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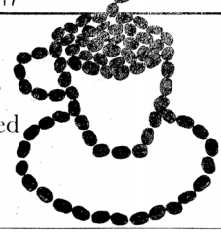


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**News Briefs**

**Trial date set for area man accused of kidnap, assault**

MANISTIQUE — A man accused of kidnapping an area woman has been scheduled to appear at trial in the United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan — Marquette.

Eric Scott Ruska, 37, is charged with two counts of kidnapping and one count of aggravated sexual abuse. The incident began July 9, when Ruska allegedly lured his victim in under the guise of a fishing trip on Chicago Lake in Delta County.

While on the boat, investigators say Ruska announced his intention to kidnap the victim and then traveled to locations throughout the central and eastern Upper Peninsula with the victim restrained.

At approximately 4:25 a.m. July 13, Ruska and the victim were located at the Shell Gas Station in the city of Munising, Upon observing Ruska's vehicle, a 2006 Chevrolet Colorado pick-up truck, Michigan State Police troopers approached and made contact with Ruska and the victim.

Ruska was then taken into custody. He stood mute during his arraignment Aug. 21.

Ruska is set to appear for a jury trial Oct. 24 at 9:30 a.m. The deadline for any plea agreement is Oct. 21.

**Manistique man arraigned in higher court for felonies**

MANISTIQUE — A Manistique man has been arraigned in a higher court for charges related to an alleged home invasion and assaults.

Jordan Thomas Ramey, 19, of 222 New Delta Ave., stood mute during his arraignment in the 11th Judicial Circuit Court Sept. 1. He was arraigned on one count of home invasion — first degree, with intent to assault in the dwelling, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$5,000; and two counts of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$5,000.

Prior to Ramey's arraignment, his preliminary examination in 93rd District Court was waived, and he was subsequently bound over to the 11th Circuit.

His bond is currently set at \$50,000 cash or surety, with conditions stipulating that he not have contact with either of the alleged victims involved.

Ramey will appear for a pre-trial Sept. 21 at 10 a.m.

The incident allegedly occurred Aug. 8.

## County considering regional jail

**Board, stakeholders begin looking into jail feasibility**

MANISTIQUE — The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners, along with a group of stakeholders, is exploring the possibility of constructing or establishing a regional jail facility. The possibility was discussed during meetings held in August.

The topic was first brought up during the regular commission meeting Aug. 10. Commissioner Craig Reiter explained during the reports and communications portion of the meeting that he had been

working to explore the possibility of creating a regional jail in Manistique that would not only serve to house regular inmates, but also inmates with mental health needs and/or persons in need of a psychiatric evaluation.

"I've been looking into the ability for us to get some type of state grant for a regional jail that is equipped for two things — one would be for mental health ... and also, a part of it would be what the state is calling a 'drop-off center,'" Reiter explained. "What's happening in our state is we don't have a lot of beds for psychiatric care. When somebody is diagnosed and needs a 72-hour evaluation, they need to go to a state-approved psychiatric place

where they can get that evaluation and go from there."

Reiter pointed out that a persistent problem is that if the psychiatric patients are in the emergency room at the time an evaluation is ordered, they have to stay at that hospital until beds in a psychiatric facility become available. He noted that some patients have waited up to eight days in the local hospital before a bed opened up at an appropriate facility.

"It really is handicapping the hospitals — it's handicapping the sheriff's departments," Reiter said. "They need some safe place that is medically approved and where they're going to get pre-care ... as they're waiting for a bed to open."

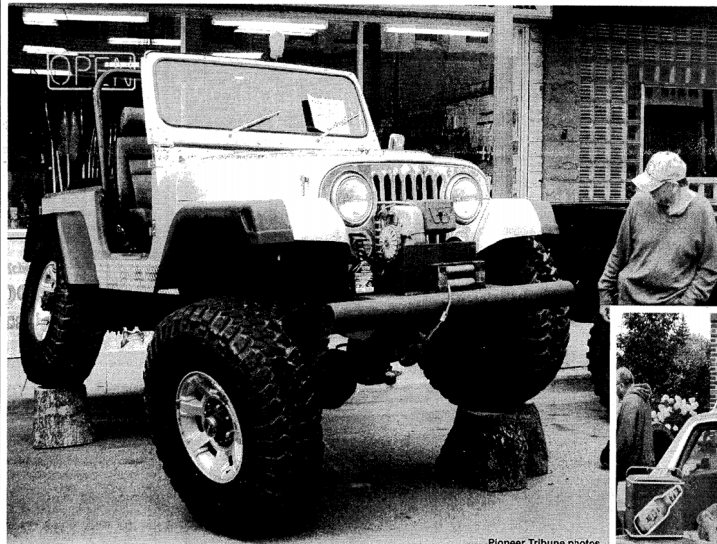
He noted that the county would be applying for the grant from a fund which currently has approximately \$8.6 million available.

"This would be people who are not incarcerated, they are just ordered to have a 72-hour evaluation and need to sit somewhere safe until they can start that," Reiter explained.

According to Reiter, the program would be run by the hospital in conjunction with the sheriff's department.

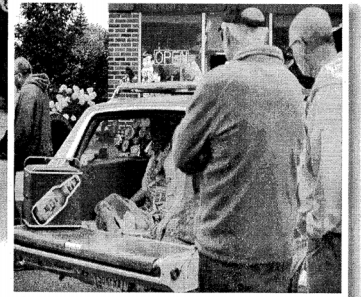
"They want something here in the U.P.

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Despite high winds and cool temperatures, the annual Manistique Merchants Association's Car Show welcomed plenty of residents and visitors wanting to scope out all types of vehicles ranging from classic cars to newer powerhouses. Above, one man admires the abilities of a Jeep on display atop two tree stumps. At right, two men eye up the unique display inside a newer "classic" car, which included a zombie-esque man.

**CARS  
JEEPS  
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OTHER**



**Upcoming Events**

**Sept. 9** — Doyle Township Volunteer Fire Department Open House, Doyle Township Fire Hall, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Sept. 16** — Manistique Farmers' Market, Little Bear West Arena, 4-6 p.m.

**Oct. 7** — Eva Burrell Animal Shelter Fall Family Fun Festival and Craft Fair, Manistique VFW Hall, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Oct. 6** — Schoolcraft County Resource Fair, First Baptist Church

**Oct. 14** — Schoolcraft County Community Health Fair, Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

## Emerald sees change in pick-up/drop-off procedure

**Principal details new plan for parents, busses at open house**

MANISTIQUE — Before heading back to school Tuesday, students and parents of Emerald Elementary spent part of their open house late last week learning about changes to the drop-off and pick-up procedures. The changes were presented by Manistique Area Schools Superintendent and Emerald Elementary Principal Maryann Boddy.

Rob Ryan, the Manistique Middle and High School dean of students and the district transportation director, athletic director, and now, the part-time principal of Emerald Elementary (from 1:30-3:18 p.m. each day), was also on hand during the presentation.

"I understand change is hard," Boddy said. "That things have been happening a certain way

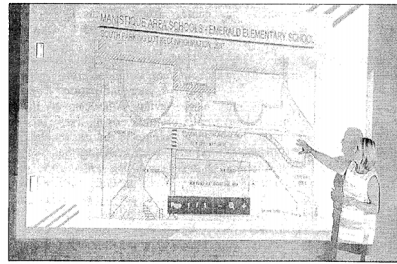
for a long time — you're used to that, you're comfortable in that routine and I'm asking you to do something that's outside of your comfort zone."

She added that the reason for making the changes was primarily student safety.

"Hopefully we can all make this change together and cooperate so that we can have a successful, new procedure that's going to work for everyone," Boddy explained. "And we all need to cooperate and be on the same page to make it happen."

She noted that the PowerPoint presentation she was about to give had been presented to Emerald staff earlier that day.

"We talked through a few things and we're all on board," she added. "So when I say 'all of us' that's everyone from the ladies who work in kitchen, all the education assistants, teachers, secretar-



Pioneer Tribune photo  
Maryann Boddy, Emerald Elementary principal, gives a PowerPoint presentation to parents and students during the Open House last week.

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## Cars ... and crafts

In conjunction with the annual Manistique Merchants Association's Car Show Saturday, a craft fair also took place in Triangle Park. Each year, the fair is organized by Dan Barber, who donates the proceeds from table rentals to the Schoolcraft County DARE program. The Drug Abuse Resistance Education program is run locally by Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department Deputy Dianna Herik and focuses on teaching area students about the dangers of drugs, violence, bullying, the internet, and other high risk circumstances. Above, attendees peruse the many offerings of the craft fair despite windy weather conditions.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Dear Editor,**  
I keep hearing that Democrats need to stand for something not just against Donald J. Trump. Well I disagree with that statement, standing against a man who condones and advocates for such things as sexual abuse of women, disbands the clean air and water act, and fuel mileage, ask a foreign government to interfere with our Democracy, refuses to release his taxes, advocates for racial profiling, appoints a judge who wants to overturn "Roe vs Wade", declare you unfit to serve in the military totally based on your gender to name a few.

Well, in my opinion, that is standing for plenty. If you as a person, party or organization are willing to stand up to defend any principle, that is standing for something. Saying that Democrats only stand against one man is big money keeping a very complex conversation very small. I am not one who buys into this small conversation as opposed to looking at what that actually means. I stand against Trump for many reasons, none less than he is unqualified, proven to be unfit and is a pathological liar and his bigoted statements have divided this country even more than it was. Trump is incapable of

leading our nation, he has proven that with his continued taunting of those who stand or speak out against him. His followers are just that, followers. He has the lowest approval rating of any modern president at this time of their presidency. His supporters are dropping, however, his "followers" are and will continue to follow. Not following a man who incapable of leading is standing for something not against the person. Trump has been the least effective and proven to have told the most lies of any modern president in this short time.

No money for his wall from Mexico, no repeal of the ACA, no Clinton behind bars, no tax return has been seen or released. Completely lied about no one from his campaign contacting Russia, or his ties to Russia or money dealing with Russia. There has been no better deal for the average American. America is not winning and neither are its citizens. Democrats stand for plenty and most of it can be seen by simply looking at what Trump stands for and realize that as a Democrat I do not stand for that.

**William L. Anderson**  
Cooks

## VANTAGE POINT

BY DANIEL J. PAUL

Throughout the course of the past week, we witnessed the survivors of Hurricane Harvey verbally pondering what the night would bring with torrential rains and historic flooding. Simultaneously, the television cameras panned across the victims. Etched into their faces were anguish, tears, suffering, and pain. Many had watched the water continually rise, flood their homes, and devastate their lives. Throughout all of this, large numbers turned to prayer, asking God for help. Help came in many forms and faces, similar to the civilian fishing boats and pleasure craft that crossed the English Channel to evacuate the British Expeditionary Force, French troops, and other Allied soldiers, from the beaches at Dunkirk, France, to safety in England during World War II. Today, this evacuation/rescue came not from war, as at Dunkirk, but as a "war" against the horrific ravages that nature can inflict. This devastation was hurled into Texas and surrounding coastal areas, flooding towns and cities with many feet of rain. People lost homes, jobs, and lives. Against this backdrop, our help came from the armed forces, police, search and rescue, firefighters, healthcare workers, and volunteers.

Above it all, we bore witness to an armada of tiny fishing boats, kayaks, canoes, and whatever else could float. Hearing this cry for help, these volunteers from all walks of life (men, women, and teens) came from Texas and beyond to rescue people. These rescuers did not care about race, color, or creed; rich, poor, or party affiliation. They were saving Americans at the risk of their own lives (and some volunteers did die for their efforts), even knowing that their boats were filling with torrential rain. What greater sacrifice is there than to put one's own life at risk for another human being? As this was unfolding, I found myself cheering for all of these volunteers. This is what America is all about. We watched these heroes come together for one great cause - because nothing else mattered to them but to save lives! Sadly, we are caught up in many petty issues that divide us, both politically and socially. We should learn from this example of the Texan armada of small boats and volunteers. Boiling it down, they showed the world their love for their fellow

man. All who helped are America's heroes! It is for us who have not physically participated in giving aid to assist in other ways. This can be done through many relief agencies. Check with responsible agencies and find out how you can help, because the flood victims will need our support for years to come. Keep the flood victims and volunteers in your prayers, for today, months, and years to follow. We are all Texan-Americans!



Daniel J. Paul

(This article will segue into my next article pertaining to small, local government agencies working in concert to make communities a better place to live.)

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## News Brief

### Manistique Amity Group will hold meeting, presentation September 13

MANISTIQUE—The Manistique Amity Group will meet at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 13 at the Presbyterian Church in Manistique. Attendees will hear Linda Cota speak about the benefits of essential oils. If interested in the Amity Group, call 341-5081.

## OPINION

Over the years, U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development's funding has served as a lifeline for rural communities, providing critical funding for water and wastewater infrastructure, public and community buildings, and essential community service facilities. Without these grants and loans, many small communities would have to put off infrastructure or facility projects. When necessary projects are delayed, the quality of life in a small town is impacted, along with its economic prospects. Rural Development seeks out communities that most need assistance, helping officials fill resource gaps and address quality of life challenges. Eligible communities must have been turned down for conventional financing and have fewer than 20,000 residents. Recently, Oakdale, Neb., was able to leverage Rural Development funding to assist with a water improvement project. The village of 322 residents received nearly half the project cost. Oakdale got a new groundwater

supply well, replaced water mains, and installed new water meters. With the completion of the upgrade, the community was able to address a significant water loss issue while modernizing the water system. These repairs and upgrades provide water and cost savings for residents. For many communities like Oakdale, a project totaling more than a half million dollars would be out of reach through traditional

funding sources. Without these opportunities, a heavy burden would be placed on rural communities with declining populations, lower-income residents, and fixed-income seniors. Property values would decline and infrastructure needs would be unfulfilled.

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## The Archives

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### 50 Years Ago September 7, 1967

• Because room enrollment is limited to 40 pupils, St. Francis de Sales School opened Tuesday morning with a capacity enrollment, which at the same time is the largest enrollment in many years. An entirely new faculty, with one exception, was on hand to greet the pupils. The opening session began with the Mass in honor of the Holy Spirit, offered for the students and faculty on Tuesday, by the pastor, Msgr. F.M. Scherger. The faculty is as follows: First grade, Sarah Bignall; second grade, Sr. M. Cordell; third grade, Noreen McLaughlin; fourth grade, Sr. Mary Peter; fifth grade, Richard Stolt; sixth grade, Sr. Mary Zoe; seventh grade, Sr. M. Marela; eighth grade, Sr. M. Marcelyn and Doris Van Eyck. Sr. Marcelyn is the principal and will spend mornings teaching the eighth grade, while her afternoon will be spent in supervision. Mrs. Van Eyck is the afternoon teacher for the eighth grade. Sr. Mary Ralph is in charge of the music department, while Sr. Judith Ann is the homemaker. The hot lunch program will begin Sept. 11 and will be in charge of Irene McManus and Mary Sedan. The St. Francis de Sales board of education is in charge of policy in the school as well as the financial administration. • Seven new teachers have joined the staff of the Manistique Area Schools this year. Rev. Richard Hooker will be the visiting teacher, as well as pastor for the Cooks Congregational Church. Faye Anderson of Manistique has been hired to teach the fifth grade at Fairview. She has previously taught at Engadine, Germfask and Cooks. Ronald J. Baldini, a student teacher here last year, has returned to teach in the commercial department of the high school. Peter Derber of Gulliver, has been assigned to teach high school English and U.S. History. Miss Arlene Godanier has been hired to teach vocal music for elementary and high school. Bette Jean Handt, a native of Cooks, has been assigned to the first grade at Lakeside School. Norman Jahn, Jr. will be teaching U.S. History and high school physical education. The father of three sons, Mr. Jahn taught at Cooks from 1959 to 1967. • Manistique State Police Troopers reported the happy close of a missing person case last week. William Lutz, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fritbur L. Lutz of Barrington, Ill., was reported missing by his father at 11 p.m. Aug. 29 from the Indian Lake State Park, where the family was camping. Officers joined in the search and Trooper German, with his dog also assisted. At 5:10 p.m. Aug. 30 the totally dead boy was brought into the State Police post by Jack Karol of Battle Creek, who had found the boy walking on the Little Harbor Road.

### 35 Years Ago September 9, 1982

• Fate of the county's public transit system is still up in the air despite agreement by the County Board Tuesday night to sign another one-year contract with the state to provide the service. Even with the agreement, it is not clear whether the dial-a-ride minibus service will continue after the Sept. 14 expiration date of the current contract. With a budget for the state's next fiscal year yet to be hammered out, nobody knows whether the state will live up to its commitment to fund 75 percent of the system's \$201,000 1982-83 budget. • Start scratching around in the dirt and there is no telling what will turn up. Indian artifacts have been found at the Bishop Baraga Park on Indian Lake, some of which may date back as far as 2,000 years. Concern that development planned for the site might ruin its archeological value has prompted an archeologist to ask the county to limit earthmoving activities that may disturb any remaining artifacts. Don Henson, local artist and archeology buff, noticed early last month that bulldozing at the park to clear the way for a picnic area and historical exhibits had stripped a layer of topsoil away from part of the park. Henson had found other artifacts at the old Indian burial ground located in the park and started scratching around in the newly cleared area. He found such a density of stone fragments, glass shards and other signs of human habitation he decided to ask a professional archeologist he knew to take a look. • The 1982 Emeralds varsity football squad includes: Bob Mattson, Tom Cooper, Don Quinn, Denny McBurney, Mike Provo, George Bosanic, Rick Tallberg, Mike Hinkson, Dean Boli, Steve Calhoun, Carl Hubble, Kurt Troyer, Mike Gronback, Steve Collingwood, Mike Godlewski, Tom Burris, Troy Farley, Doug Mickelson, Corey Miller, Mike Archer, Jamie Hyder, Kevin Anderson, Scott Tyler, Jeff Zellar, John Peterson, Mark Hoholik, Larry Leny, Tim Henry, Dan Lemirand, Jeff Erickson and Kevin Johnson. Managers are Nick Hoholik and Phil Berger. Coach is Jim Hunter and assisting him is Mike Groth.

### 20 Years Ago September 11, 1997

• The final member of the recently reformed Manistique Recreation Commission was appointed Monday, Sept. 8, by Mayor John Stewart. Stewart selected former Manistique High School athletic director Diane Sliniac to become the sixth recreation commissioner. Stewart appointed Sally Gerometta, Rick Demers, Jon Nagy, Dr. Robert Hill and Dr. Edward Klump to the panel at the Aug. 25 council meeting. • Board of Directors member Ken Rehn sold fellow board member Ken Groh the first ticket in the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce Packers/Lions game raffle. The prize includes two tickets to the Nov. 2 game, Sunday night football and a fallgait party. Only 500 tickets will be sold for the raffle, with drawing scheduled for 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24, at the chamber office on U.S. 2. • Michigan law enforcement personnel, correctional facility personnel and other volunteers will pass through Manistique Sunday, Sept. 14, as part of this year's Michigan Law Enforcement Torch Run. The event, which raises money for Michigan Special Olympics, features a non-stop marathon relay run of 700 miles that starts in Copper Harbor and finishes in the Detroit area. In 1996, the Michigan Torch Run raised over \$400,000 for Michigan Special Olympics and planners hope to hit the \$500,000 mark this year.

### 10 Years Ago September 13, 2007

• Saykky's Confectionery and Gifts and Saykky's candy factory in Escanaba will be featured on the Food Network program "Unwrapped" next Monday, Sept. 17 at 9 p.m. The show, hosted by Marc Summers, will follow the candy-making process as a giant caramel pecan snapple is made. The feature is part of an episode focusing on "Gergantuan Goodies." • Lenore Derouin, executive director of the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce presented Jennifer VanDyck with the quilt she won in the chamber's most recent fund-raising raffle. The drawing was held during the Manistique Merchants Association Car and Snowmobile Show on Labor Day weekend. Derouin, who makes the quilts for the chamber raffles, is already hard at work on the next offering. • The Gwin Modeltowers dodged the rain that fell all day long, but couldn't escape the Emerald storm that swept across A.P. Hall State Park Sunday night. Behind a 31-point second quarter, the Manistique varsity football team hammered Gwin 57-0 to improve to 3-0 overall and in the Mid Peninsula Conference.



## Lifeskills 101: Philanthropy

The 4-H Lifeskills group recently made six kits for the Manistique Public Safety Department to use when children are involved in emergency or domestic situations. The kits include fleece scarves, blankets, and a small toy. Above, members of the group pose with their gathered kit materials.

## Report: Michigan's unemployment rate masks loss of workers, aging workforce

LANSING — Since 2000, Michigan's labor force has lost 326,000 workers, driven largely by a drop in workers 16-24 years old, according to the 2017 Labor Day report released by the Michigan League for Public Policy. The report shows that while Michigan's monthly unemployment rate dropped to 3.7 percent for July—the lowest jobless rate since 2000—this decline can be attributed as much to worker attrition as economic improvement.

Workers drop out of a state's labor force in several ways: physically leaving the state, death, institutionalization (i.e., incarceration), or stopping both work and the search for work (i.e., retirement, disability, staying home with children, etc.). Michigan's labor force reached its numerical peak of 5.16 million in 2000 and was down to under 4.84 million for 2016, showing a net loss of 326,000 workers.

"How Michigan's economy is doing depends on which worker or policymaker you talk to and what data you look at," said Gilda Z. Jacobs, president and CEO of the Michigan League for Public Policy. "Michigan's declining unemployment rate is certainly good news, but it doesn't tell the whole story. Since the unemployment rate was last this low in 2000, Michigan has been steadily losing workers, and our workforce is getting older, neither of which bodes well for our economic future."

Michigan's labor force participation rate, which measures the percent of the civilian population 16 years old and over that is working or looking for work, has been at a historic low for

several years. Its high-water mark was 69 percent in 2000, but fell to a low of 60 percent in 2011 and 2012, where it has hovered since, despite the improving unemployment rate. In the same way, while Michigan's employment-population ratio shows clear improvement since 2011 concurrent with falling unemployment, it is below where it was during the economically difficult years of the early and mid-2000s and the 20 years prior.

Michigan's labor force has also begun to shift toward older workers. From 1979 (the earliest year data on worker ages is available) to 2000, the share of Michigan's labor force that was 55 years of age or older was between 10-13 percent annually. Following 2000, however, this age group began comprising a steadily larger share of the workforce, and in 2016 their share (22.2 percent) nearly doubled that in 2000, while the portion in prime working age decreased from 70.4 percent to 62.3 percent over that span.

Younger workers, those from age 16-24, comprised a moderately smaller share of the workforce in 2016 (15.4 percent) than in 2000 (17.9 percent) but considerably smaller than in 1979, when they accounted for more than a quarter of the workforce. In keeping with the pattern of the previous 20 years, 72 percent of residents aged 16-24 were either working or looking for work in 2000. That percentage took a sharp and steady plunge over the following decade, bottoming out near 50 percent in 2011 sitting at 63 percent for 2016.

"We've all seen this data in action. Think about your daily life and the variety of workers you encounter in jobs that young

people used to hold—a fast food worker, a grocery bagger, a restaurant server," Jacobs said. "Lawmakers need to look at these changing demographics and embrace policies that help younger and older workers alike get the education, skills and training they need to get the jobs they want."

Although a higher portion of older individuals are remaining in the workforce, as they retire there are fewer younger workers to replace them. The League's Labor Day Report offers the following policy recommendations for legislators to strengthen Michigan's workforce at both ends of the age scale:

- Make college education less expensive by lowering tuition and increasing financial aid, which will help cut down on student debt;
- Encourage universities to offer more academically relevant work-study for students with low

incomes so that they may gain meaningful work experience;

- Make postsecondary training for "middle skills credentials" (a short-term or two-year credential such as a license, certificate or associate degree) more accessible to young people, especially those who live in areas with high unemployment and poverty and few available jobs;
- Provide support services to young single mothers that encourage them to participate in postsecondary education or training and facilitate their completion and success; and
- Retain Medicaid expansion in order to help provide healthcare for older workers earning lower wages.

To read the full Labor Day report and see labor force and jobless rate data for all 83 counties, go to [www.mlpp.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Labor-Day-](http://www.mlpp.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Labor-Day-)

### News Briefs

#### CAA to hold area food distribution Sept. 13-14

MANISTIQUE — The Menominee, Delta, Schoolcraft Community Action Agency will hold Family Commodity Food Program distributions during the week of Sept. 11.

Distribution sites include: Garden, Sept. 13, at the Garden Community Center from 2-3 p.m.; Manistique, Sept. 14, at the Manistique VFW Hall from 8:30 a.m. until 12 p.m.; and Gernfask, Sept. 14, at the Gernfask

Township Hall from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m.

Preregistration is not necessary and is based on a self-declaration process (qualified recipients are at 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines). Quantities are limited, and all products are available on a first come, first serve basis.

For more information, contact Community Action Agency at (906) 786-7080.

#### Bay College to host artist reception Thursday

ESCANABA — Bay College announces the reception for the exhibition, Related Terrain, artwork by Scott Leipski, Sept. 7. The event will begin at 2 p.m.

Scott A. Leipski, ceramicist, works with press-molded, slab and coil-built forms.

A passionate and curious creator since childhood, Leipski worked in multiple mediums for years before devoting himself to ceramics; His most recent work experiments with mixed media and non-glaze

surfaces.

Primarily a self-taught artist, Leipski learned as he went, navigating practical matters like how to fire a kiln as well as artistic choices, with many hard lessons; he views failure as part of what has led to his successes.

A storyteller at heart, his works often contain some element of the surreal.

The exhibition of his work can be viewed now through Oct. 13 in the Besse Gallery.

#### Foster Grandparents hosts Sept. 15 in-service

MANISTIQUE — The Schoolcraft County Foster Grandparents in-service meeting will be held Sept. 15.

The meeting takes place at 11 e.m. at the Upper Crust Deli in Manistique.

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to

individuals with disabilities.

The Foster Grandparent Program is administered by the Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft Community Action Agency.

For more information, contact Director Peggy Ramsden or Volunteer Coordinator Donelle Robitaille at (906) 786-7080.

#### 'Farming for All' workshop set for September 8

ESCANABA — A "Farming for All" workshop is set for Sept. 8. This workshop is designed for beginning farmers to provide an introduction for working with USDA to access Farm Bill programs.

Special programs for beginning farmers, veterans, low-income producers, tribal members, and farmers of color will be highlighted. It will also inform producers about free resources to help support farm development and access USDA

programs including the Natural Resources Conservation Service Environmental Quality Incentives Program.

The workshop will take place from 4-7 p.m. at the Delta County MSU Extension Office, 2840 College Ave., Escanaba.

This is a free workshop, but registration is requested to provide adequate handouts. RSVP by contacting Dylan Thomas at [twopinesfarm@gmail.com](mailto:twopinesfarm@gmail.com) or (517) 898-2381.

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# Organizers: UP State Fair sees significant rise in attendance

ESCANABA – The Upper Peninsula State Fair saw a dramatic increase in attendance this year, according to fair organizers. Ticket sales were up 17 percent over 2016.

Delta Chamber Executive Director Vickie Micheau said that this year's estimated attendance at the fair was a record 87,750. The previous record year was 2015 at 83,600. Fair attendance in 2016 was slightly more than 75,000.

The big difference was weather. Heavy rains and flooding suppressed attendance on Saturday in 2016. This year, sunshine attracted a record crowd Saturday, Micheau said attendance was up each day except Thursday and Sunday.

"We didn't have great weather Monday night. It did rain a little. We hit a record for all-time gate attendance on Monday and, of course, Saturday was a phenomenal day with record attendance," Micheau said.

The fair was held Aug. 14-20 in Escanaba.

Attendance numbers were based on tickets purchased or distributed in advance of fair week to vendors, volunteers, media, sponsors and employees as well as tickets purchased at the gate during the fair. Gate receipts Saturday were \$106,321 compared to \$24,589 in 2016. Friday saw a 42 percent increase in ticket sales at \$67,740 compared to \$47,643 in 2016.

Rain affected attendance on Thursday. Attendance dropped 56.4 percent on Thursday compared to 2016. Yet, 479 veterans were able to attend the fair that day as part of Honored Citizens Day.

Sunday's attendance was down 31 percent. Micheau said that was probably because people were able to attend the fair on Saturday this year because of the better weather. Gate receipts totaled \$376,475, an increase of more than \$55,000. Skerbeck Entertainment Group

reached a company record high with a 12.5 percent increase in sales.

"The Skerbeck Entertainment Group has been a fabulous partner. They do a wonderful job with the carnival on the midway and they hit an all-time company record for any fair, any festival with this fair," said Micheau.

The best attended grandstand shows, Micheau said, were LoCash on Thursday and Sawyer Brown on Saturday. New midway entertainment also attracted fair goers but Micheau said other regular activities were also popular this year.

"The part that I think people are taking notice of is once they come through the gate, is that there are so many other things to do. The DNR Pocket Park was tremendously popular this year as was the Steam & Gas Engine Village," she said.

The Junior Market Livestock Auction sale was down this year

in part because there were fewer entries and a special charitable giving auction was not held. Total sales were \$446,640, down from \$510,000 in 2016.

The auction included 113 hogs, 26 lambs, eight market goats and 66 steers.

Representatives from all 15 counties in the Upper Peninsula and the Hannahville Indian Community operate the fair and the fairgrounds through the U.P. State Fair Authority. The Delta Chamber of Commerce is the managing organization.

Micheau said they are already making plans for 2018. Fair staff added action items for possible improvements on a white board at the fair office to consider for next year.

The 2018 U.P. State Fair is scheduled for Aug. 13-19.

The next big event at the U.P. State Fairgrounds is the 72nd annual Great Lakes Logging and Heavy Equipment Expo Sept. 7-9.

## OBITUARIES

### Gerald J. Benish



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EL PASO, Texas – Former Manistique resident retired Master Sgt. Gerald J. Benish, 83, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2017, at his home in El Paso, Texas, surrounded by loved ones.

Jerry served 24 years in the United States Army, spending seven years of that in Germany and Korea. After his retirement from the military in 1979, Jerry was then employed by GTE and Siemens telephone companies.

He loved spending time with

family and working and making things with wood. Jerry also enjoyed spending summer months in Manistique and Gulliver with relatives and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley (Hamill) Benish; daughters Rhonda Hasser, Woodville, Ind. and Jennie (Edward) Limon, El Paso; grandchildren Jordan Wylie and Marissa Wylie; and several nieces and nephews.

Burial was in the National Veterans Cemetery, Fort Bliss, Texas.

### Charlotte I. Kandell



Charlotte I. Kandell

MANISTIQUE – Charlotte I. Kandell, 84, of Manistique, Mich., passed away on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017, at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital in Manistique.

She was born Oct. 29, 1932, in Germfask, Mich., the daughter of Henry and Flora Merle (Kimball) Archey and moved to Manistique as a child. She attended Manistique area schools.

On Sept. 3, 1949, the former Charlotte I. Archey married Charles M. Kandell at St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistique. They made their home and raised their family in Manistique. Charles preceded her in death on Nov. 26, 1998.

Charlotte was employed as a CNA at Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility in Manistique for 20 years.

She was a member of St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistique. She enjoyed playing cards and bingo, and traveling on scenic and casino bus tours with her husband. She especially enjoyed large family gatherings and being with her grandchildren.

Charlotte is survived by her children Terry (Sharon) Kandell of Man-

istique, Karen (Ray) Souliere of East Jordan, Mich., John (JoAnn) Kandell of Little Chute, Wis., Cindy (Dale) Thill of Fayette, Mich., Rory (Becky) Kandell of Gulliver, Mich., and Kathy (Jeff) DuFour of Ft. Dodge, Iowa; 15 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and her brother, Harold (Kay) Archey of Charlevoix, Mich.; along with nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her infant son, Michael John, and her brothers, Henry, Floyd, and Carl Archey.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, at St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistique with Father Ben Paris officiating. Burial will follow in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique.

Memorial donations may be directed to the St. Francis de Sales Education Foundation or to the Manistique Area Schools Foundation.

Messier-Boailliere Funeral Home of Manistique is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mbfuneral.com](http://www.mbfuneral.com).

## News Brief

### Life Line Screening scheduled to take place October 10 in Manistique, packages now available

MANISTIQUE – Residents living in and around the Manistique can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening.

The Comfort Inn will host this community event Oct. 10.

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Screenings are affordable, convenient and accessible for wheel-

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Packages start at \$149, but consultants will work to create a package based on age and risk factors.

Call (877) 237-1287 or visit [www.lifeinescreening.com](http://www.lifeinescreening.com). Pre-registration is required.

# MSP: Residents need to prepare for both emergencies, disasters

LANSING – Michigan residents should prepare for emergencies and disasters by making an emergency plan with their loved ones and learning life-saving skills like first-aid and CPR during Michigan's Preparedness Month, according to the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division.

Throughout September, the MSP/EMHSD is joining federal, state and local governments, as well as private and public organizations, in supporting emergency preparedness initiatives and encouraging residents to take action to prepare. Agencies nationwide are uniting under the theme "Disasters Don't Plan Ahead. You Can," to encourage everyone to create a family emergency plan and to learn skills needed to help themselves and others until help can arrive.

"Taking time to create an emergency plan or to learn basic first aid skills can save lives," said Capt. Chris A. Kelenske, Deputy State Director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and commander of the MSP/EMHSD. "It's important that individuals and families plan now, so they are better equipped to react when an emergency of disaster strikes."

Residents are also encouraged to know the hazards that affect their communities and build an emergency supply kit. Businesses are encouraged to prepare for emergencies and disasters by establishing an emergency preparedness program.

All households should be self-reliant for at least three days by building an emergency preparedness kit supplied with food, water and medications. During an emergency or disaster, critical services—such as electricity, water service or access to grocery stores—can be impacted and response for police, fire and rescue personnel could be significantly delayed.

Since 2015, Gov. Rick Snyder has issued disaster declarations for incidents involving severe thunderstorms, flash flooding and a sinkhole. On Oct. 21, 2016, Snyder declared a state of disaster for Marquette County after storms, heavy rain and flash flooding caused severe damage. On June 23, 2017, a disaster declaration was declared for Isabella and Midland counties after torrential rainfall and flash flooding caused widespread damage. On June 28, 2017, Bay and Gladwin counties were added to the declaration.

To take preparedness into action

and commemorate Michigan's Preparedness Month, the MSP/EMHSD is collaborating with Cops & Doughnuts, Isabella County Emergency Management, Isabella County 911, Marquette County Emergency Management, Target and the Westwood Mall in Marquette to host two 2017 Prepare Fairs.

The first Prepare Fair will take place from 4-7 p.m. on Sept. 7 at the Westwood Mall, 3020 US-41, Marquette.

The second Prepare Fair will take place from 4-7 p.m. on Sept. 21 at Cops & Doughnuts, 1327 S. Mission, Mount Pleasant.

Individuals attending the fair will learn about local emergency response agencies, how to develop a family emergency plan and how to create an emergency preparedness kit. Attendees will also be able to meet local first responders and volunteers. The event is free of charge and open to anyone.

To learn more about preparing for emergencies and disasters and making an emergency preparedness plan, or for more information about 2017 Prepare Fair go to [www.michigan.gov/mready](http://www.michigan.gov/mready) or follow the MSP/EMHSD on Twitter at @MichEMHS.

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## News Briefs

### Bethel Baptist Church to host illusionist for September 14 free show

ESCANABA—Illusionist David Corn, from Houston, Texas, will be performing a free magic show Sept. 14. The show will be held at the Bethel Baptist Church in Manistique at 7 p.m.

At this show, Corn will be doing many large-scale, professional illusions, such as cutting someone

in half, escaping from shackles and chains, slicing a person in thirds, and performing the famous Houdini "Metamorphosis" illusion. The show is free and open to the public.

In the last year, Magician David Corn performed over 200 shows. He is on the road full-time, and has

performed in many public schools across the United States. His school show helps young people with issues such as bullying, substance abuse, respect, and excellence.

The magic show is free, but seating is limited. Call 341-5561 for more information.

### Retired school personnel to host September 13 meeting in Manistique

MANISTIQUE — The Sept. 13 MARSF meeting will take place in the Augustana Hall at Zion Lutheran Church in Manistique.

Attendees are asked to gather at 11:30 a.m. to hear Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital CEO Bob Crumb speak on "Updates at SMH".

Lunch will follow at 12 p.m. All retired school personnel from Schoolcraft and Eastern Delta counties are welcome to attend.

## THE DINNER DIVA

By LEANNE ELY

If you have vegetarians and meat eaters cohabiting, you're bound to have conflicts when it comes to dinner. But there are plenty of ways you can plan your meals so that everyone is happy. It just takes a bit of forethought.



Leanne Ely

For instance, if you're making pizza for supper, it's simple to only put meat on one half or to cook a second pie and load it with just veggies. If you're making tomato sauce, make it vegetarian and add meat after you've jarred the veg version. If you're preparing a stirfry, remove your vegetarian portion before adding the meat. See what I mean?

But here we're talking about making allowances, and I want to give you some vegetarian meal ideas that will make even meat eaters weak in the knees.

Roasted spaghetti squash and kale. Prepare your spaghetti squash by slicing it in half (lengthwise) and removing the seeds. Brush the exposed flesh with olive oil and roast, cut side up, at 375 until tender (about 35-40 minutes).

While the squash is roasting, sauté some onions and kale until the kale starts to wilt. When the squash is done, remove the beautifully stringy squash noodles and combine with the kale mixture. For something extra delicious, drizzle with a nice balsamic.

Vegetarian lasagna. You can easily adapt your favorite lasagna recipe to be vegetarian. If you're gluten-free, replace the wheat noodles with thinly sliced zucchini for an extra vegetarian delight. Pair with a big green salad and a nice red wine, and nobody will ask for the beef.

Roasted Vegetable Quinoa. Quinoa provides a great source of protein. Roasted vegetables with quinoa is a wonderful meal for the whole family (find the full recipe at the bottom of this post).

Soup. Search our website for soup recipes (or there's also Google, I suppose) until you find a vegetarian soup your family loves. Those with sweet potatoes or squash as a base tend to be very filling, rather than a broth-based "noodle"

soup. Experiment! And always pair your soup with a green salad.

Frittata. Oh, how I adore frittatas. I've written about them before, and they are definitely one meal that can stand alone without any additional protein (though I do love my frittatas with ham or bacon). Making frittatas is very simple.

Preheat your oven to 400. In an oven-safe skillet over medium-high heat, add some butter and/or coconut or olive oil. Sauté whatever veggies you have in the fridge. I like onions, peppers, mushrooms, leftover potatoes, zucchini—really, whatever you have will work.

Once your veggies are nice and brown, reduce the temperature to medium-low and add in 8-10 beaten eggs. (This will feed four people if you serve with a big salad).

Now, as soon as the eggs start to set, turn off the heat. Add cheese if you wish and pop the pan into your preheated oven until the top is golden, about 5-10 minutes.

See? There are plenty of ways you can make an impressive meal that will please your vegetarians and meat eaters!

If you're a Saving Dinner subscriber with a Premium membership, simply search our database for vegetarian options—that can keep you going for weeks.

Now, as promised, here is your bonus recipe, and it's perfect for fall.

#### Roasted vegetable quinoa

4 servings

Prep: 15 minutes

Cook: 30 minutes

INGREDIENTS

1/4 cup olive oil, divided

2 tsp chopped basil leaves

1/2 cup chopped pine nuts

1 tsp parmesan flavored rice sprinkles (optional)

2 tsp balsamic vinegar, divided

1 (15-oz) can chickpeas, rinsed and drained

1 medium red onion, quartered

2 cups chopped eggplant

1 1/2 cups chopped zucchini

1 cup halved cherry tomatoes

2 cups prepared quinoa

1 tsp sea salt

1/2 tsp black pepper

DIRECTIONS: Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Combine half of the olive oil in a food processor with the basil, pine nuts, parmesan rice sprinkles (if using), and half of the balsamic vinegar. Pulse until smooth, adding an additional tablespoon of olive oil, if needed.

Transfer pesto to a large zipper-topped plastic bag, and add chickpeas; through cherry tomatoes. Shake well and transfer to a lightly greased baking pan.

Bake, for 20-30 minutes, until vegetables are fork tender. In a large bowl, combine roasted vegetables with prepared quinoa, and toss with remaining 2 tablespoons olive oil and balsamic vinegar. Season with salt and pepper, adding additional basil, if desired. Serve and enjoy!

For more great recipes and tips, go to [www.savingdinner.com](http://www.savingdinner.com).

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Courtesy photo

Above the Little Free Library adjacent to Blue Mystique on Trader's Point is shown.

## GFWC partners to offer 'little libraries'

MANISTIQUE — GFWC Manistique Women's Club has partnered up with Blue Mystique to host a Little Free Library.

Little Free Library is a non-profit organization that inspires a love of reading, builds community and sparks creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world.

Through Little Free Libraries, millions of books are exchanged each year. People (adult, teen or child) may borrow a book to read, then exchange it for another, or just keep the book.

Books are donated by the local GFWC Women's Club and will be replenished periodically.

A member of the GFWC Manistique Women's Club wrote the grant to GFWC Michigan for funds for two of the Little Free Libraries.

Kevin Brown, instructor at Manistique High School, and his students, built the libraries and has

installed one at Blue Mystique. The other will be placed at The Grind, a student-run coffee shop, when it opens.

Little Free Libraries are a

registered item (plaques will be attached with the numbers) so that people may find their locations from the world map of Little Free Libraries.

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SENIOR CENTER NEWS

By CONNIE FRENETTE

COUNSELING CORNER

In too many homes, the average school day morning can best be described as chaos.

While there's no way to guarantee that bedlam will suddenly turn into calm, peaceful, well-organized mornings, there are ways to help reduce that school-morning frustration, stress and anger.

Start by letting the kids know you're not happy with how you're acting, rather than blaming it all on them.

Then give your kids more time responsibility. For younger children, with little concept of time, try a kitchen timer to help them finish breakfast and get dressed in

a timely manner. For older kids, give them an alarm clock and let them choose the time they can wake up and still be ready for school without making everyone rush.

Set consequences. Discuss ahead of time on a favorite something they'll give up if they dawdle over breakfast or don't get up on time.

Some general changes can also speed things up. Turn off that morning TV. Whatever the show, it only slows things down.

Get things more organized. Give the kids a designated place for backpacks and books, and make sure they're in place before bedtime.

Having kids lay out the next

day's clothes before bed avoids morning panic over that missing top or jeans. Make sure hats, mittens and shoes are also ready for the a.m.

Try an in-box for papers that need to be signed, and as a place to put lunch money envelopes. Make your child responsible for putting the needed papers there after school, and for remembering them in the morning.

Even with a good system, some mornings will still be a three-ring circus. But help your kids take part in getting organized and you'll make most mornings more enjoyable, as well as give them skills that can help throughout life.

Counseling Corner is provided by the American Counseling Association. Comments and questions to ACAcorner@ counseling.org or visit the ACA website at www.counseling.org.

Our annual Open House is scheduled for Sept. 14. It will be held from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

We ask that you sign up ahead of time if you plan on joining us for a meal of barbecue ribs, braised potato, baked beans, salad, cornbread, sherbet and coffee, and milk.

The meal is provided by Community Action Agency, who leases our kitchen.

If you have never been to this large event, let me tell you a little about it. We are fortunate enough to have Mary Larsson, who oversees karaoke held out in the parking lot of the center, come all the way from Rapid River.

The center has door prize drawings throughout the day, where all donations are given by local businesses and individuals from the community.

The Manistique Senior Center Board provides transportation to and from the event if you live locally.

Where did the summer go? We spent last weekend camping with family and friends. Other than being a little chilly and of course raining periodically, the weekend was enjoyed by all of us.

Josh and Bree Hendrickson, my

daughter's friends, invited us over for breakfast one morning. It was so good. I asked Josh how it was made. He chuckled and said it is pretty easy. Here goes:

Break up one patty and add six to eight eggs to the skillet. Scramble and serve. When he said it was very easy, he wasn't kidding. And golly gee, it was scrumptious.

We have some very exciting news to share with you. I have been contacted by Good Neighbors and was informed that the Feeding America Truck will be returning to Manistique for the months of October and November and possibly December.

On Sept. 21, the center will be opening the doors to "Meet and Greet" our local state and city police officers, EMT, sheriff's department and tribal police. We are hoping for a nice turnout to make it worth their while.

Coffee and dessert will be provided. It is a chance to meet our local officers and show our appreciation. We are looking for bakers and if you are able to help us out, give the

center a call at 341-5923.

Get your calendars out. The Manistique Country Music Bus Trip is scheduled for Oct. 30. Join us for the return of the Country Klass Band. The cost is \$8 per person, which covers the transportation.

This bus fills faster than most, so I encourage you to sign up as soon as possible. We will be stopping for dinner on the way, which is Dutch treat. Call a few friends and invite them to join us.

Bingo, bingo, bingo! The center will be heading to the Gladstone Senior Center Oct. 5 to not only play bingo, but to enjoy the fall color on the way. The bus will depart from the senior center parking lot at 10:30 a.m.

Bridge Sept. 1: First-Chris Orr, Second-Janice Redeker, Third-Grey Lowman, CF-Ray Krall, Host, Ray Krall.

Birthday wishes week: Sept. 11 - Loney Withey, Ed Renton and Janet Shoolbridge; Sept. 12 - Joanne Annell, Bob Hastings, and Don Tennant; Sept. 13 - Robert Kaiser; Sept. 15 - Bob McDonald and Gladys Barton. Happy Birthday wishes to all.

Lifestyles Briefs

UP Regional Blood Center Blood Drive set for September 13 at SMH

MANISTIQUE - A Blood Drive for the U.P. Regional Blood Center will take place Sept. 13, in the

conference room at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital. The drive will run from 1-5:15 p.m.

Schedule an appointment by calling 341-6447. Walk-ins are welcome.

UP Association of American Legion Posts to hold meeting October 7

MENOMINEE - The 2017 fall meeting for Districts 11 and 12 and U.P. Association of American Legion Posts will be held Oct.

7. The meeting will take place at Menominee Post No. 146. Service Officer School at 9:30 a.m. (CST); Districts 11 and 12

meetings at 11 a.m. (CST); and the UPAALP meeting at 1 p.m. (CST). Commander Gary Lane will preside.

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Madison Kraatz

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## Procedure change

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ies – we all agree and believe this is going to be a great, new procedure for transportation in this building.”

Boddy pointed out that the Manistique Area Schools Board of Education is also behind the plan – “which is why we spent the money that we did to make these changes”.

During meetings earlier this year, it was revealed that the school board and administrators would be looking to correct pick-up and drop-off issues at Emerald. Boddy said the problems included crowding in the front parking lot and parents obtaining their students before being released by the final bell at 3:18 p.m.

“We had a situation last year where, particularly at the end of the day, parents were coming earlier and earlier and coming into the building,” she explained. “We were losing, in some cases, in some classrooms, almost 45 minutes of teaching time for kids who were being taken out early at the end of the day. With the standards that we have to meet with educating kids – that just can’t happen. We need our kids until the bell at the end of the day.”

Abiding by the start and end times at the school is something that will be strictly enforced, Boddy added. “Part of that includes kids staying in the classroom and parents remaining outside of the building to meet their kids at the end of the day,” she said, adding that this will create a “better” and “more consistent” routine for all students.

Boddy went on to explain that the new procedures are part of the Best Practice Standards from the National Transportation and Safety Administration.

“This isn’t something that I’ve made up,” she said. “These are things that are happening in other schools and proven to work.”

The busses will now enter and pick up and drop off students using the newly-resurfaced driveway by the main entrance of the building.

“That will be open only to busses in the morning from 7:45 until 8:25,” Boddy said. “Only busses will be using that parking lot.”

Students riding the busses, which generally arrive at 8 a.m., will report directly to the playground until 8:10 a.m., when they will be permitted entrance into the school. Boddy said this would help students “get the wiggles out” after being on the bus.

“We’re not going to pen them up inside, because, again, that’s just capturing all that energy,” she said. “They need a little release after getting here in the morning.”

In case of inclement weather, students will be held in the area outside of the gym until 8:10 a.m.

She added that there would be supervision of the students in both areas. After the 8:10 a.m. bell, students may enter the cafeteria for breakfast or head to their classrooms.

Following explanation of the new bussing procedure, Boddy delved into the reasons why school bus transportation is safe for students, citing NTSA data.

“The bus is the safest vehicle for school’s to get to school,” she said. “The way that it’s engineered, with the weight distribution, how the body of the bus is built, with the height of the seats ... makes the bus an extremely safe vehicle to come to school in.”



Emerald Elementary students are shown exiting the school Tuesday, the first day of school, to spot their ride home along as part of the newly-implemented drop-off and pick-up procedure.

She added that students who ride the bus also tend to have fewer absences.

“The busses are reliable,” Boddy said. “You know the time the bus comes every morning, you get in the routine, the kids know what to expect ... it’s a consistent routine for them.”

According to Boddy, all students will now use the front entrance to gain access into the school, including those who are dropped off by parents in the former bus loading and unloading zone on the side of the building.

“That’s one-point security, which is what we strive for as a school – to only have one door that’s being used by people in and out.”

Boddy went on to explain that the new procedure for parents who bring their children to school is being called a “love ‘em and leave ‘em” drop off.

“The idea behind this is that we’re going to keep traffic flowing,” she said. “Parents are going to stay in their car and simply drop their kids off.”

She added that there will be an “army of boots on the ground” to greet incoming students.

“If you’re driving your students to school, you’ll have all your conversations in your car before you get here,” Boddy explained, noting that parents should use this time to discuss any practices or the plan for after school. “Say the things that you need to say – I love you, have a great day! ... so that when you pull up on the curb, your student, with their backpack packed, is ready to exit your vehicle.”

You’ll stop at the curb, keep your car running, remain in your car, people on the sidewalks will open your doors, help your kids out,” she continued. “If it’s before 8:10, they’ll go to the playground. If it’s

after 8:10, they’ll come directly into the building.”

After school, Boddy said parents will follow a “reverse” of the morning drop-off procedure.

“There’s really no reason to start lining up until 3:15,” she explained, adding that the children will be exiting from the doorways on the side of the building where vehicles line up. “They’ll go right out ... find their parent’s car.”

In case of inclement weather, students will be held in the area adjacent to the gym, in front of the side doors and will identify the vehicle in which they will ride home from this vantage point.

Cars may only line up in single file, Boddy said, allowing students to leave the curb directly into a vehicle.

“Safety is our main concern,” she said.

Walkers and bikers will also report to either the playground or school in the morning, depending on the time. At the end of the day, they will be released through the main entrance after the busses depart.

Any parent who needs to drop off or pick up a child after 8:25 a.m. may use the new driveway and parking lot and enter through the main entrance. The new driveway will close again to all other traffic from 3-3:25 p.m.

In an informal poll conducted on the Pioneer Tribune website, readers were asked if they agree with the new pick-up/drop-off procedure at Emerald. As of Wednesday morning, a total of 128 votes were cast – 28 percent of respondents said they agree with the change, while 72 percent said they do not.

For more information on the new Emerald Elementary drop-off and pick-up procedures, contact the school at 341-4332.

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## News Brief

### 'Coffee with a Cop' scheduled for September 21 at local senior center

ST. IGNACE – The Michigan State Police St. Ignace Post, Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department, and Manistique Public Safety will host a “Coffee with a Cop” event from 10 a.m.-12

p.m. Sept. 21. The event will take place inside the Manistique Senior Citizens' Center, which is located at 101 Main Street. Coffee with a Cop offers

community members the opportunity to come together for an informal, relaxed meeting with law enforcement to discuss community issues, build relationships and enjoy a free cup of coffee.

## Regional jail

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and the upper, Lower Peninsula,” he said, adding that the venture could have the potential to create jobs. “It’s a win-win,” Reiter explained. “It alleviates all the problems that are hospitals are having, plus create new jobs in the area.”

In addition to the mental health component, the facility would also house a jail that would be capable of housing inmates who have mental health issues. This jail would be equipped to distribute “Class 3” medications, while the current jail mail only distributes “Class 2,” Reiter said.

He added that those incarcerated who have substance abuse problems may also benefit from use of the facility.

“This would be a new, state-of-the-art place,” Reiter said, adding that the regular jail would also be incorporated into the facility, as the current jail is rapidly aging.

He then suggested holding a “meeting of the whole” to discuss the next steps in the process with all possible stakeholders. Commissioner Chris Rantanen suggested approaching CLUPAD to assist with the process.

During the meeting of the whole Aug. 25, commissioners delved further into the possibility of the facility. Reiter explained that the current jail was built in 1957 as a home for the sheriff and a small lock-up. From there, additions were built, leading to the 24 bed facility existing today.

“It has been added, changed, re-purposed – it’s like an inner tube with a hundred patches on it,” Reiter said. “It does not meet current standards.”

However, he noted that the jail is able to pass inspections because it’s been “grandfathered” in.

According to Schoolcraft County Sheriff Paul Furman, the Michigan Department of Corrections recently eliminated four of the jail’s beds – bringing

it down from the former 28 it had to offer.

Commissioner Rantanen pointed out that at the money per day it costs to house inmates elsewhere, a new, regional facility would be worth exploring.

Reiter pointed out that Furman is currently successfully battling the drug problem in Schoolcraft County, however, once arrests are made, there isn’t enough space to house them.

“Paul is doing an excellent job, unfortunately, our jail is not large enough for the amount of inmates we are facing,” said Reiter. “You either go out and take care of a problem or you don’t. You can’t go out and arrest half the people.”

Furman added that delaying arrests isn’t something that should happen.

“The community demands that we do something,” he said.

Rantanen noted that with the combination of drug and mental health issues in the area, it is the “perfect time” for a regional jail. She also added that the county’s Mental Health Court, which will be operational in October, could be helpful in the development of any new facility.

Reiter pointed out that he has

been working with the Mental Health Diversion Council. He also added that there are several existing structures that could be considered to house the facility. Rantanen explained that the county should not exclude a new build.

According to Reiter, the regional facility would include 88 beds – 10 of which would be separated and used for mental health patients under evaluation. These patients would be under the care of hospital employees with the assistance of correction officers, if needed.

Another 28 beds would be designated for mental health inmates. The remaining 50 beds would be used for jail inmates.

Rantanen questioned how many employees would be needed to supervise that many mental health patients/inmates. Reiter noted that the hospital would work out the shifts for the mental health aspect and that housing inmates/patients from other counties will help shoulder the cost of operation.

Commissioners agreed to place the issue on the agenda of the next regular county commission meeting, which is set for Sept. 14 at 4 p.m.

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## National Forest using tablet technology out in the field

GLADSTONE — Hiawatha National Forest's soil and water program is now using cellular/wifi capable iPad mini tablets for its field data collection needs across the forest.

"We use mobile apps for most of our data collection," said Hiawatha National Forest hydrologist Lindsay Goss, whose work is focused on the national forest's West Zone.

For instance, Hiawatha personnel use mobile technology in the field when gathering data related to the agency's Core Best Management Practices evaluations and Michigan Department of Equipment Quality BMP evaluations. Prior to using these electronic tablets, paper forms were hand-written in the field and then manually re-entered into spreadsheets back at the office.

"Entering data directly into electronic spreadsheets and fillable PDFs in the field not only saves

us time," said Goss, "but it also eliminates transcription errors."

Another benefit of using tablets to gather field data comes via the devices' built-in Geographic Positioning System. With this tool, Hiawatha ecologists and hydrologists can link georeferenced photos to documents and maps while in the field.

In fact, doubling up on the mapping technology, Hiawatha National Forest is also using high resolution Light Detection and Ranging data in ESRI ArcMap to create referenced PDFs which are uploaded to Avenza PDF's specialized mobile mapping applications.

"This new technology is helping us to locate undocumented legacy roads in the field and to find the best possible routes for temporary access routes for timber activities," explained Goss.

Employees are finding that the

tablets are useful and versatile. Each device has a lot of storage (125 GB), plus there are many Forest Service approved apps for data collection needs.

For quick and easy reference, Hiawatha hydrology personnel keep electronic copies of the forest's monitoring protocols, technical references, field guides and even the Forest Plan directly on the tablets that are easy to carry in ruggedized cases.

"The tablets are very fast and easy to use, and the photo quality is amazing," said Goss. "They have saved us a lot of time (and paper) in the field and the office. And to top it off, they are much cheaper than many other hand-held GPS and data collection devices. I don't think I could go back."

For more information about work related to hydrology and soils on Hiawatha National Forest, contact HiawathaNF@fs.fed.us.

### News Brief

#### UP Blood Center announces critical need for O-negative, A-negative

MARQUETTE — The U.P. Regional Blood Center is experiencing a critical need for O-negative and A-negative blood

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## NEWS FROM MAS

BY MARYANN BODDY

The 2017-218 school year is underway and the teaching and learning has begun. This year, Manistique Area Schools will be entering into a partnership with the Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District to implement a program called MIBLSI.

MIBLSI stands for Michigan's Integrated Behavior and Learning Support Initiative. MIBLSI is a grant, funded by the Michigan Department of Education, designed to help schools develop schoolwide support systems in reading and behavior.

Research has proven that students are more likely to succeed when schools address behavior and learning together. Michigan's Integrated Behavior and Learning Support Initiative partners with school districts to help implement and sustain these supports for improved student outcomes.

Manistique Area Schools is honored to have been chosen by the DSISD for this opportunity based on a capacity survey completed

last year.

The schedule for implementing MIBLSI at MAS will include:

Fall 2017 - District implementation team builds district... systems to support implementation. Our District MIBLSI Team includes: Mr. Shiner, Mr. Ryan, Mrs. Boddy, Rhonda Tallman, Jenny VanDyck, Jill Richey and Dr. Transit.

Winter 2018 - PBIS training begins for both elementary and secondary levels. PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) is a proactive approach to establishing the behavioral supports and social culture needed for all students in a school to achieve social, emotional and academic success.

Fall 2018 - Tier 1 Reading systems training will begin for both elementary and secondary. We will review implementation strategies already in place to ensure that we are maximizing instruction and positively impacting student learning outcomes.

Winter 2019 - Grade level and cross department problem solving training will ensure that we are using data to guide decision making and instruction at all levels.

Fall 2019 - Winter 2020 - Intervention System training for both behavior and reading.

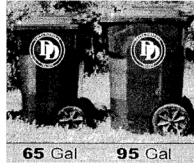
The professional programming and ISD support will include intensive technical assistance for the successful use of an integrated behavior and reading Multi-Tier System of Support model. MIBLSI will help coordinate programs that are already in place with new programming to best support students' learning and behavior needs.

Being a partner with the Delta-Schoolcraft ISD in the MIBLSI program is just one more way we are going the extra mile to educate our students, K-12, to achieve success. If you have any questions or would like more information about the MIBLSI program please contact Mr. Shiner or Mrs. Boddy at (906) 341-4300.

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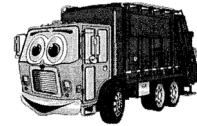
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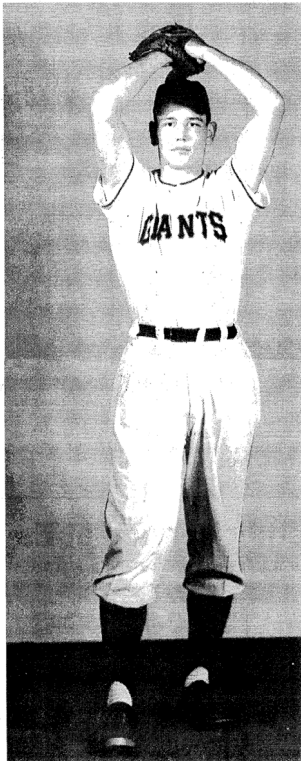
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1. Boston Red Sox	77	61
2. New York Yankees	74	63
3. Baltimore Orioles	70	68
4. Tampa Bay Rays	69	70
5. Toronto Blue Jays	64	74
<b>American League Central</b>		
1. Cleveland Indians	61	56
2. Minnesota Twins	71	66
3. Kansas City Royals	68	68
4. Detroit Tigers	58	79
5. Chicago White Sox	54	82
<b>American League West</b>		
1. Houston Astros	84	53
2. Los Angeles Angels	71	67
3. Texas Rangers	69	68
4. Seattle Mariners	69	69
5. Oakland Athletics	58	79
<b>National League East</b>		
1. Washington Nationals	83	54
2. Miami Marlins	67	70
3. Atlanta Braves	60	76
4. New York Mets	59	78
5. Philadelphia Phillies	52	85
<b>National League Central</b>		
1. Chicago Cubs	75	62
2. Milwaukee Brewers	72	66
3. St. Louis Cardinals	70	67
4. Pittsburgh Pirates	66	72
5. Cincinnati Reds	59	79
<b>National League West</b>		
1. Los Angeles Dodgers	92	45
2. Arizona Diamondbacks	80	58
3. Colorado Rockies	73	64
4. San Diego Padres	62	76
5. San Francisco Giants	54	86



## Johnson reflects on his shot at the majors

Ray (Red) Lucas, the capable and business-like scout for the New York Giants who recently completed his school and tryout camp here, waxed high on the talents of young Ron Johnson of Manistique, the ace pitcher on the Cooks mound staff in the Bay de Noc League. "He's fast, heady, and has good equipment for a youngster his age (18) and should do alright in our Rookie League in Nebraska this summer," Red says. Johnson will have the advantage of breaking into organized baseball under a great former major league pitcher, Gene Thompson, who was with the Giants and the Cincinnati Reds.

Ron Johnson of Manistique, signed to a New York Giants pre baseball contract here last month, has survived two cuts which pared a field of 22 rookies to 12 on the Hastings, Neb., team in the Nebraska State Rookie League. Johnson, who pitched for the Cooks Bombers in the Bay de Noc League, was inked by Red Lucas. He'll remain with the Hastings team this season and attend spring training camp in Florida next year.

MANISTIQUE - It's a childhood dream of many, realized by a select few, to have the opportunity to play major league baseball. For one local resident, the dream came close to reality. With the pennant race just around the corner, Ron Johnson recently sat down with the Pioneer Tribune to share his experience of making it to the big show.

At the age of 18, Johnson was a right-handed pitcher for the Cooks Bombers, playing in the Bay de Noc League. While scouted by the Giants' Red Lucas, Johnson pitched three straight victories for Cooks.

Ron Johnson, classy young Manistique pitcher, recently signed by the New York Giants, is set to report June 25 to the team's new rookie club in Hastings, Neb., to compete in the Class D rookie league.

The rookie league is a new venture for

Courtesy photos  
 The baseball suit issued to Johnson for practice was one formerly worn by John Antonelli, the Giant's star pitcher.

Johnson  
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## Emeralds' injuries lead to loss on road

MANISTIQUE - Injuries to an already slim line-up proved to be costly for the Manistique Emerald football team Friday night. Looking for his first "W" of the 2017 campaign, Head Coach Todd Kangas lost his starting quarterback and running back in the first half of play on the road in Gladstone.

Despite the loss of his backfield and tight end Nick Smith, the remaining 12 Emeralds tightened up their cleats and finished off the Mid-Peninsula Conference match-up with an effort that was appreciated by their coach.

"The first half was really tough on us," said Kangas. "We were down to 12 players at the half."

The team really buckled together," he continued. "We either had to get going or we might not have finished. I was pleased with the way the guys responded - they came out and played hard in the second half."

After throwing for four TDs and rushing for another in their season opener, the Braves' senior quarterback Darin Johnson had another productive night, rushing for three touchdowns and returning an Emerald punt 55 yards for his fourth score of the night.

"He is a good ball player," Kangas said. "He has good speed and is elusive. He throws and runs well."

The Braves (2-0) jumped out to a 7-0 advantage midway through the first quarter when Johnson crossed the goal line on an 18-yard run, then pushed their lead to 9-0 when their defense caught Alex Oas in the end zone for a

safety. With time running out in the first quarter of play, Johnson pushed the Braves out front 16-0, scoring on an 11-yard run to end the period.

Up 16-0, the Braves' Doby Gillis picked up an Emerald fumble and returned it 36 yards for a score early in the second.

Johnson followed that up with a 55-yard punt return midway through the second quarter for the Braves, who led Manistique 44-0, at the half.

The Emeralds' DJ Bowers scored on a one-yard run with time running out in the contest.

With the 44-6 victory, Gladstone improved to 2-0; the Emeralds fell to 0-2.

In addition to Oas, Schyler Anderson and Smith, Kangas said Steve Knudson was sick and did not make the trip. Oas, Anderson, and Smith are expected to be on the field when the Emeralds play host to Gwinn Friday. The availability of Knudson is still up in the air.

Following a 42-0 loss to Gladstone in their season opener, Gwinn defeated Iron Mountain 30-24 to improve to 1-1 on the season.

Kangas said the match-up against Gwinn will be another challenge for his squad.

"They are a solid team," he explained. "They have 13-14 good players. They are very good up front, their line is good size and they block well."

Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. Friday at the A. F. Hall Stadium on the Ron Rubick Memorial Field.

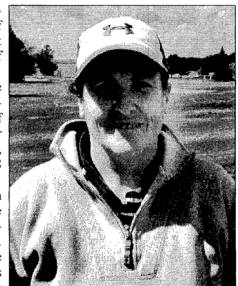
## Steider three-peats as ladies champion

MANISTIQUE - The Indian Lake Women's Golf Championship recently took place at the Indian Lake Golf Course.

Making it a three-peat, Kate Steider came out on top. Golfing 36 holes over the course of two weekends, Kate Steider took the championship title, posting scores of 76 and 78 for a low card of 154.

Steider took the title in 2016 with a 169. In 2015, she claimed the championship after shooting an impressive 73.

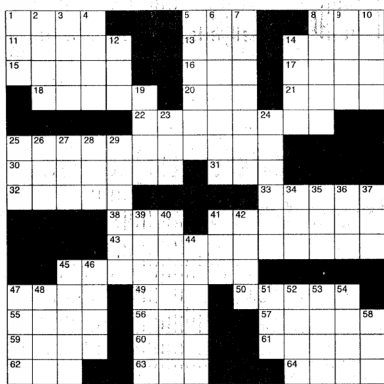
The final tournament of the season will be the Couples Tournament scheduled for Sept. 9-10.



Kate Steider

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Johnson

Major League Baseball. Eight of the then 16 major leagues are represented in the loop, which is composed of players who have had no previous professional experience. Johnson was joined by Fran Gertschen, also a right-handed pitcher, from Marathon, Wis.

"We feel that both of these youngsters have the stuff to make the grade," Red Lucas, a scout for the Giants, said. "Johnson showed us a fine fast ball, knuckler, and curve as good as anything we've seen in the area."

Both Johnson and Gertschen signed Class D contracts and their expenses were paid for during the three-day tryouts held in Escanaba. Their manager at Hastings was Gene Thompson, former pitching ace with the New York Giants and the Cincinnati Reds.

"We looked at a total of 30 players in our three day here and there are a lot of other good prospects in addition to the two we signed yesterday," Lucas said.

Johnson survived two cuts which pared a field of 22 rookies to 12 on the Hastings team. He went on to pitch two years in the minor league program before having issues with his shoulder which ended his promising career.



Young pitchers at the opening session of the New York Giants' baseball school got mound tips from Red Lucas, former major league pitching star. From left to right, Ricky Erickson, Fran Gertschen, Bill Ringuette, Lucas, Denny McGinn, and Ron Johnson.

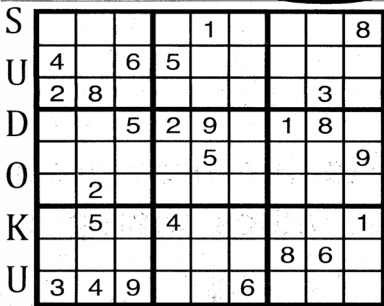
DNR expands customer service at Escanaba office

ESCANABA — The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is expanding customer service available at its Escanaba office, making it the fourth DNR customer service center in the Upper Peninsula.

"By designating this facility as a DNR Customer Service Center, expanding the office hours, and having a full complement of department staff located at the facility, we will be able to serve more customers, helping them enjoy the natural resources and recreational opportunities throughout the region," said Tim Melko, DNR western Upper Peninsula administrative manager. Escanaba is a prime central location for a DNR customer service center, given the numerous available recreation opportunities in the area, including fishing and boating on the Bays de Noc and the Escanaba River, camping farther south at J.W. Wells State Park, hiking and skiing along the Days River Pathway, bird and monarch butterfly watching at Peninsula Point, and the historic 1800s iron smelting townsite experience at Fayette Historic State Park.

Over the past three years, the DNR's Escanaba field office was highest in the state in total sales of snowmobile, off-road vehicle and hunting and fishing licenses. The office had more than 14,000 contacts with the public over that same time. By adding Escanaba, there are now 12 full-service DNR customer service centers located around the state, including Marquette, Baraga and Newberry in the U.P. These customer service centers are open to the public 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Staff there is ready to help customers who want to buy a license, ask a question, learn about seasonal regulations, invite the DNR to participate in a school or community program, or simply learn more about Michigan's terrific outdoor recreation opportunities.

The DNR Escanaba Customer Service Center is located at 6833 U.S. Highways 2, 41 and M-35 in Gladstone. "Many of our customers travel from other counties or can't make it to the office by 4:30 p.m.," said Jo Ann Alexander, a DNR general office assistant at the Escanaba customer service center. "By extending our hours to 5 p.m. weekdays, we're giving our customers more opportunities to visit our office or contact us by telephone." Contact the DNR's Escanaba Customer Service Center at (906) 786-2351.



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Well, there definitely is the feeling of fall in the air, and if you have been out in the woods the ferns are turning already along with some of the grasses. In some places there is already a good touch of color. When you stop and think that the hunting season for this fall will have started before next week's paper comes out you had better be ready for fall.

In my travels I find it totally amazing how with just two mild winters how many more deer Wife and I are seeing. It sure makes one hope that those that are forecasting a snowy cold winter are wrong. With the deer herd just starting to show signs of some growth we do not need to see their numbers impacted by a hard winter.

Another thing you seem to see a lot more of now is eagles. It used to be rather rare to see an eagle but now you seem to see them all the time if there is a road kill or something else for them to feed on. It is one of those things when you see a mature eagle you still enjoy stopping and taking time to see it.

Well, they definitely were rolling up the sidewalk so to speak on Monday as far as the end of the summer season goes. Wife and I were up Highway-13 and across 442 and there was a steady stream of campers heading out the woods and back home. At one stop there were six to seven of them in a row trying to get out on Highway-13. Now those camping will be hunters or those that enjoy the color season up here in the U.P.

For those that like to camp in the peace and quiet of the U.P. or being out on the lake or walking through the woods now is the time to do it. I often tell my kids when life gets stressful and there are too many things to try to get done all at once, I am going up to camp and lock the gate from the inside so nobody can get in and I can have some peace and quiet. There are times when everybody should regress back to the day when there were rocking chairs on the front porch and the husband and wife just spent times sitting out there watching the world go by.

I guess this is why there is nothing better than spending time at camp where there is no TV and the recliner is just for sitting and snoozing in. Unless of course you want to sit and watch out the window for any wildlife that may go by, can life get any better?

I have put a lot of thought into this subject and even after really thinking it through I have come to the conclusion you really do not have to be a "rocket scientist" or even have an IQ above zero to be on "social media". Some of the things people say or even re-post do not do anything to improve their standing in public opinion. A prime example is where a poacher will go out and do something both stupid and illegal and then show his IQ by posting it on social media for the whole world to see. In this case the whole world can also include the

game warden. Then there are those that post something and are not smart enough to realize that once posted it is there forever hiding in some corner of the internet world and really never goes away even if you so-called delete it. If you use a firearm and have one in possession when you post something that you think may just be funny or humorous to impress your buddies it could be reposted and down the road may cause you problems.

You hear all the time where something happens and when law enforcement checks a person's phone and computer they run into a lot of things that were posted. As the saying goes, "There are really no secrets on the internet". Now is the time to start looking for all those items you need in the fall for hunting and camp that you put away in a certain place so you would know where they would be when you need them. It is almost a sure bet if you place it in one of those "sure to know where it is", places you will need a while to find it. There are a number of things of mine that fall into this category and were never seen again. In other words they are still in that special place where I placed them but I have no idea where it is.

At my age I have an "over the hill" philosophy, buy two to three of everything and this really improves your chance of finding one of them when you need one.

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BY RET. SGT. JOHN WALKER

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Default has occurred in a Mortgage made by TANYA M. VALLIER to The State Savings Bank Of Manistique, a Michigan banking corporation, dated August 19, 2013, and recorded August 23, 2013, as Document No. 201301884, in the Office of the Schoolcraft County Register of Deeds. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$44,767.88.

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3	\$26,546	\$2,213	\$37,777	\$3,149
4	\$31,980	\$2,665	\$45,510	\$3,793
5	\$37,414	\$3,118	\$53,243	\$4,437
6	\$42,848	\$3,571	\$60,976	\$5,082
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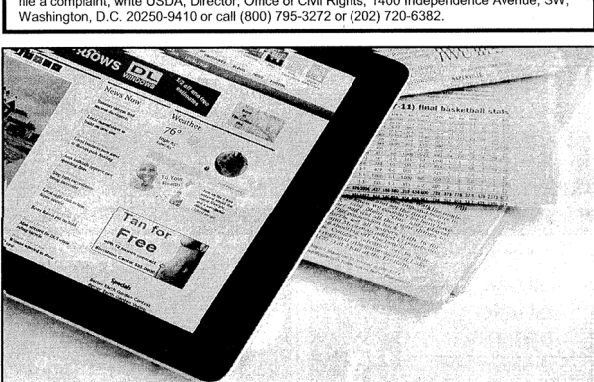
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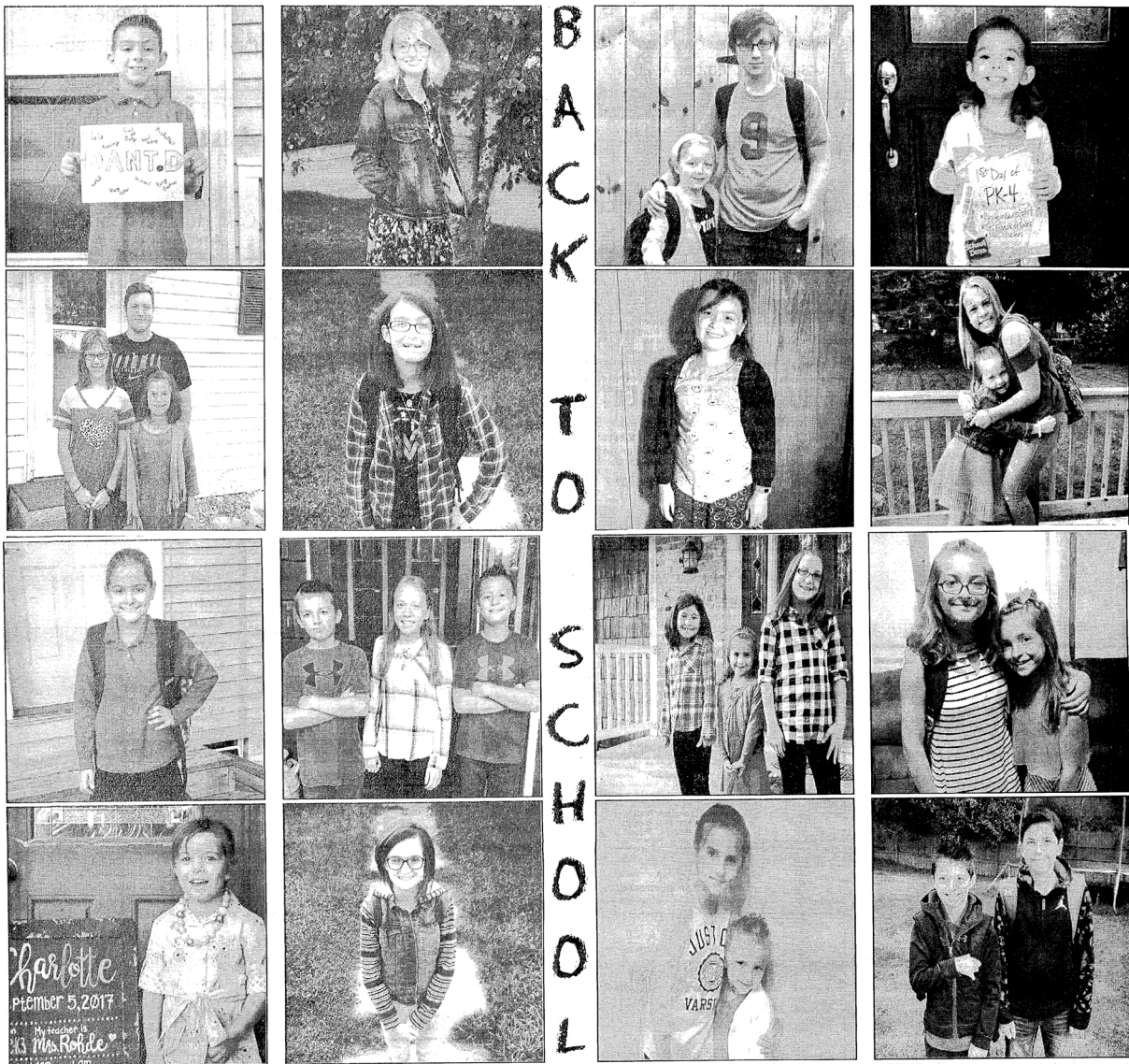
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