mBank sent a request to the city of Manistique and the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce Board asking officials to accept a "refund" of the entire purchase price of the chamber building and assets - \$44,960, according to the bill of sale dated March 9.

In addition, mBank said it would become owner of all the chamber assets and building - with the intent of relinquishing the property to the newly formed Schoolcraft Tourism and Commerce group - as well as release all parties from any claims, and cover a certain amount of legal costs to facilitate its requests.

The city's failure to respond resulted in the lawsuit, which included a request by the plaintiffs for a preliminary injunction to prevent the city from taking possession of the building until the conclusion of litigation.

On March 23, Judge William W. Carmody ordered the temporary restraining order and order to show cause against the city. During the hearing held last Thursday, Carmody agreed to keep the order in place while the parties attempt a mutual agreement regarding the chamber building.

"I appreciate the efforts that have gone on so far to attempt to resolve some of the matters," Carmody said, noting that he had been advised that the parties in the case came to a "working agreement going forward"

Representing the plaintiffs in the case, Attorney Matthew D. Vermetten was on hand for the hearing.

"We appreciate the court providing this ample time to have counsel and their representatives meet," he said. "What we have come up with, your honor, is a five-member panel of community leaders that will work together in an effort to expedite the efficient opening or securing of the building in question ... That should take place within a couple of weeks."

The community members selected to serve on the panel include: David Muxlow, Kimberly Shiner, Jennifer Watson, Robert Crumb, and Jerry Messenger. Vermetten explained that the panel will meet and, within 30 days, will come up with a plan to open the former chamber building.

A "facilitated mediation" with the parties in the lawsuit

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Pioneer Tribune photos from the 50th annual CBC Radio-Television took place Sunday with community members rallying to support the long-standing fundraiser. The day featured plenty of activities, including an auction, games, talent show, performances, and even a tribute to some of the past CBC chairs (above). Leading the day, at right, were L. David Vaughan, Pete Widdis, and Rick Stram. The fund drive ended the night with just over \$53,000 under its belt. A final tally of the entire CBC Fund Drive will be released in the coming weeks.

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UPSET drug bust suspects headed to circuit

Eight facing felony drug charges waive preliminaries

MANISTIQUE - Suspects of a recent drug bust by the Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team are headed to higher court.

Each suspect appeared for - and subsequently waived - preliminary hearings in 93rd District Court April 10.

Scott Jeffrey Phelps, 45, of 908.5 Arbutus Ave., is facing one count of controlled substance - maintaining a drug house, a high court misdemeanor punishable by up to two years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine; and two counts of controlled substance - deliver/ manufacture, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine.

Scott remains lodged in Schoolcraft County Jail on a \$100,000 surety bond set by Judge Luoma.

Christopher Michael Lavigne, 36, of 140 S. Second St., is facing one count of controlled substance - deliver/ manufacture, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine.

Lavigne posted his surety bond of \$20,000 set by Judge Luoma.

Melinda Sue Phelps, of 908.5 Arbutus Ave., is facing one count of controlled substance - maintaining a drug house, a high court misdemeanor punishable by up to two years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine; and one count of controlled substance - deliver/ manufacture, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a

Area Habitat plans Women's Build

MANISTIQUE - Habitat for Humanity HiawathaLand will work alongside Lowe's volunteers and a mostly-female construction crew for Habitat for Humanity's 10th annual National Women Build Week, May 6-14. Habitat's National Women Build Week invites women to make a difference and devote one day to help improve decent and affordable housing in their local community.

More than 17,000 women, including Lowe's Heroes volunteers, are expected to volunteer at construction sites across the country as part of Habitat's 2017 National Women Build Week.

In Manistique, volunteers will work to kick off the HHHH "Paint the Town" Project.

"This summer, we will be painting as many homes as possible

in our service area," said HHHH Office Manager Ann MacGregor. "Beginning with our Women Build Day on May 12, we will do what we can to help preserve homes while improving the aesthetics of neighborhoods and the community."

Lowe's helped launch National Women Build Week in 2008 to empower women to advocate for affordable housing and spotlight the homeownership challenges faced by many. Each year, Lowe's provides the support of their employee volunteers, Lowe's Heroes,

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Pictured Rocks Days returns June 10

Event features festival, free 'Yooper' rides

MUNISING - Pictured Rocks Days, hosted by the Alger County Chamber, will take place June 10 and 11. The event is held at Baysboro Park in downtown Munising.

Also during that weekend, Pictured Rocks Cruises is hosting annual free cruises to Michigan's Upper Peninsula residents. The Pictured Rocks Days festival, which started in 2013, has grown to over 6,500 with attendees from across the Upper Peninsula, the Munising community, and both international and domestic tourists.

"Combining our efforts with the cruises has been a success for both us and the community. While people are waiting for their cruise, or before or after their ride, they can enjoy the festival and we have something for people of all ages," said Kathy Reynolds, Alger County Chamber executive director.

The festival includes bands, nature shows, vendors, food, interpretive, demonstration and informational booths. This year, the day also includes a petting zoo.

"In 2012, we started with 60 vendors, last year we had almost 90 vendors and this year we expect the same," said Reynolds. "It is now the largest event in Munising, other than the July 4 celebration."

As far as vendor participation it is the largest ever in Munising and Alger County. Year after year, the festival has been record-setting for Munising's Baysboro Park," she continued. "We started with a one-day event and the last few years it has grown to a two-day event. People that come make it a weekend-long excursion and there is something for people of every age and interest. Also, one of our biggest sponsors is the Munising Visitor's Bureau. Without them, and the numerous

Pictured Rocks
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Dear Editor:

On behalf of my co-chairs, Alan Barr and Bob Crumb, we would like to thank the businesses and residents of Manistique and Schoolcraft County for making the 50th annual CBC Fund Drive the best ever. By the end of our Telethon on Palm Sunday we had reached a total of \$53,248 - an all-time record!

On a per capita basis, Schoolcraft County people must be the most generous in the state! The money will be split among The American Cancer Society, Bay Cliff Health Camp, and our community charity, which this year is the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Manistique.

We must thank our CBC Committee, which has met almost weekly since January and worked tirelessly for the cause, all on a volunteer basis, and many of them for 10, 20, even 50 years. If you visit www.cbcschoolcraft.org you can see their names, too numerous to list here.

In addition to the telethon, we thank all the organizers of the CBC special events held these past three months such as the basketball and volleyball tournaments, swim-a-thon, senior citizen center's bake sale, Marley's Bar, auction, Moose Club events, Mackinac Trail Winery, buckboards, Emerald house, and others.

Major support came from area businesses and their employees including mBank, Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital, Carmeuse, Graymont, Cloverland Electric, Hardees, Apple Barrel, Troy's Automotive, and many, many more.

We thank our civic organizations including the Rotary Club and Elks Club; also the Kiwanis Club for organizing the kid's games during the telethon as well as the Boy Scouts for being our runners.

Thank you to the folks who donated over 100 wonderful bid items for the telethon, and to those who generously bid on them. Also thanks goes to State Rep. John Kivela, who visited our Telethon and helped read pledges on stage, to the many past CBC chairs who participated in our 50th anniversary celebration on stage, to Holiday Helpers for the stage decorations, to Charter Spectrum for the radio/TV broadcasts, to the organizations that set up health booths, and to the many talented performers who

made our telethon entertaining. Some have said that 50 years is long enough, but it is obvious after another successful Fund Drive that CBC is here to stay in Schoolcraft County, and I challenge new people to get involved in this most rewarding experience for CBC 2018.

Jim Weber,
first chair CBC 2017
Manistique

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the U.P. Regional Blood Center, I would like to thank the Army Group, Mindy Asp and Kristen Demers from Manistique High School for hosting blood drives in the month of March.

As a result of everyone's efforts, we collected an outstanding, 81 pints of blood. I would also like to thank all the blood donors who took the time to give the "gift of life."

When donating to the U.P. Regional Blood Center, you are supporting your community hospital.

Thank you,
Sallie Cron
Coordinator of Blood
Collections
U.P. Regional Blood Center

Dear Editor,

I understand that the city has now decided to secure a grant to purchase the land the old chamber of commerce building sits upon. This is after purchasing the old chamber building. When will this city council start thinking in the 21st century?

The city says it will develop a trail on the land and put picnic tables on the property, so tourists can picnic and rest there. Really, if I am a tourist and I am driving through Manistique would I rather picnic on U.S. Highway 2 and watch the traffic go by, or would I enjoy sitting at Lakeside/Bradley Park on the shores of Lake Michigan?

Why not put your maintenance budget into fixing up the city beach, boardwalk, which is a trail by the way, and Lakeside/Bradley Park. Here's a 21st Century thought: make the beach handicap accessible and advertise the fact that the beach is handicap accessible. It is a long drive from the Mackinac Bridge to the Wisconsin border and points in

between. A well-kept handicap accessible park, boardwalk and beach will become a stopping point.

Place some signs advertising this handicap accessible beach a few miles from town so people will look for it. Maybe add a pavilion for picnicking and a dog park. With an improved beach and picnic area, Manistique residents can also enjoy the park, and benefit from their tax dollars being spent.

As for the city's idea of fun for tourists, sitting in a field of dry grass in the summer is not that inviting.

They also indicated that it would be used as an Iron Belle Trailhead. Look across the street, the city already owns that property, the campground, the trailhead could be located there.

I believe the logic for buying the chamber building was that; it will become a "welcome center" with the campground going in across the street, people will want brochures and directions to finding places like Kitch-ti-ki. Well, here's some 21st Century thinking: with some signage in town on U.S. 2 that can be accomplished, without the taxpayers paying for heat, water and electric, plus the cost of maintaining the building and grounds.

I know this is 21st Century thinking, but with apps, smart phones and GPS in vehicles, how much is a Welcome Center really going to be needed in the future? These same brochures can be picked up at local businesses, online or how about at a kiosk in the new campground. Maybe some of this new found money could be used to fix some streets in town?

Taxpayers, do you really believe your city council did you a favor by purchasing the old chamber building and applying for a grant for the land? Everything the new "welcome center" is supposed to do is going to be done by the Schoolcraft Tourism and Commerce group at no charge to the taxpayer.

That's why this group was formed, so groups would not waste money by replicating services. Believe me if the city wants to spend money in a haphazard way, how about making my truck payment each month, because hey, it's only taxpayer money.

Take back your city council this November.

Bill Vandagriff
Doyle Township

Dear Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Zellar Family: Stan Sr., Stan Jr., and Jim for their new recycling initiative. Even though they have been recycling cardboard and metal the last few years, their new "trial" plastic milk bottle and water/juice bottle program has really taken off.

Hopefully, people will follow

the new recycling rules and this service can continue and possibly expand.

Neighboring counties, like Delta, have a full service recycling program. Schoolcraft seems to be late to the recycling party.

It is encouraging to see this program as a positive alternative to other types of waste disposal for our community.

Thank you Zellar's, for this new service.

Reduce, reuse, recycle!

Barbara F. Pollis
Doyle Township

The Archives

This week in the Pioneer Tribune...

50 Years Ago April 13, 1967

-Revision of the city charter was approved by almost a 10-1 majority in a special election held here Tuesday. Nine members of a charter commission were also chosen from a field of 15 candidates. The charter proposal passed by a 502-52 margin, as only 25 percent of the city's 2,400 registered voters turned out. There were 603 votes cast. Candidates elected to the charter commission, and their vote totals were: Rev. Ingmar Levin, 459; Clyde Strasser, 388; Omer Schuster, 388; Joseph L. Giovanni, 373; John Orr, 369; Jack Phillips, 363; Norman Jahn, 362; Raymond Krusic, 314 and Mary Moffat, 309. The commission will meet in two weeks to start their task.

-A stricter food handling ordinance was approved, and one setting new regulations and rates for the city's cemeteries was introduced at the Monday night meeting of the City Council. The food handling ordinance, which will cover groceries, churches and other food processors, as well as restaurants, will not go into effect until Sept. 1. This will allow those who are affected by the ordinance to undergo inspection and make any needed changes. The ordinance is almost identical to one adopted by the county last year. Voting on the ordinance was 4-1, with Councilman Leo DeMars casting the dissenting vote.

-Strong enforcement of the city's dangerous building and blight ordinance this summer was promised at the Monday meeting of the City Council. City Manager Robert Noe said he is planning a complete survey of sub-standard buildings in the city, and follow-up action on condemnation and removal is also planned. Noe also pointed out there would be action taken against those people in violation of the blight ordinance who have rubbish, wood and abandoned automobiles on their property.

-A tentative 1968 county budget totaling \$242,210 was approved by the Board of Supervisors at their regular April meeting Tuesday. At the same time they approved the annual equalization report setting the total state equalized valuation for the county at \$25,868,129 - a \$810,000 boost from last year.

-Three Manistique High School students received awards at the Regional Industrial Arts Fair held at Rudyard March 31. Jim Lakosky won second place with a hand work hammer, while David Vaughan and Roger Vanderville were awarded honorable mentions. There were 15 entries from Manistique, and more than 100 entries in the entire exhibit. Also participating were high school students from Sault Ste. Marie, Rudyard and Brimley. The Fair was held under the sponsorship of the U.P. Industrial Arts Association.

35 Years Ago April 15, 1982

-In an unexpected move, the County Board Tuesday night decided to drop its requirement that county employees must use time clocks to punch in and out. The board voted 4-2 to honor a grievance filed by the union representing sheriff's deputies and not require them to use a time clock. The vote was extended to apply to workers in the county courthouse as well. Lindsey Frenette and Rick Pawley were the board members who voted against dropping the time clock requirement. Board Member Ernie Hoholik was absent Tuesday.

-For the first time in memory, the Manistique City Council broke with tradition and did not elect as mayor the candidate who received the most votes in the city election. The board held last week. Instead, they voted 3-2 Monday night to elect veteran Council Member Bill Hackney to the post after two other nominees said they didn't want the job. Hackney broke a tie vote to give himself the job. Had the council chosen to stick with tradition, the job of mayor would have gone to Mike Dougovito, the council member sworn in Monday who received the most votes in the city election April 5.

-Voters will be asked to approve an eight-tenths mill tax increase for school operating millage for four years by the Manistique Area Schools board of education. The board will make the request at the annual school election on June 14 came on a 5-2 vote after a lengthy, heated discussion at the board's regular Tuesday night meeting. The increase request includes three-tenths of a mill to develop and expand the computer program at the high school. The program would include training the staff in the use of computers and computer teaching techniques. The remaining half mill would balance the projected 1982-83 budget deficit of \$35,000. If the millage passes, it will generate an additional \$63,800 for the school system.

20 Years Ago April 17, 1997

-The final agreement for the clean up of the Manistique Harbor will be signed at a 7 p.m. ceremony Monday, April 21, at Manistique High School. Merilee Blowers, chairwoman of the Manistique Harbor Public Advisory Council, announced the ceremony plans Wednesday morning, April 16. In a statement, Blowers said the agreement between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Manistique Papers, Inc., Old Mountain Co., Edison Sault Electric Co. and the City of Manistique was the result of efforts from people throughout Schoolcraft County.

-After months of planning, the Schoolcraft County Family Coordinating Council is ready to offer computers, reference materials and other information-gathering resources to area families. The family resource center, located in the Head Start building on Chippewa Avenue, will be unveiled to the public at an open house from noon to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 24, before opening Monday, April 28. The centerpiece of the resource center is the technology it will offer to anyone in the Schoolcraft County area who needs it.

-Plenty of food fun and entertainment were enjoyed by the many families attending this year's PTO Carnival at St. Francis de Sales. The event, which raises funds for the PTO, was quite popular with the children.

10 Years Ago April 12, 2007

-The weather in the Upper Peninsula, and most of the eastern U.S., took an unseasonable turn for the worse late last week, but that didn't stop the Easter Bunny from making his scheduled stop at the Manistique Marina on Saturday - and it didn't stop local children from turning out to meet him.

-The Manistique Public Safety Department is once again taking the lead in organizing and delivering the messages of fire safety and burn prevention in Schoolcraft County, but the program is heading in a new direction this year. According to Public Safety Director Ken Golat, their programs have traditionally been geared toward school children. While that will remain a priority, they are also expanding their efforts with materials and lessons devoted to fire safety for all residents, including extra focus on senior citizens.

-As always, young people did their part to help the CBC fund drive, which culminated April 11 with the annual radio-telethon. Among the groups picking in were students at the Manistique Middle School, who held their traditional "Penny Wars" and raised a record \$880.36 for the cause. Students in grades 6-8 competed, with the class collecting the most set to receive an ice cream treat.

VANTAGE POINT

BY DANIEL J. PAUL

Your arms now hold the person who once held you.

Your hands now lift the person who once helped to raise you up.

Your legs now steady the person who taught you to walk.

You now dry the tears and comfort the one whom once comforted you.

You now feed the person who once fed you.

You now settle the distress of bad dreams of the one who once settled them for you.

Such is the transformation for those of us who become the caregiver of a parent. I had the opportunity, as probably many others do, to be able to spend time almost every day with my mom at a local nursing home. In the nursing home, even at 98.5 years old, she would often join me while I would write my articles. She, in turn, would write letters to both friends and relatives (both in the USA and in Italy). Oftentimes, her handwritten letters to Italy were in Italian.

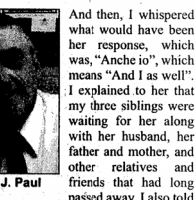
One of the defining characteristics of my mom was her deep, abiding faith. This faith carried her through the deepest of sad times in burying all of my three siblings at various ages (newborn, age 22, and age 65). It also sustained her in dealing with her mental depression for decades. Served as all of this, her faith through her as anchor in life.

Her strong sense of family and values tied generations together. Her examples of loving one another, of being honest, and helping those less fortunate have made meaningful differences not only with family, but with friends and all who encountered her.

It was always one of her dreams to connect our family in the USA with our relatives in Italy. This has been accomplished, as they have traveled over here and spent time with us, and we have done likewise. In fact, I will be traveling to Italy (a trip my mother helped me to plan) with my son and a friend. So, this dream has been fulfilled.

She also left us with family history in the form of letters and photographs, along with explanations and stories to accompany the photographs from relatives in both the USA and Italy. Additionally, she wrote the story of her life and researched her family tree, with dates all the way back to 1450.

The last days of her life were hard, but death came quickly and quietly. Some of her last words to me were, "Dan, I have to die sometime. Thanks for being here." So, as she was breathing her last breath, I kissed her forehead and said in Italian, "Te amo tanto" which means, "I love you a lot."



Daniel J. Paul

And then, I whispered what would have been her response, which means "And I as well!"

I explained to her that my three siblings were waiting for her along with her husband, her father and mother, and other relatives and friends that had long passed away. I also told her that I will be OK and that in time I'll be along.

So, the same could be said for many of us all. For those of you whose parent or parents are still alive, make the time to spend with them. If amends need to be made,

make it a top priority. Time spent together near life's end is always time well-spent no matter the circumstances.

In remembrance of my mother, Alice Botta-Paul (Oct. 9, 1918 to March 16, 2017), who lived a rich, full life.

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OBITUARIES

Fredolf Oscar Nelson

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. — Fredolf Oscar Nelson, 92, passed from this world on April 5, 2017. He left with the knowledge that his new life with the Lord, reunited with many he loved, including his beloved mother, would sustain him until his earthly love came to join him.



Fredolf Oscar Nelson

Fred was born June 5, 1924, in Gulliver, Mich., to Carl and Ellen (Johnson) Nelson at home on their farm. He was the fourth child of five. Fred respected his father, who worked most of the time, but was particularly attached to his mother, who he frequently described as a saint, an angel, and a tireless giver. Fred almost did not survive an early illness as an infant. Fred was an outdoorsman from a very early age, spending most of his time hunting, fishing, traveling the woods with his dog. His older sister Signe Cameron and older brother Ragnar Nelson were second parents to him and he held them in high regard and respect. His U.P. upbringing made him a resourceful and independent man, able to build his adult home in Battle Creek himself, hand mixing the concrete and pouring it batch by batch. Fred was always the type of man that could do anything he needed to do. In fact, he rebuilt an entire airplane in the family garage at one point.

Fred graduated from Manistique High School in Manistique, Mich., in 1943. Soon after graduation, he joined the Army to fight in WWII. His desire was to become a pilot and began his advanced training to do that, including ground training in Florida, Wisconsin, and Ohio. Eventually, the Army's need for pilots waned and he was re-assigned to radar and served as such aboard the USS Alhambra Victory, transiting the Atlantic carrying troops and supplies. He was honored to be chosen for an Honor Flight to visit the memorials in Washington, DC. But like all men of the Greatest Generation, he told us the real heroes of WWII never came home.

Later in life, Fred obtained his pilots license and frequently flew the family to Beaver Island and vacations back in the U.P. We particularly remember landing his plane on Seul Choix Bay beach south of Gulliver to vacation with the Bowman family and his lifelong friend Bill Bowman.

Fred became a Christian in his adult life as well. During a service at the First Wesleyan Church in Battle Creek, Fred accepted the Lord as his savior and until the end of his life was devoted to his religious growth and development, reading scripture and biblical teachings often. This religious conversion and dedication changed his perspective on life in tremendous ways.

After the war, he met and married Dolores Jones on March 27, 1948, in Battle Creek. She became the most important person in his life. Together they started their family, eventually consisting of Lynn, Garry, Brian, and Bruce, who all survive him including three grandsons; nine granddaughters; and seven great-grandchildren. Fred coached his boys in little league baseball, taught them how to work, and how to be men. And he had a special place in his heart for his only daughter Lynn, who taught him how to be a father. Eventually, Fred retired from General Foods Carton and Container Division in 1986 as an electrician and bought a cottage on Bear Lake, Mich., where he made his summer home until recently.

Fred's retirement years were spent riding his motorcycle, including to Alaska, continuing his flying hobby, and wintering in Arizona. In 1999, he flew to Sweden to meet his remaining relatives there. He also kept in close contact with his niece, Brenda Phillips (Keys), and her daughter, Laurie Phillips (Manella) while in Arizona.

Fred will be missed by all who knew him. His advice, "Life is not a rehearsal", should be practiced by all.

Sheila Ann Makinen



Sheila A. Makinen

NEGAUNEE TOWNSHIP, Mich. — Sheila Ann Makinen, 62, of Makinen Road, Negaunee Township, passed away at home early Tuesday morning, April 4, 2017, surrounded by her loving family and under the care of U.P. Home Health and Hospice.

Sheila was born July 10, 1954, in Manistique to Fredrick and Marian (Bacon) Hastings and graduated from Manistique High School, Class of 1972. She was employed as a bartender at Tino's Bar and Pizza, the Beau Chateau, the Richmond Township Community Club and most recently at the Negaunee Eagle's Club.

In her free time, Sheila enjoyed reading, watching old westerns, being outdoors, fishing, bird hunting and taking drives. She also enjoyed playing cards, cribbage, bingo, and shooting pool. Most of all, Sheila loved spending time with family, friends and the many patrons she became close with throughout her career.

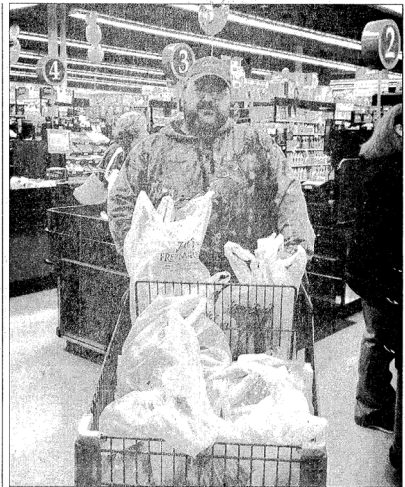
Surviving are her husband, Les-

lie Fred Makinen; her mother, Marian Kivistio; sisters, Cheryl Cameron and Diane Hastings; nephew, Leo Cameron; stepmother, Gene Hastings; stepchildren, Janet Makinen, Amy Makinen, David (Devon) Makinen; stepister, Deb (Steve) Fish; stepbrother, Dan (Connie) Kelsey; and her special lifelong friend, Jim Johnson.

She was preceded in death by her father; step-father, Robert 'Dutchie' Kivistio; step-daughter, Jeri Makinen; step-sister, Donna Kelsey; and brother-in-law, Leo Cameron, Jr.

A celebration of Sheila's life will be held from 1-6 p.m. on Saturday, April 15, at the Negaunee Eagle's Club where a meal and refreshments will be served. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed in her memory to the Negaunee Eagle's Club or U.P. Home Health and Hospice.

Mrs. Makinen's memorial page may be viewed at koskeyfuneral-home.com, where memories and condolences may be shared.



Courtesy photo

Duane Mattson — designated shopper for Charlotte Cook, the winner of the class of 2018's Grocery Grabber fundraiser — smiles as he rolls out of Jack's Fresh Market Tuesday morning with a cart of free groceries.

'Grocery Grabber' loads up during 90-second sweep

MANISTIQUE — Timed grocery contests are a mainstay in popular culture, and one lucky local resident was able to partake in one Tuesday.

Duane Mattson arrived at Jack's Fresh Market at 6:30 a.m. Tuesday morning to take part in the "Grocery Grabber", a recent fundraiser held by the class of 2018. Top prize in the raffle was a 90-second shopping spree at the grocery store.

When the winning tickets were drawn April 4, Charlotte Cook's name was selected as the "grocery grabber". Cook, on vacation and unable to participate in the

scheduled event, selected Mattson as her designated shopper.

After a brief overview of the rules, Mattson took off at 6:45 a.m. to grab as many groceries as possible to fill his cart.

Ninety seconds later, Mattson had grabbed \$621.36 worth of groceries.

Jack's took 25 percent off the final grocery total, enabling the class to retain more of the proceeds from the fundraiser.

Second place in the drawing was a \$100 Jack's Fresh Market gift card, won by Gary Weber Sr. Third place, a \$50 Jack's Fresh market gift card, was won by Kelly George.

Bay College seeks public feedback for evaluation

ESCANABA — Bay de Noc Community College is seeking comments from the public about the college in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. The college will host a visit Oct. 9-11, with a team representing the Higher Learning Commission.

Bay de Noc Community College has been accredited by HLC since 1976. The team will review the institution's ongoing ability to meet HLC's Criteria for Accreditation.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the college

to the following address:
Public Comment on Bay de Noc Community College
Higher Learning Commission
230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500
Chicago, IL 60604-1411

The public may also submit comments on HLC's website at www.hlcommission.org/ comment. Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing.

All comments must be received by Sept. 7.

News Brief

MSU Extension plans hoop house workshop

CHATHAM — The primary goal of The North Farm, a collaborative operation supported by Michigan State University Extension and Michigan State University AgBioResearch located in Chatham, is to support the growth of new farmers producing nutrient-rich food for Upper Peninsula markets.

The North Farm will be hosting an informal DIY hoop house basics workshop — building a few

12 feet x 50 feet field tunnels. The experience is for anyone interested in learning how to make an easy hoop house from scratch using readily available materials.

The workshop will be held April 21 at 1 p.m. at the North Farm, N5431 Rock River Road, Chatham. Bring gloves, water, and dress for the weather.

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MMHS honor roll list released

MANISTIQUE – Manistique Middle and High School recently released the honor roll for the third quarter of the 16-17 school year. Sixth grade all "A's" honor students were: Kylee Bushong, Elizabeth Chappell, Nora Cunningham, Clara Gilroy, Macy Green, Angela Johnson, Joshua Kozlowski, Madeline Maline, Grant Mason, Sarah McDaniel, Kelsey Muth, Carley Schoenow and Lorelei Vallier.

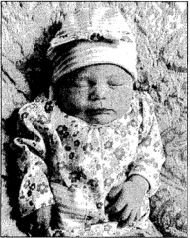
Sixth grade "A/B" honor students were: Mykaella Bouchard, Dustin Brewster, Jr., Annabel Burnham, Christian Carroll, Ava Hinkson, Jaden Krusic, Brandon Maki, Hope Mason, Carter Miller, Piper Morrison, Nicholas Thayer, Elizabeth Tosill, Austin Truitt, Jonathan VanDyck and Alex Ziemba.

Students on the seventh grade all "A's" honor roll were: Bryanna Clifton, Jaylyn Folcik, Avery Hubble, Mason Hurley, Jenna Jack, Logan Moon, Alyssa Myers, Kyla Partain, Alexis Phillips, Karah Renk, Jenaya Rivard and Andon Rodman.

Included on the seventh grade A/B honor roll were: Baylee Allor, Kelly Bergey, Hannah Brewster, Kelsey Cooper, Blake Espinoza,

Honor roll continued on A6

BIRTHS



Kuehl

ESCANABA, Mich. – Jason and Whitney (Lawrence) Kuehl of Escanaba, Mich., announce the birth of a baby girl, Everly Jae Kuehl, on Wednesday, March 1, 2017.

Everly was delivered at OSF St. Francis Hospital in Escanaba, weighing 8 pounds, 14 ounces. She was 19.5 inches in length.

She was welcomed home by big sister, Halle Mae.

Maternal grandparents are Bill and Roxanne Lawrence of Escanaba.

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Suited up for swim

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"Don't just pack it – wear your jacket!" is the lesson students in swim lessons and physical education classes learn as part of water safety instruction. More than 100 swimmers participated in the recent swim lessons sponsored by Manistique Area Schools and the American Red Cross. The life jackets were purchased for the pool earlier this year through a mini-grant from the Schoolcraft County Community Foundation to help educate students of the importance of wearing a life jacket in and around the water.

THE DINNER DIVA

BY LEANNE ELY

Today you'll learn a tip, a trick and you'll get a great recipe to try it out with. Neat, huh?

Today's focus is on: Poaching

Poaching is method of cooking that is perfect for bringing out the best in delicate foods such as eggs and fish. Some people expand that to include chicken and shellfish and even fruits, but I stop with the eggs and fish, personally. I adore poached salmon and am sharing a favorite recipe with you today.

And here's a Trick: To keep your poached foods submerged, press a sheet of parchment paper right onto the surface of the poaching liquid. Works great! Just make sure you use parchment, not wax paper, ugh! Guess how I know this?

And a Tip: To poach flawlessly, you will want to make sure your



Leanne Ely

liquid temperature is somewhere between 160 degrees and 170 degrees. To eyeball that temp, without having to resort to thermometers, look at the water (or wine or broth). The liquid should look like it is just about to break into a simmer, but not quite. Almost like it is ready to show some movement, but it hasn't quite yet. I know you know what I mean. That's poaching temperature.

Poached Salmon with a Creamy Horseradish Sauce

- Serves 6
- 6 cups water
 - 2 lemons, sliced
 - 2 carrots, sliced
 - 2 stalks celery, sliced
 - 6 (6-oz.) salmon steaks or fillets
 - 1/2 cup low fat mayonnaise
 - 1/2 cup low fat sour cream
 - 3 teaspoons prepared horseradish (not creamed)
 - 2 teaspoons lemon juice

2 green onions, chopped

Combine first four ingredients in large skillet; cover and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 10 minutes. Add salmon, cover, lower the heat some more and simmer another 10 minutes. Remove skillet from heat and let stand for eight minutes. Remove salmon to serving plate; set aside.

Creamy Horseradish Sauce: In a bowl, combine last five ingredients (mayo through green onions). Serve with salmon.

Leanne Ely is a NYT bestselling author and the creator of <http://ServingDinner.com>, the original menu planning website.

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Lifestyles Briefs

MHS selects commencement speaker for 2017

MANISTIQUE – Manistique Area Schools has announced the commencement speaker for this year's graduation.

Speaking at the 2017 ceremony will be 2009 Manistique High School graduate Colton Babladelis.

Babladelis is a 2014 graduate from the University of Michigan. He graduated with majors in Spanish literature, modern Greek, cultural anthropology, and environmental studies.

Since his graduation from the University of Michigan, he has worked at U of M for the Erb Institute for Global Sustainable Enterprise, a partnership between the Ross School of Business



Colton Babladelis

and the School of Natural Resources and Environment.

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He recently had his debut collection of poetry published, "Grains of Sand", by Winter Goose Publishing and is currently working on his second collection of poetry. "Grains of Sand" is written primarily about his travels through Greece, Central America, and the U.S., as well as love and a love for nature instilled by his time growing up in the UP.

He plans to continue working at the Erb Institute and begin his MBA studies in the fall of 2017.

Suicide intervention training set for April 20, 21

MANISTIQUE – Learn how to recognize, support, and link someone at risk of suicide with meaningful supports.

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training is a two-day intensive, interactive, and practice-dominated course designed to help professionals and lay persons recognize risk and learn how to intervene to prevent the immediate risk of suicide.

Training is normally \$125, but is being offered for \$20, due to funding from Communities for Suicide Prevention.

The course will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 20 and 21, at the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Conference Room 1 and 2. Lunch will be provided by the hospital.

To register contact (906) 286-4040 or email crystal@safe3c.com.

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Honor roll

Kevin Fischer, Jaily Hursh, Brandon Johnson, Alexander LaFayette, Jenna Lockhart, Kobic Petrich, Michael Ritter, Jr., Harmony Sledge, Brooke St. John and Lorraine Storie.

All "A's" honor roll students in the eighth grade were: Emlyn Braun, Nolan Chappell, Emily King, Kayla Muth, Brooke Richey, Rusty Schroeder, Lilly Stoll and Raya Twardokus.

Eighth grade "A/B" honor students were: Whitney Brock, Isabella Caplinger, Brooke Chase, Ava Fleck, Wyatt Gierke, David Gould, Ashton Hutchinson, Samuel MacKinnon, Kyle Rossier, Jordan St. John, Emma Swanson and Tristan Swanson.

Achieving a 4.0 or greater in the third quarter for the ninth grade were: Tiana Colegrove, Megan Espinoza, Mitchell Green, Emilee McDaniel, Patrick McNamara, Madison Schwartz and Katherine Troyer.

Students with a 3.5 or better were: Mark Block, Jenni Charter, Dale Gould, Payton Hoholik, Gerald Jack III, Erin LaBar, Emily Mattson, Lenna Smith and Sophia Ziemba.

Additional ninth grade honor students were: Brooke Barton, Ronald Beckman, Brittany Bellville, Corah Bergman, Tasha Howard, Emily May, Morgan Miller, Richard Parker, Brianna Puckett, Brendan Slater, Alyssa Syers, Courtney Syers and Ryan Taylor.

Tenth grade students achieving a 4.0 or better were: Katelyn Arnold, Catherine King, Joslyn Muth, Sydney Peterson and Logan Savage.

Tenth grade students with a 3.5 or better were: Abigail Burnham, Kendra Cournaya, Lauren Denney, Jessica DiPiazza, Darren Hicks, Alexis Hubble, Melanie Jones, Alexandra Lakosky, Kanton Lauzon, Lila McKinnon, Sydnee MacPhail, Jacob Maki and Alex Oas.

Other tenth grade honor students were: Bryce Allor, Brett Boyd, Madison Burton, Erica Carlson, Ashley McDonald, Tayla Moore, Cody Peterson, Kyle Renze and Heather Ullom.

Eleventh grade students receiving 4.0 or better in the third quarter were: Isaac Anderson, Emily Baker, Curtis Barr, Emma Bryant, Curtis Byrns, Keith Fischer, McKenna Gola, Madison Kraatz, Zachary Matchinski, Emily Norman, Tessa Powell, Samantha Rethman, Alexis Russell and Fiona Wing.

Students with a 3.5 or better in the eleventh grade were: China Collison, Ava Curran, Makayla Gonder, Bradley Haggerty, Brianna Henderson, Angela Heffer, Ashley Lindstrom, Marc McKinney, Renae Schueter, Kyle Seeley, Nicole Syers and Anna VanDyck.

Also on the eleventh grade

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honor roll were: Madison Berry, Erica LaBar, Anthony Lemaster, Lawrence Matos, Taylor Mattson, Molly Niedfeldt, Harry Norbotten, Abbi Popour, Jasmin Powell, Morgan Tryan and Levi Weber.

Achieving a 4.0 or better in the twelfth grade were: Krystal Anderson, Megan Annellin, Matthew Block, Chelsie Bosanic, Joshua Burk, Fryka Caplinger, Stephan Demeez, Jade Dibble, Kamryn Hoerz, Taylor Holmberg, Nicholas Lemaster, Logan MacPhail, Macy McBurney, Abigail Schwartz, Maysa Sherbinow, Caleb Swanson, Nathaniel Verheist and Brooke Whiskir.

Students with a 3.5 and above were: Calli Ansell, Nolan Armoek, Macala Beckman, Luis Berry III, Megan Boyd, Marissa Chase, Kelsey Dehanke, Allison Floyd, Mia Hyland Georgia Johnson, Natasha Joslin, Amanda Menonien, Lucas Morsnick, Darlene Nichols, Emma Norbotten, Brandon Parrish, Rachael Perry, Daniel Phillips, McKensie Reid, Jonathan Seeley, Lauren Smith and Kyle Taylor.

Also on the twelfth grade honor roll were: Taylor Bouchard, Joshua Burnis, Brandon Hampton, Colton Hoholik, Cassidy Krummich, Brendan McCaffrey, Lauren Page, Sabrina Powell, Colton Rice, Christopher Slater, Takoda Spears, Connor Watson and Cooper Wheaton.

We have some very good news to share! I recently found out that the Feeding America Food Truck will be returning to Manistiquie. We are looking at Wednesdays, April 26 and May 24. The distribution will be held from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m.

There have been some changes. First, let's start out with the location. Both distributions will be held at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital. Those who plan on attending need to go to the driveway past the hospital driveway (on the same side of the road). You will turn right.

We ask that you do the following, allowing us to make the delivery easy:

Do not come until 10 a.m. We really want the line to be long, especially on U.S. Highway 2. Please, please pay attention to this! We also need to allow for public transit to get through to pick up boxes for the homebound.

The next thing that we are asking of you is that you bring a sturdy 16x20 box, such as a banana or meat box. Why are we stressing the size? It is because several bring containers that are way too small. We are also asking that you do not bring personal carry items, such as totes, laundry baskets, etc., because we cannot promise that they will make it back to the correct car.

If you live in senior housing, public transit has offered to deliver your box at the cost of \$1 per box. You need to call public transit, as soon as possible, at 341-2111 to get signed up.

If you live in a single home dwelling, transit will deliver for \$2 per box. With having a bit more notice this time, we are fortunate enough to line up volunteers. And I am going to answer "yes" to the question if I am allowed to tip them. Several of the volunteers are from the alternative high school class and they do a fabulous job. We couldn't do it without these

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

By CONNIE FRENETTE

FEEDING AMERICA

students.

If you are able to volunteer for this service, please call the center at 341-5923 to be added to the list. We are especially in dire need of anyone that can lift heavy boxes! I sincerely, and I mean sincerely, wish to thank all the volunteers that have stepped up to the plate in the previous distributions. I feel honored to help those that need that little "boost".

I also want to thank Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital for providing the space, public transit for assisting in deliveries, the alternative high school students, the Pioneer Tribune and Advisor for spreading the word and the probate court and sheriff's office for sending assistance our way. Our town is the best when it comes to giving that helping hand. Doesn't it hit the spot when you have breakfast for dinner sometimes? Thanks to our volunteer chefs, we will once again be having a Pancake Supper in the place of the monthly potluck. This will be held on Thursday, April 20.

For a \$5 donation you will get to enjoy pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, American fries, sticky buns, orange juice and coffee. Entertainment will begin at 4 p.m. Dinner is served at 5 p.m. We sincerely wish to thank Darrell Dixon for volunteering his time to entertain. Please sign up as soon as possible, giving us an idea on what to purchase for groceries. Don't forget to invite a few friends!

The Cape Cod bus trip is filling fast. We are a little over half filled already. If you are interested in going, feel free to drop by for a brochure, or call 341-5923 for

further information.

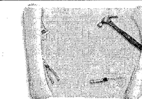
One quick reminder - the center offices will be closed on Friday, April 14 to observe Good Friday. CAA will be open as usual for their Noon Meal and home-delivered meals.

BRIDGE - April 7th: 1st-Audrey Savoie, 2nd- Judy Provo, 3rd- Doris Demers and 4th - Larry Savoie, CF - Patsy Calhoun. Hostess, Doris Demers.

BRIDGE: April 10th: 1st - Judy Provo, 2nd - Lois Hoholik and 3rd - Nancy Brown. Hostess: Pat Flint

500: April 7th: 1st- Arlene DeMers, 2nd- Peggy Beckman, 3rd-Ruth Jones, Should'a Stayed Home - Audrey Newbom.

Birthdays this week: 14th- Mary Lou Arnold, 15th-Jan Smith 16th-Donna Swayer, 17th - Sally Henry, 18th- Mildred Cameron and 19th - Margaret Taylor, Fred Hinkson and Carole Johnson. Happy Birthday wishes to all!



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Feeding America Food Truck planning return to Manistiquie April 26

MANISTIQUE-The Manistiquie Feeding America Mobile Food Truck will visit Manistiquie April 26 from 10 a.m. to noon. The location for pick up is the new Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital located at 7870W U.S. Highway 2.

Anyone residing in Schoolcraft County may bring a cardboard box to be filled with food - no questions asked. The distribution is set up drive-through style. All cars must enter on Southdown Drive, follow signs. All vehicles will be directed to SMH exits after pick up.

Residents may also have a box of food delivered to their door by calling Schoolcraft County Public Transit at 341-2111, at least 24 hours in advance. The cost for delivery is \$1 per box for a delivery to housing complexes and \$2 per box to residential homes.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact

Connie Frenette, Manistiquie Senior Center executive director, at 341-5923.

Feeding America is the nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization. They feed 46 million people at risk of hunger, including 12 million children and seven million seniors. In 2016, Feeding America West Michigan provided 24 million meals across 40 Michigan counties, which equates to an estimated 492,100 people each year. Locally, the 20,000 pound trucks help feed 400 households in Schoolcraft County monthly.

The Community Health Needs Assessment, conducted in 2016, identified objectives for Schoolcraft County and one of them included partnering with agencies and volunteers to improve access to food assistance. The Feeding America West Michigan

Mobile Truck has limited funds remaining for future visits. If you, or your business, is interested in sponsoring a food truck, please contact Sara Giles, SMH Marketing Coordinator, at 341-3293.

For more information about food assistance services in Schoolcraft County, contact Good Neighbor Services at 341-3927.

State employee retirees schedule May 1 meeting

ESCANABA - The State Employees Retirees Association Upper Peninsula Chapter No. 16 will hold its next meeting and luncheon May 1. The meeting will take place at noon in the Highland Golf Club, west of Escanaba.

This year's guest will be Employee Benefits Director Bethany Beauchine speaking on the Open prescription transition.

For reservations, call Frank Berres at (906) 786-2965 or Arlene Paulson at (906) 786-1799.

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Students to present Peter Pan Jr. Lawsuit progress

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MANISTIQUE — Disney's "Peter Pan Jr." is coming to the Manistique High School Auditorium and the public is invited. The three-day theater event takes place April 21-23.

Show times are 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and Sunday at 3 p.m. The musical is based on the play by J.M. Barrie and the 1953 Disney film. The high school cast and crew contains approximately 45 students.

Peter Pan Jr. is the story of the boy who wouldn't grow up and the girl who has to. After finding his shadow in the Darling family nursery, Peter teaches Wendy, Michael, and John how to fly and sweeps them off to Never Land, where they meet Lost Boys, mermaids, Indians and, of course, pirates.

If the children are ever to return home, Peter must defeat Captain Hook with the help of Tinker Bell and her fairy friends. Peter Pan



Courtesy photo

Drama students are shown rehearsing recently for Peter Pan Jr.

Jr. features classic songs from the 1953 film such as, "You Can Fly!" "Following the Leader", and "The Second Star to the Right" as well as songs from the Pirates of the Caribbean ride and the 2008

Disney film Tinker Bell. Performances are open to the public. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. Children under five may attend for free.

is also scheduled to take place in approximately 30 days.

"During that period in time, the TR0 (temporary restraining order) will be continued so that, in the event that something falls through — that this five-member panel cannot extradite the resolution ... we will be right back before this court," Vermetten said. "We are hopeful, of course, that will not happen."

He added that the individual former chamber board members named in the lawsuit were not included in the hearing and that they are not subject to the temporary restraining order.

Bruce E. Plackowski, attorney for the city of Manistique, noted that if the five-member panel cannot come to a resolution prior to the 30 days, the matter may be brought back before the court.

Judge Carmody pointed out that he will continue to make himself

available to the parties in the case.

"The court understands the sensitivity to the situation and the dynamics that are involved and that's why I'm pleased to hear that everybody has moved to address this matter in a timely fashion," he said. "We understand some of the consequences that may be out there."

In a statement released following the hearing, the plaintiffs, mBank and The Mustard Seed said: "We want to thank everyone for their support over the last several weeks as we have undertaken the legal process and court proceeding last week to challenge the city's actions in purchasing the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce building.

Litigation is something we certainly hoped to avoid given the settlement offers made over the last couple weeks to resolve this dispute by reimbursing the full

purchasing price back to the city of Manistique so that the local businesses could have a building of their own to operate out of once again.

We will continue to look for ways to accomplish this goal prior to engaging in a lengthy and expensive trial in an effort to put this dispute behind us all. The formal continuation of the Temporary Restraining Order and looking ahead to the facilitative mediation process proposed by the court were welcomed results for our overall cause in the legal proceedings last week. In continued efforts to move the county forward with a path for increased economic development and growth."

After a request from the Pioneer Tribune, Aldrich also released a statement, noting, "The city of Manistique is also more than willing to work towards a settlement to this issue."

Lawsuit exhibit

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last communication which may indicate that a quorum of the EDC may be in attendance at the Manistique City Council, I strongly suggest that you call an emergency meeting (which requires no notice) and dissolve the EDC board. I make the suggestion knowing full well your need to avoid controversy."

Jeffcott is referencing the March 13 regular meeting of the Manistique City Council — which was set to take place a day later. The meeting was the first regular meeting following the city's special meeting held March 7 — the meeting in which council members approved the purchase of the chamber building.

In her email, Jeffcott goes on to state, "We have forwarded Don Erickson's message to the Department of Public Safety ... I am troubled by Don's gratuitous remark about his smiling face inasmuch as I am sure that the Schoolcraft commissioners do not regard this as a smiling situation and the behavior of the group reflects on Schoolcraft County."

City council meetings are a meeting of an elected city council in public rather than public meetings. This is generally misunderstood in Manistique where the de facto way of operating lately is to try to achieve a desired result with disruptive behavior," Jeffcott continues. "While I expect that we can handle this situation, it is time for you to dissolve the EDC. A 65/35 millage loss in itself is reason enough."

When contacted by the Pioneer Tribune for comment regarding her

email, Jeffcott noted that the message was in response to the following email sent by Don Erickson, member of the EDC, to other members of the EDC:

"Tomorrow evening the Manistique City Council will be meeting at city hall at 7 p.m. It is crucial to our movement that the room is packed with concerned citizens disappointed with the city's recent actions regarding the Chamber building. Speaking from past experience, even if you are unwilling to speak, a room full of people is very nerve-wracking for a board, especially a board that has recently overstepped and misled the community. In addition, it has been pointed out that the more people who attend these meetings, the more knowledgeable and engaged they will be with what the city has been doing, largely void of any oversight. Again, I strongly urge each of you to find the time to attend tomorrow's city council meeting at 7 p.m., and as an added bonus you will see my smiling face there! Thank you!"

Jeffcott's email is referenced in the "Plaintiffs' Reply to Defendants City of Manistique and Sheila Aldrich's Motion to Dismiss Motion for Preliminary Injunction." Prefacing the email, the plaintiff's attorney Matthew D. Vermetten, claims the city had "no reasonable explanation" to reject offers made by mBank to the city to accept a refund of the purchase price of the chamber building and assets and resolve the matter without litigation. He then alleges that the city

"appears to have an agenda that involves seizing power and control while simultaneously dismantling all non-city managed entities."

Vermetten also claims that the city had other options, beside purchasing the chamber building, to handle incoming tourists — including purchasing other locations or offering information through city hall or online.

"The defendants knew of other alternatives to solve the chamber's financial issues, but completely suppressed them because they did not want the (Schoolcraft) Tourism and Commerce organization to operate out of the building," he stated. "The city mayor and defendant Sheila Aldrich ... engaged in persuasion to get the county board of commissioners to dissolve the EDC in an attempt to acquire its assets."

In the "Affirmative Defenses and Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction", city attorney Bruce E. Plackowski stated that the injunction would cause irreparable harm to the plaintiffs. He points out that the defendants have already taken possession of the building, changed the locks, placed the utility bills under the city's name, held meetings within the building, and opened the building for use as a visitor center. In addition, he stated that the defendants' use of the building from March 9-March 23, did not cause "any harm to the plaintiffs".

Plackowski goes on to claim that the defendants deny that the "building was obtained through nefarious and illegitimate means". He then al-

leges that the defendants will be the ones to suffer "irreparable harm", as the city is approaching tourist season, and the visitor center must remain open to prevent the residents and businesses of Manistique from "losing potential income".

The recent efforts by the city to both establish the area as a Michigan Scenic By-Way and a trailhead for the Iron Belle Trail would also be deterred by the preliminary injunction, Plackowski stated. He also contests the bank's claim that it was not going to foreclose on the chamber building and accuses Cindy King, of the Mustard Seed, of engaging in "blatant intimidating behavior".

Despite the defendants' efforts to dismiss the temporary restraining order, 11th Judicial Circuit Court Judge William W. Carmody left the order in place while mediation efforts take place (see related story).

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Drug Case

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\$25,000 fine. Following her waiver of the preliminary examination, Melinda was immediately arraigned in 11th Judicial Circuit Court. There, she entered a plea of guilty to count two. As part of Melinda's plea agreement, count one was dismissed. Her sentencing is scheduled for May 18 at 10 a.m.

James Thomas Terrian, 39, of 7952N Dawson Road, is facing three counts of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture, less than 50 grams, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine.

Additionally, Terrian is facing one count of controlled substance - delivery/manufacture, methamphetamine, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$25,000.

He remains lodged in the Schoolcraft County Jail on a \$200,000 surety bond set by Judge Luoma.

Brandon Lee Burt, 30, of 232 Maple Street, is facing one count of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture of marijuana, a felony punishable by up to four years in prison and/or a \$20,000 fine; one count of controlled substance - maintaining a drug house, a high court misdemeanor punishable by up to two years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine; and one count of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a

\$25,000 fine. Burt remains lodged in the Schoolcraft County Jail on a surety bond of \$5,000 set by Judge Luoma.

Darinda Lecann Brown, 26, of 232 Maple St., is facing one count of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture of marijuana, a felony punishable by up to four years in prison and/or a \$20,000 fine; and two counts of controlled substance - maintaining a drug house, a high court misdemeanor punishable by up to two years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine; and one count of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine.

Brown remains lodged in the Schoolcraft County Jail.

Scott Anthony Snyder, 53, of 707 Michigan Ave., is facing one count of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture, less than 50 grams, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine.

Snyder remains lodged in the Schoolcraft County Jail.

Laura Dawn Mclear, 50, of 4921W U.S. Highway 2, is facing one count of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture, less than 50 grams, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine.

Mclear posted 10 percent of her \$20,000 surety bond to be released from the Schoolcraft County Jail.

As we move into spring and warmer weather, seasonal construction swings into high gear. At Manistique Area Schools, thanks to the generous support of the community of our sinking funds, we have been able to make many improvements to our buildings over the years. This year will be another year of construction and remodeling that will improve the appearance and safety of our facilities for our students and the community.

Bids have gone out for this summer's sinking fund projects. One of the projects that has been selected for this summer includes gutting and updating the first floor restrooms (two men's restrooms and two women's restrooms) at the Middle High School building. Between athletic events, theater productions, meetings and activities in the Middle High School building, the main floor restrooms are used constantly

by the students and community. As this building ages, plumbing issues crop up and this project will not only provide the opportunity to upgrade the plumbing but also to improve the appearance of the restrooms with new floors, wall tile, sinks, counter tops, fixtures, and lighting. We are hopeful that these improvements will be appreciated by everyone who uses those facilities.

At Emerald Elementary we will be improving safety for students by making significant changes to the main driveway and parking lot. In the new configuration, cars entering the parking lot from Cattaraugus will be entering a one way driveway that will pass the front of the building and then make a 90 degree turn near the end of the building heading south toward the new exit on to Oak Street. There will no longer be parking along the front of the building as that area will be strictly for student

drop off. Parking will be relocated to what is currently the west section of the playground and the new exit of the driveway. Parking capacity will be increased from what it is currently and additional lighting will be added.

Two sections of the fence that currently enclose the playground will be relocated to define and contain the new playground space which will be shifted slightly to the east and north. The current basketball court will be relocated and enlarged to include hop-scotch and 4-square game spaces. All of the other playground equipment will remain undisturbed in its current location.

Input from the community in the past has indicated a great concern for student safety during the before school student drop times and we are happy that the engineers from IDI, working with the city of Manistique, have come up with this plan to

address those safety concerns. Reminders of the new traffic flow patterns and procedures for student drop off will be communicated in August and staff will be on hand the first week of school to help direct traffic, greet students, and answer questions.

Bids for the summer projects will be due in the Business Office at 1:30 p.m. on April 19. The architects and engineers from IDI will review the bids and come up with a recommendation based on the work being bid to the specifications presented and cost. There will be a special Board of Education on April 24, to approve the winning bid and allow construction to begin on June 12.

If you have any questions about the projects taking place this summer, please contact Maryann Boddy at (906) 286-2802 or stop in her office at MHS.

Women's Build

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and conducts how-to clinics at stores to teach volunteers construction skills so they can feel equipped to take part in the builds.

"Through our partnership with Habitat and support of National Women Build Week, Lowe's empowers women to get involved in their communities, learn construction skills and

make a meaningful impact," said James Frison, Lowe's director of community relations. "We're grateful to all the women in the Manistique area who will volunteer this week to help build and repair decent and affordable housing."

Lowe's donated nearly \$2 million to this year's National Women Build Week, including a \$5,000 store

gift card to HFH Hiawatha Land. Since 2003, Lowe's has committed more than \$63 million to Habitat's mission and helped more than 6,500 families improve their living conditions.

Habitat's first Women Build event was held in 1998. Since then,

all-women construction crews have helped build more than 2,500 homes in partnership with families.

For more information on Habitat for Humanity's Women Build program, visit Habitat.org/wb or call 341-7437.

Editor's Note: The following information is from Manistique Public Safety dispatch logbooks recorded at the time the calls were received.

Saturday, March 25, 2017 4:25 p.m. Suspicious situation, near Quarry

6:30 p.m. Escort detail, North Central Jets through Manistique

Sunday, March 26, 2017 3 a.m. Suicidal person, Lake Street

6:20 a.m. 911 outage, within city of Manistique

6:50 p.m. Citizen assist, Arbutus Avenue

7:15 p.m. Domestic, Cherry Street

Monday, March 27, 2017 12:30 a.m. Citizen assist, Elk Street

11:20 a.m. Blight, Intake Park Road

12:15 p.m. Suspicious situation, within city of Manistique

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 8:15 a.m. Elder Abuse, within city of Manistique

10:56 a.m. Suspicious situation, Cedar Street

11:40 a.m. Blight, Park Avenue

12:20 p.m. Blight, Cedar Street

12:50 p.m. Blight, within city of Manistique

1:35 p.m. Blight, Manistique Avenue

1:45 p.m. Careless driving, Manistique Avenue

5:30 p.m. Lockout, Cedar Street

Wednesday, March 29, 2017 8:45 a.m. Animal complaint, Pearl Street

9:39 a.m. Animal complaint, Chippewa Avenue

10:25 a.m. Lost keys, within city of Manistique

3:30 p.m. Suspicious situation, Saginaw Street

Thursday, March 30, 2017 6:20 a.m. Alarm, within city of Manistique

9 a.m. CPS investigation, within

city of Manistique

9:40 a.m. Blight, Manistique Avenue

11:15 a.m. Warrant arrest, Riverview Drive

3:55 p.m. Suspicious situation, US 2

4:05 p.m. Unwanted person, Cedar Street

6:18 p.m. Domestic, Manistique Avenue

6:58 p.m. Domestic dispute, Manistique Avenue

7:45 p.m. Suspicious situation, Lake Street

Friday, March 31, 2017 4 a.m. Assist, Manistique Avenue

1:08 p.m. Animal complaint, Chippewa Avenue

9:55 p.m. Possible breaking and entering, New Elm Street

Sunday, April 1, 2017 11:31 a.m. Department assist, within city of Manistique

11:50 a.m. Traffic hazard, Elk and First Street

3:25 p.m. Larceny, First Street

5:04 p.m. Illegal burn, Walnut Street

11:35 p.m. OWI, West Elk Street

Sunday, April 2, 2017 1:30 a.m. Be on the lookout for breaking and entering subject, within city of Manistique

4:40 a.m. Citizen assist, Steuben Street

5 a.m. Department assist, Chippewa Avenue

7 a.m. Animal complaint, Deer Street

4:49 p.m. Breaking and entering, Arbutus Avenue

7 p.m. Civil issue, Cedar Street

10:55 p.m. Well being check, Pearl Street

Monday, April 3, 2017 5:08 p.m. Phone scam, within city of Manistique

9:50 p.m. Open door, within city of Manistique

11:30 p.m. VCSA, Arbutus Avenue

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Sports Briefs

Wrestling tournament scheduled for April 22

MANISTIQUE — The Manistique Youth Wrestling organization will be holding their annual youth wrestling tournament April 22 in the Richard Bonifas Gymnasium at Manistique Middle and High School.

After weigh-ins, wrestling will start at approximately 10 a.m. There will be a lot of wrestling action on the mats throughout the day.

Organizers will also be presenting eighth grade Wrestler of the Year, team trophies and as well as individual medals.

A concession will be available as well as a raffle table and 50/50 drawing.

Annual Yooper Hooper set for this Saturday

MANISTIQUE — The 16th Annual "Yooper Hooper" will be held at Manistique High School on April 15.

The event will start at 8 a.m. on Saturday in the Richard Bonifas Gymnasium and ends when the last team finishes. All start and end times will be dependent on the number of teams competing.

Open to teams of three or four athletes, participants range from 10 and under through 36 plus.

First games announcements will be located under the Calendar and Community tab on the school website at www.manistiqueschools.org.

Further information is available by calling (906) 341-4300 extension 225.

Coming up in Sports

MANISTIQUE EMERALDS

Varsity Boys Basketball
Varsity Softball

Mon, April 17 vs. Westwood at HOME, 4 p.m.

Varsity Track
Wed, April 19 vs. Superior, Dome D-2 Meet at Marquette, 3:45 p.m.

Varsity Golf
Tues, April 18 vs. Big Bay/Norway at HOME, 4 p.m.

Wed, April 19 vs. Gladstone/Ishpeming at HOME, 4 p.m.

Thurs, April 20 vs. Menominee/Gladstone at Menominee, 4:30 p.m.

Varsity Golf
Tues, April 18 vs. Manistique/Norway at Manistique, 4 p.m.

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Local Scouts place 2nd at Annual Klondike Derby

RAPID RIVER — The Red Buck Sub-District Klondike Derby was held in January at the Head of the Grand Island Trail just north of Rapid River. Over 130 Scouts and Webelos, along with their adult leaders, took part in the annual outdoor fun.

The theme of this year's Derby was "Gold Rush Days". The Scouts and Webelos were challenged with events brought back from historic times in the Yukon. The official Derby patch this year was designed by Thomas Claycomb.

With eight events, for a total of 800 points available, the Eagle Patrol of Troop 473 Flat Rock took first place with 710 points. Troop 400 Lumberjacks from Manistique took second with 690. Third was secured by Troop 466 Frozen Frozones with 664.

Registration fee for the Derby was \$5 per scout plus two cans of soup. One can went for a donation to the Salvation Army food pantry and the other was for the "big" pot for lunch which was prepared and served by the Order of the Axe.

After the regular events of the day, scouts competed in the Annual Klondike Derby Sled Race. In this race the boys are the "dogs", pulling their sled across a snow covered opening with one of their patrol members riding.

First place in the sled race for Scouts was Troop 400 Lumberjacks and, for the Webelos, was Pack 402 Pirates, both from Manistique.



Courtesy photo

Earlier this year, Manistique Scouts, from Troop 400 Lumberjacks and Webelos Pack 402 Pirates participated in the annual Red Buck Sub-District Klondike Derby. Troop 400 Lumberjacks, pictured above, took first in the Klondike Derby Sled Race for Scouts, and also placed second overall in the derby. Below, Pack 402 Pirates placed second in the Klondike Derby Sled Race for the Webelos.



Carney-Nadeau 3-on-3 and 4-on-4 dates set

CARNEY-NADEAU — The Carney-Nadeau basketball program recently announced upcoming basketball tournaments.

The Carney-Nadeau 3-on-3 basketball tournament is set for April 29. The one-day tournament is open to students in grades 3-12.

Rosters are limited to four players per team. Boys and girls will play separately, with divisions set up by grade level: 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12.

Registration is \$50 per team. Dead-

line to register is April 22. Team captains will be called by April 27 with the time of their first tournament game.

The Carney-Nadeau 4-on-4 tournament is set for May 13. The event is a one-day tournament open to students in grades 3-12.

Rosters are limited to five players per team. Boys and girls will play separately, with divisions again set up by grade level: 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12.

Registration is \$60 per team.

Deadline to register is May 6. Team captains will be called by May 11 with the time of their first tournament game.

Checks for both tournaments should be made out to "Carney-Nadeau Basketball Program." Registrations should be sent to: Paul Polfus, 295 North U.S. 41, Carney, MI 49812.

For more information, contact Polfus at (906) 639-2866, (906) 639-2171, (906) 748-0184, or polfus@uplogon.com.

RRN to broadcast Norse basketball

ESCANABA — The Radio Results Network announced it has secured the rights to broadcast men's and women's basketball games for the Bay College Norse when the teams begin their inaugural seasons in November.

The broadcasts will be produced locally over both on-air and online platforms under a three-year contract agreement between RRN and the college. Brand new station Maverick 106.3 will serve as the flagship station for every men's and women's Norse basketball game, both home and away. The games will also be broadcast live on-line at www.rmsports.com.

There will be extensive coverage of Norse Men's and Women's Basketball on RRN's Sports.com after the game is over as

well, with recaps of each contest, as well as photos, audio clips, and video highlights.

Jack Hall will serve as the play-by-play voice of the Norse. Hall is a 1994 Northern Michigan University graduate who has been broadcasting high school and youth sports in Delta County for the past 23 years.

"I am excited to be a part of a brand new program," Hall said. "I am impressed with the work that's already been done to get these programs going, and am looking forward to helping to spread the word of Bay College Norse Athletics across the Upper Peninsula... and beyond!"

Manistique Emerald senior Darien Nichols signed a letter of commitment with Bay College in November 2016 to be a Norse for the upcoming 2017 season.

MHSAA is seeking 2017-18 Advisory Council members

EAST LANSING — The Michigan High School Athletic Association is seeking student-athletes to become members of its Student Advisory Council beginning with the 2017-18 school year.

Four boys and four girls from the Class of 2019 will be selected to two-year terms, and will meet on matters related to maintaining and promoting a proper perspective and sensible scope for high school sports in Michigan. Eight members from

the Class of 2018 already are serving on the Council, while eight members of the Class of 2017 are leaving the Council this spring.

To be eligible for the committee, candidates must be a member of the Class of 2019, complete the official application including answering the three short-answer questions, submit

Council continued on B2

U.P. Championship Rodeo announces 50th annual rodeo dates

IRON RIVER — The 50th Annual Upper Peninsula Championship Rodeo in Iron River will take place July 14 and 15. The event promises to be a weekend of fun for the entire family.

The U.P. Championship Rodeo will once again host Three Hills Rodeo, of Bernard, Iowa. Nationally recognized as one of the top stock contractors in the business, Three Hills brings to town some of the best bucking stock, as well as some of the best and brightest Great Lakes Circuit Rodeo athletes. Also re-

turning, bringing the rodeo play by play, is PRCA announcer Anthony Lucia.

As if three professional rodeo performances weren't enough, the weekend also includes the Wild West Parade, Miss U.P. Rodeo Queen and Princess Pageants, Team Penning, Windsor Rodeo Run, Friday Family Fun Day and Down Town Market Days.

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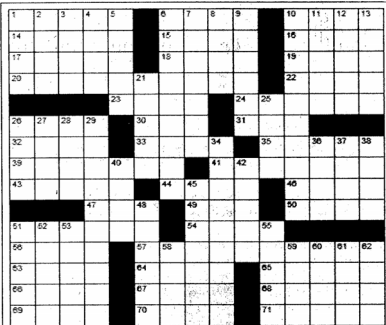
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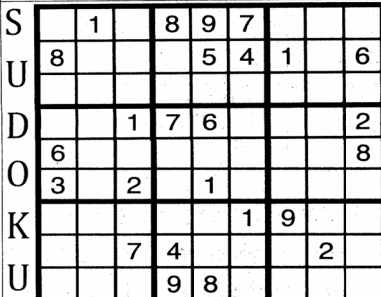
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| Adroit | Elects | Lumpy | Prods | Sheers | Vendor |
| Beets | Filtered | Moors | Proud | Spine | Vestment |
| Braises | Gangs | Moral | Radios | Sponsors | Wadded |
| Bread | Hastiest | Morons | Razing | Streamer | Weaken |
| Burner | Heard | Omission | Remove | Tooth | |
| Coarsen | Kudos | Onion | Salves | Turtle | |
| Codes | Label | Overs | Score | Tutor | |

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to music. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 10 = e)

A. **1 10 21 6 10**
Clue: Style

B. **21 16 18 10 5**
Clue: Tunes or pitches

C. **26 10 14 16 9 4**
Clue: Tune

D. **15 21 5 18 6 13 26 10 21 18**
Clue: Plays music

Council

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a letter of recommendation from a school administrator, have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) and be available for all scheduled meetings.

In addition, candidates should show a history of leadership on athletic teams as well as with other extracurricular activities, community service projects, or in the workplace; and show an understanding of the role of school sports and have ideas for promoting a proper perspective for educational athletics.

Applications are due in the MHSAA office by 4:30 p.m. on April 19. Applications can be downloaded from the computer or handwritten, and returned to the MHSAA office by e-mail, fax or any mail delivery service. The link to the MHSAA page is <https://www.mhsaa.com/Schools/Students/Student-Advisory-Council>.

The Student Advisory Council meets seven times each school year, and once more for a 24-hour leadership camp. In addition to assisting in the promotion of the educational value of interscholastic athletics, the Council discusses issues dealing with the four S's of educational athletics: scholarship,

sportsmanship, safety (including health and nutrition) and the sensible scope of athletic programs. Members contribute in planning Sportsmanship Summits, Captains Clinics and other student leadership events, and assist with medal ceremonies at MHSAA championship events. The Council also judges the "Battle of the Fans," which it created during the 2011-12 school year as a way to promote positive sportsmanship.

Newly-chosen members will join the following from the Class of 2018: Sydney Hanson, Alma; Jordan Trico, Ann Arbor Skyline; Danny deforest, Holland; West Otawa; Darby Dean, Lowell; Rachel Cummings, Mayville; Grace Reetz, Mount Pleasant Sacred Heart; Aaron Falmer, Owendale-Gagetown; and Hunter, Gandee, Temperance Bedford.

The eight new members of the Student Advisory Council will be notified by April 28. The 2017-18 meetings are tentatively scheduled for Aug. 27, Oct. 8, Dec. 3, Jan. 7, Feb. 11, April 22, and May 20. Meetings will take place at the MHSAA Office in East Lansing.

For more information, contact Andy Frushour at the MHSAA - (517) 332-5046 or afrushour@mhsaa.com.

Rodeo

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The Budweiser Clydesdales are also coming back to help celebrate the 50th. Several Budweiser Clydesdales meet and greets are scheduled, including an appearance at Angeli Foods July 12.

New to the schedule of events this year will be a post rodeo performance by Next Mye July 15 at the Upper Fairgrounds.

Rodeo performance tickets are on sale now at uprodeo.com. Purchase a weekend pass and save

\$15. There is also a limited supply of U.P. Rodeo Raffle Calendars available, and with weekly drawings to be held throughout 2017, there is plenty of money left to be won.

Visit uprodeo.com for more information, including sponsorship opportunities and vendor information. Check out the Facebook page and follow them on Twitter and Instagram for a chance to win free tickets.

Well, there has to be something wrong when you wake up at the ground covered with snow after the nice weather we have been having.

There sure has been some strange weather roll across the U.P. in the last few days. You would not believe all those that returned from spending the winter months down south in time to find out what they have been missing.

Not only was the snow a shock, but if you were up about 4:45 a.m. the other morning there was some real strange weather then too. It looked almost like strobe lights going off with the steady pattern of flashing lightning and rolling thunder. This was followed by a wind and driving rain that was so heavy you could not see the house next door. It was so weird it almost made one wonder what was coming next but luckily it only lasted a short time.

I guess we will just have to put it down as some strange U.P. spring weather.

Monday evening we had the annual Schoolcraft Soil Conservation banquet and it seems everybody had a great time with excellent food. It has always amazed me how so many of the local businesses are always willing to help out local organizations with gifts for door prizes. A lot of things we enjoy would not happen without their help. This year there were some outstanding donations made.

I say this to say that when you can

you should always support our local businesses because in many ways they are vital to so many things we enjoy in our small town.

When something like this banquet takes place in a small town like ours it can be almost like a family reunion because everyone seems to know everyone else. If you need a good laugh or two after a long winter you should make plans to attend next year's Schoolcraft Soil Conservation banquet.

The speaker was another of our local people from our paper mill and he did an excellent job both showing and telling us about the mill and how things are going with it. This business too is super important to our town in many ways. There are a lot of people that have a lot invested in our mill so each step forward they take is a big plus and it is so important that they keep open and offer jobs here in our town.

Just to give you an idea how much fun we had in the silent auction, there was a real nice deep bell 12-volt interstate battery one of the local businessmen had donated. Now I bid on it thinking I could use it at camp, but it was not really a life and death situation. On the other hand a man I know just had his go out on his fishing boat so with the fish getting better all the time he really needed it in a true life and death situation.

So I placed a couple of bids and it finally came down to the two of us.

2017 Co-ed Emerald Golf

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Tues	Apr. 18	Big Bay-Nor-Mstq. TRI	ILGC	4:00PM
Wed	Apr. 19	Glad-Ishp-Mstq. TRI	ILGC	4:00PM
Thurs	Apr. 20	Menominee & Gladstone TRI	Menominee	4:30PM
Mon	Apr. 24	Gladstone Scramble - BOYS	Gladstone	10:00AM
Tues	Apr. 25	Norway Invitational - BOYS	Norway	10:00AM
Fri	April 28	Gladstone Scramble - GIRLS	Gladstone	10:00AM
Mon	May 1	Gwinn-Mun-Mstq TRI	ILGC	4:00PM
Tues	May 2	Emerald 2-Girl Scramble	ILGC	10:00AM
Mon	May 8	West-Menom-Mstq TRI	ILGC	4:00PM
Tues	May 9	Negaunee Kiwanis Invite	Westwood	10:00AM
Tues	May 16	Munising Quad Meet	Munising	4:00PM
Fri	May 19	Munising Invitational	Munising	10:00AM
Mon	May 22	Escanaba High School	ILGC	4:00PM
Thurs	May 25	MPC Tournament	ILGC	10:00AM
Tues	May 30	Glad-St.Lg-Mstq TRI	ILGC	4:00PM
Fri	June 2	UP Finals	Marquette	TBA

2017 Co-ed Emerald Track and Field

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Wed	April 19	Superior Dome D-2 Meet	Marquette	3:45 PM
Tues	April 25	QUAD Iron Mountain	Iron Mt	4:45 PM
Fri	April 28	Kiwanis Invitational	HOME	4:00 PM
Tues	May 2	Munising Quad	Munising	4:00 PM
Thurs	May 4	Westwood Relays	Westwood	3:30 PM
Fri	May 5	St. Ignace Invitational	St. Ignace	3:45 PM
Tues	May 9	Manistique Invitational	HOME	4:00 PM
Fri	May 12	Munising Lions Meet (night)	Munising	6:30 PM
Fri	May 19	MHSAA Regionals	St. Ignace	2:00 PM
Thurs	May 25	Mid Pen Conference Meet	Iron Mt	4:00 PM
Sat	June 3	UP Finals	Kingsford	TBA

2017 Co-ed Big Bay de Noc Track and Field

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Fri	April 28	Kiwanis Invitational	Manistique	4:00 PM
Tues	May 2	Munising Quad	Munising	4:00 PM
Tues	May 9	Mid Pen Sm School Invite	Mid Pen	1:30 PM
Thurs	May 11	Rapids River Invitational	Rapids River	1:30 PM
Fri	May 12	Munising Lions Invitational	Munising	6:30 PM
Tues	May 16	Bark River	Bark River	TBA
Thurs	May 18	Regionals	Rapids River	1:30 PM
Tues	May 23	SC Conference Meet	Rapids River	1:30 PM
Sat	June 3	UP Finals	Kingsford	TBA

FISH REPORT

BY RET. SGT. JOHN WALKER

He would bid say \$35 and I would sneak up and bid \$35.50. The people at his table were watching when I did this so he would come back up and outbid me so I would once again raise it 50 cents. In a last ditch effort, he came up and increased my bid by \$1 and then came over to our table and sat on my lap so I couldn't get up and bid again. There were many good laughs at this banquet and we all had a great time.

The fishing action down at the river has been picking up as the spring fish runs are improving. There are also a good number of boats trying their luck on some of the inland lakes and all spring fishermen are keeping an eye on the action down at Garden.

The best spring fishing can be in just a short window of time, so a fisherman has to keep on top of things before all you hear are those famous words, "You should have been here yesterday when they were really hitting."

Unless things really change in a hurry, it will be another spring with not much of a smelt run. I would hate to have to sit down and figure how many years it has been since we had a great smelt run up here.

In speaking of fishing, remember before you go out, it is that time of year when you need to stop and pick up a new fishing license.

There is always a lot going on up here in the spring of the year and so many things to get done before the bugs decide to come out and feast on those of us that love the great outdoors. If things go right this spring going into summer, I could get those things done that were on my 2015 to do list. But if you add in my age, being this close to getting caught up is really pretty good.

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Nests in your yard? Follow these tips

News Briefs

LANSING — Michigan residents may get a surprise this spring in their gardens, flower boxes or even in the landscaping by their office buildings. Bird nests can be found in some unusual locations.

Ducks nests, particularly mallard nests, seem to appear just about everywhere in the spring. Female mallards often build nests in landscaping, gardens or other locations that people may consider inappropriate. While finding a duck's nest in an unexpected location may be a surprise, there is no need for concern.

"She will be a very quiet neighbor, and with her cryptic coloration she may go largely unnoticed," said Holly Vaughn, Department of Natural Resources wildlife communications coordinator. "Leave the duck alone and try to keep dogs, cats and children away from the nest."

If she is successful and her eggs hatch, the mother duck will lead her ducklings to the nearest body of water, often the day they hatch.

"Don't worry if you do not live near water, the mother duck knows where to take her ducklings to find it," said Vaughn.

The female mallard will sit on the nest for about a month prior to the eggs hatching. If the nest fails on its own — something that happens regularly — Vaughn advises to just wish her luck on her next attempt.

Canada geese sometimes build nests near houses or in parks, often near water. Similar to mallards, Canada geese will lead their young to water soon after they hatch. Adult geese can be quite protective of their



Goslings are a common sight in Michigan in the spring.

Photo courtesy DNR

nests and their goslings and may chase people or pets away by hissing and running or flying toward the intruder. If possible, try to avoid the area. If this is not possible, carry an umbrella and gently scare the bird away.

Those fortunate enough to have a bird's nest built in their yard, in a tree or on the ground may have noticed that the baby birds are starting to outgrow their nests. Baby birds learn to fly through trial and error. They may feel they are ready to fly, but their flight feathers might not have fully grown in yet. It is common to find baby birds on the ground after an attempt to fly. If this is the case, please do not touch them. Their parents will continue to take care of them, even when they are on the ground.

Touching a baby bird will not cause the adults to abandon it; however, if you move a baby bird, the parents may be unable to find and care for it. It is better to leave the baby bird alone to be raised by its parents.

In the event that you find a chick on the ground that is sparsely feathered, it may have accidentally fallen from the nest before it is ready to fledge (learn to fly). If you know where the nest is, you can put the chick back in the nest only if you can do so safely.

Migratory birds, their nests and their eggs are protected by the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act and must be left alone. Unless you have a license, taking a baby bird or eggs from the wild is breaking the law.

Only licensed wildlife rehabilitators may possess abandoned or injured wildlife. Unless a person is licensed, it is illegal to possess a live wild animal, including birds, in Michigan.

The only time a baby animal may be removed from the wild is when it is obvious the parent is dead or the animal is injured. A licensed rehabilitator must be contacted before removing an animal from the wild. Rehabilitators must adhere to the law, must have gone through training on proper handling of injured or abandoned wild animals, and will work to return the animal to the wild, where it will have the best chance for survival.

A list of licensed rehabilitators can be at mit.gov/wildlife or by calling a local DNR office.

New fishing season, regulations started April 1

LANSING — The Michigan Department of Natural Resources reminds anglers that a new fishing season began April 1, which coincided with the new regulation cycle: 2016 licenses were good only through March 31, 2017.

Five options are available when making a purchase. All fishing licenses are good for all species.
Resident Annual - \$26
Non-Resident Annual - \$76
Senior Annual (for residents age 65 or older) - \$11
24-Hour (resident or non-resident) - \$10
72-Hour (resident or non-resident) - \$30

A temporary 10-percent discount on non-resident annual licenses enacted two years ago has expired, returning that license to its original cost of \$76.

Those targeting lake sturgeon and/or muskellunge also will need to obtain free fishing and harvest tags from their local license retailer.

When anglers purchase licenses at retail stores, they often receive copies of the current Michigan Fishing Guide. For those making the purchase in 2017, they should consider visiting michigan.gov/fishingguide to see the latest version. The online guide includes any regulation changes made since its February 2016 printing, ensuring those who fish are aware of the current rules.

Residents and non-residents

also can purchase the Hunt/Fish combo license for \$76 and \$266, respectively, which consists of a base license, annual fishing license and two deer tags. There also is a Hunt/Fish combo license available to senior residents for \$43. A base license is not required when purchasing just a fishing license.

Michigan's fishing licenses generate revenue that is invested into the state's fisheries, including providing greater access to world-class fishing opportunities, improving fisheries habitat in inland lakes and streams, and increasing the health and quantity of fish stocked in the state.

The DNR Fisheries Division depends primarily on angler dollars (through license sales and federal excise tax dollars for fishing tackle) to manage the state's fisheries. Buying a fishing license, even if you do not plan to fish, can make a big difference to the future health of Michigan's prized freshwaters.

There are two simple ways to purchase fishing licenses in Michigan:

Visit your local license retailer or DNR Customer Service Center and make a purchase in person.

Use the E-License system to buy a license online 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Just visit michigan.gov/licenses on your computer, smartphone or tablet to get started.

For more information on fishing in Michigan, visit michigan.gov/fishing.

DNR sets dates for free ORV weekends

LANSING — The Michigan Department of Natural Resources invites residents and out-of-state visitors to ride DNR-designated routes and trails during two Free ORV Weekends, taking place June 10-11 and Aug. 19-20. Off-road enthusiasts will not need to possess an ORV license or trail permit on these dates, saving riders up to \$36.25.

This opportunity is a great way for ORV enthusiasts to explore Michigan's vast system of 3,660 miles of trails and consider purchasing an ORV license or trail permit for the season. Throughout the year, fees generated through ORV licenses and trail permits

are reinvested back into the ORV system.

These important dollars help fund trail expansion, maintenance and infrastructure improvements, such as bridge and culvert construction and repair, as well as law enforcement and the offsetting of damage.

"We hope ORV enthusiasts will enjoy their off-road experience during Free ORV Weekend and purchase an ORV license and trail permit for the season," said Ron Olson, chief of the DNR Parks and Recreation Division. "It's the perfect opportunity to explore the trails that help build Michigan's reputation as the 'Trails State.'"

In addition, the first Free ORV

Weekend also jines up with the Summer Free Fishing Weekend June 10-11, when all fishing license fees will be waived. Residents and out-of-state visitors can enjoy fishing on both inland and Great Lakes' waters for all species of fish. All fishing regulations still apply.

Free ORV Weekend not only offers access to 3,660 miles of off-road trails, but also includes use of the state's five scramble areas, including St. Helen's Motorsport Area, Black Lake Scramble Area, Silver Lake State Park, Bull Gap and The Mounds.

During Free ORV Weekends, all ORV rules and laws still apply. Riders should remember that

Operators under age 16 must have a valid safety training certificate. Michigan will accept ORV/ATV education certifications that are issued by other states and provinces.

Operators and passengers must wear a U.S. Department of Transportation-approved crash helmet and protective eyewear.

Riders are encouraged to become familiar with the ORV Handbook of Michigan Off-Road Vehicle Laws, available online, at DNR Customer Service Centers or anywhere hunting and fishing licenses are sold.

For more information, contact Jessica Holley at 517-331-3790 or Rob Katona at (906) 228-6561.

MSU Extension now offering soil testing kits

MANISTIQUE — Home lawn and garden soil test kits are now available at the Schoolcraft County MSU Extension office, located at 100 N. Cedar St. The kits include everything needed to send a soil sample from residents' lawns or gardens to the MSU Soil and Plant Nutrient Lab for testing.

Residents will then receive an email response with personalized recommendations to help grow

beautiful, healthy plants and protect the environment. Each kit costs \$26 and includes a pre-paid mailer for submitting a sample.

Kits may also be ordered for farm, landscape, lawn maintenance, nursery, athletic field, and other commercial operations or those who wish to test soil for wildlife plots. Office hours are generally 8 a.m.-4 p.m., but residents are asked to call ahead at (906) 286-3327.

Trails association to host membership meeting

MANISTIQUE — The Schoolcraft County Motorized Trails Association membership meeting will be held April 20. The meeting begins at 7 p.m.

Area library celebrating National Library Week

MANISTIQUE — The Manistique School and Public Library is celebrating National Library Week.

The annual week takes place now through April 14. Patrons are encouraged to stop in, sign up for a raffle and help the library celebrate.

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