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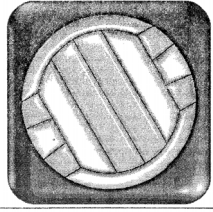
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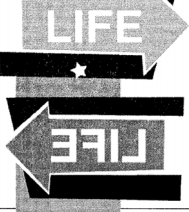
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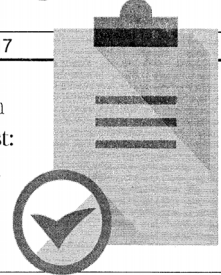
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Put health on your checklist: Attend a fair.  
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**Quick facts**

- The Manistique Lakeshore Campground is preparing to close the doors on its inaugural season.
- In an update provided to Manistique City Council Monday, the campground was described as a success.

## First season ending on high note

New campground has successful first year

MANISTIQUE — As the Manistique Lakeshore Campground nears the end of its first season, an update on the city's newest venture shows promise for the next year. The update was provided during Monday's meeting of the Manistique City Council.

According to Manistique Department of Public Works Superintendent Nick Bosanic, the work put into the campground paid off during its inaugural season.

"It's going great," he said. "I think one weekend, since it opened, we weren't full. We were close — we were four sites off."

"We're averaging way more than half full — I would say probably 35 sites a night during the week," he said. "Which is way better than we ever thought."

Bosanic noted that the new sign has been installed on U.S. Highway 2, directing new traffic into the campground.

"We're probably averaging 8-10 drive-ins since the sign's been installed," he said.

In addition to the sign, Bosanic said that word-of-mouth recommendations have also been bringing campers in.

"We just had a 60-day rental (booked) for next year," he said, adding that they also had one camper book a site for 55 days next year.

Councilperson Kim Shiner suggested that the campground limit the number of days one camper may rent a site.

"It might be something that we want to think about in the long run," she said. "I've had experience with other campgrounds ... and they've allocated only so many sites for long term rentals because it really does affect your tourists who are coming in."

Bosanic said they'd keep an eye on the long-term rentals. He also stated that employees ensure the

**Campground continued on A7**



Pioneer Tribune photo  
Students of the newly implemented THEO program study and observe tree fragments while taking notes Wednesday.

## LOGGING THE(O) TIME

Board hears update on new timber program, MSHAA recognition

MANISTIQUE — Two programs received special attention during the most recent meeting of the Manistique Area Schools Board of Education. Updates on both the newly instituted Timber Harvesting Equipment Operator course and the long-standing MSHAA sports program were given.

According to MAS Superintendent Maryann Boddy, the district first applied in February to establish the THEO program inside the building housing the Jack Reque Alternative High School and Z-Tec. By March, the program had been approved by the Michigan Department of Education.

Boddy noted that THEO — a collaboration between MAS and the Zellar family, which owns the building and surrounding property — is the first of its kind in the state. It is part

of the district's increased focus on career and technical education programs.

According to Boddy, an Roland Machinery's Forestry Division Manager Perry Hughes recently offered to lend the program a piece of harvesting equipment — worth approximately \$300,000 — on which to train. The company has a location in Escanaba.

"(They'll) bring that in and their on-staff trainer to our site at Z-Tec for a week," she explained. "So the kids can actually get up into the cab of a piece of machinery."

We have other equipment that's being donated, but this is quite a gesture," she added. "We're really excited about that."

The instructor for the THEO program, Joe Bugay, recently joined the Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District teaching staff in

the Career and Technical Education department. Prior to signing on to teach the course, Bugay had taught similar curriculum at Bay College and owns a logging business.

Boddy said Wednesday that the students have had a busy first week of school — attending the Great Lakes Logging and Heavy Equipment Expo in Escanaba last Friday, learning nomenclature and the language of the industry, and exploring outside to identify trees.

"They will be visiting the Environmental Lab on Friday to see the work that is taking place there," she said.

**School programs continued on A7**

## And the winners are: Results from annual MMA car show announced

Participants from near, far travel for variety of categories

MANISTIQUE — The results of the Manistique Merchants Association Car Show have been released.

A total of 110 vehicles were register in this year's show — its 21st year. The show fielded a near record last year with 180 registrations. Windy and cool weather could have played a role in this year's decreased numbers.

Winners placed in the following categories:

**Merchants Best of Show**  
Don Benoit, Wells, 1947 Chevrolet 2-door Coupe Hot Rod

**Mayor's Choice**  
Bill and Wanda Anstine, Traverse City, 1948 Chevrolet Fleetmaster Convertible

**Kewadin Casino's Best of Show**  
Craig Gundry, Escanaba, 1934 Chevrolet

**3-window Coupe**  
**Longest Distance Driven**  
Sponsor: Gray Wolf Lodge  
Tim Magnusson, Minnetonka, Minn., 1970 Mustang Boss 302

**Best Ford — Chuck Renze Ford**  
Tim Magnusson, 1970 Mustang Boss 302

**Best GM — Curran Chevrolet**  
Fred Smith, Rudyard, 1960 Chevrolet Impala

**Best MOPAR — Schoolcraft Collision**  
Greg Mulligan, Manistique, 1955 Dodge Power Wagon

**Best Paint Finish — Auto Value**  
Mike Hinkson, Manistique, 1969 Oldsmobile Cutlass

**Class A Cars up to 1949**  
Stock  
First place, Jim Weber, Manistique, 1949 Chevrolet Deluxe Fleetline

**Class B Coupes up to 1949 Modified**  
First place, Don Benoit, 1947 Chevrolet 2-door Coupe Hot Rod; Second place, Craig Gundry, 1934 Chevrolet 3-window Coupe

**Class BB Sedans up to 1949 Modified**  
First place, Kent and Melanie Betke, Lake Leelanau, Mich., 1929 Hupmobile 4-door Sedan; Second place, Mike and Marti Johnson, Roscommon, Mich., 1933 Ford Tudor Sedan

**Class C Cars 1950-1959 Stock**  
First place, Dennis Kivioja, Wells, 1955

**Car show results continued on A7**

## Health fair will return Oct. 14

Event boasts more family-friendly fun, new booths

MANISTIQUE — The Schoolcraft County Health Fair is set to take place Oct. 14. The event will embrace "Uniting for Quality Health" theme this year — promoting interactive, family-friendly fun for people of all ages.

The event is set to take place 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

The Schoolcraft County Health Fair Committee has decided upon a few new offerings for the 2017 event. These include:

- Teddy Bear Clinic: Children may take their favorite stuffed animals to see Dr. Kristi King and her nurse for a thorough check up. Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital will be giving out stuffed animals and a surprise gift to all of the children who attend.
- Southtown Sprint: IQ Designs staff will be organizing a one-mile course on Southtown Drive. The course will open at 9 a.m. with start times every 30 minutes. Participants may walk or run and try to beat the time they guessed they'd end with. Participants may run more than one mile if they desire during the 30-minute period. Sign up will take place on location. The run is free and people of all ages are encouraged to participate.
- Outdoor Harvest and Artisan Tents: SMH is inviting vendors to set up harvest tents or artisan displays outdoors and throughout the hospital. There is a rain plan in place if weather does not cooperate. Space is limited, so interested farmers or artists should contact Kelley Lentz at 341-3251 to register.
- Fast Pass: Community members will be able to call ahead to schedule screening tests and health talks. The schedule will be available Oct. 1 and those interested may call 341-3293 or register at the Rural

**Health fair continued on A7**

**Upcoming Events**

**Sept. 14** — Community Action Agency Emergency Food Assistance Program Food Distribution, Manistique VFW, 9 a.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.



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Quick facts

- The Schoolcraft County Parent Coalition will be hosting a "Guiding Good Choices" workshop this fall.
- The workshop begins Sept. 27 and is aimed toward parents or caregivers of children ages nine to 14.

## Parent coalition hosts 'choices' workshop for parents, caregivers

MANISTIQUE – A "Guiding Good Choices" workshop will be offered this fall in Schoolcraft County. Parents and caregivers will learn how to strengthen their bonds with their children and reduce the risk that their children will use drugs.

The five-week program will be held at Emerald Elementary School every Wednesday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. starting Sept. 27.

"Guiding Good Choices is an interactive program for all parents and caregivers of children ages nine to 14. In each session, parents will learn specific strategies to help their children avoid drug use and other adolescent problem behaviors; and develop into healthy adults.

Parents will learn to set clear family guidelines on drugs, as well as learn and practice skills to strengthen family bonds, help their children develop healthy behaviors, and increase children's involvement in the family.

The "Guiding Good Choices" sessions cover the following skills:

**Session One- Getting Started: How to Prevent Drug Use in Your Family.** Parents learn about the nature and extent of the drug problem among teenagers and decide for themselves how they want to prevent problems in their own families.

**Session Two-Setting Guidelines: How to Develop Healthy Beliefs and Clear Standards.** Parents

develop clear family guidelines and expectations for behavior.

**Session Three- Avoiding Trouble: How to Say No to Drugs.** Children and parents are invited to this session. They learn skills children can use for staying out of trouble and keeping their friends, while still having fun.

**Session Four-Managing Conflict: How to Control and Express Your Anger Constructively.** Parents learn to manage family conflict in a way that maintains and strengthens bonds with their children.

**Session Five- Involving Everyone: How to Strengthen Family Bonds.** Parents learn ways to strengthen family bonds and increase children's involvement in their family in their teen years. Parents also learn how to create a parent support network.

Workshop activities are developed by Dr. J. David Hawkins and Dr. Richard F. Catalano of the University of Washington.

Their research has shown that when children are bonded to their parents, school and non-drug using peers, they are less likely to get involved in drug use or other adolescent problem behaviors.

This five-week series is being offered free of charge to the community by Schoolcraft County Communities That Care Coalition. For more information or to register for this series, contact Jackie Jencero or Jennifer Levins at Great Lakes Recovery Centers at (906) 451-5402.

## Lake Superior light gets new weather buoy to collect data on wave height, water temp

MARQUETTE – Stannard Rock Light is considered the most remote lighthouse in North America. The site now also boasts a major, high-tech upgrade in the form of a new, state-of-the-art weather buoy.

The shallow reef that the lighthouse is built on (less than five feet deep in some spots), known as Stannard Rock, is 45 miles due north of Marquette and is also one of the most popular fishing spots on Lake Superior. The remote location is also ideal for a wide range of Great Lakes weather and climate research.

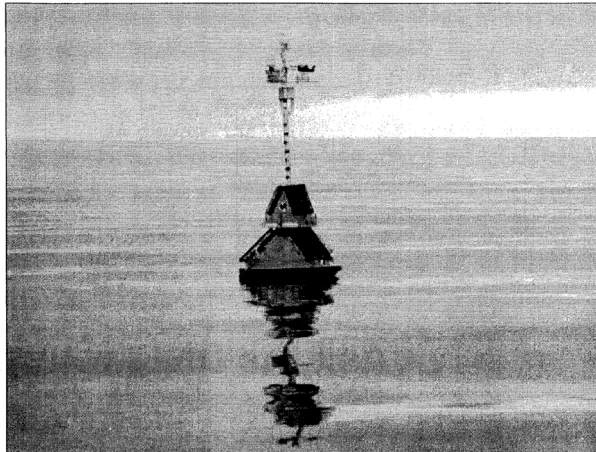
Scientists from the Superior Watershed Partnership and Lentic Environmental Services recently made the boat trip to Stannard Rock to deploy the buoy in about 67 feet of water approximately one mile north of the lighthouse. The buoy, which was funded by a grant from the Great Lakes Observing System, will provide critical data on wave height, water temperature, wind speed, and other weather variables.

The hour-by-hour data will be transmitted via satellite and posted to various websites, such as the Great Lakes Observing System, the National Data Buoy Center, and the SWP. It is worth noting that while Stannard reef is less than five feet deep, the deepest spot on Lake Superior (1,333 feet) is located about 35 miles southeast of the lighthouse, north of the city of Munising.

"Weather data has been collected at the top of the lighthouse for many years, but this is the first time that mariners will be able to see exactly what the waves are doing out there as well," said Dr. John Lenters, a senior scientist at LES and contractor for SWP.

Given the long trek out to Stannard Rock, scientists hope the new data will be useful for boaters in making better-informed decisions before heading out to the reef.

"We also anticipate that the information will be helpful for the Coast Guard, the Great Lakes Evaporation Network, and the National Weather Service," said Lenters. "Particularly in improving



Courtesy photo

Above, the new, state-of-the-art weather buoy near the Stannard Rock Light is shown.

wave models and forecasts that are currently being generated for the Great Lakes."

Scientists were assisted by members of the SWP Great Lakes Conservation Corps, an undergraduate student from Northern Michigan University, and Kimar's Charters out of Shelter Bay. GLCC crew members installed a historic plaque on the lighthouse during the trip.

Monitoring data will further boater safety, weather forecasting, climate research, and regional upland to adaptation plans. In November of 2015 a similar GLOS buoy that was deployed near Marquette recorded wave heights of up to 24 feet.

The Superior Watershed Partnership has owned the lighthouse since 2015 and has expanded opportunities for U.S. and Canadian universities, agencies, and Great Lakes organizations to conduct a wide range of climate monitoring and research at the site. In fact, the

Meteorological Service of Canada has credited monitoring data from Stannard Rock Light for more accurate regional weather forecasts.

Retired Sen. Carl Levin (D-Michigan) said he is pleased to see the lighthouse being used for such beneficial projects.

"I worked to pass the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act in 2000 to allow for just this sort of transfer, which will preserve a historic treasure and give the community a new tool to promote tourism and encourage respect for the natural wonder and maritime history of our Great Lakes," said Levin.

The SWP is also partnering with the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office to develop a Historic Structure Report for Stannard Rock Light to enhance public education of Michigan's unique maritime history. An HSR is the first step in developing a rehabilitation plan that allows SHPO and the SWP to promote public support and leverage resources to provide for long-term preservation of these significant maritime resources.

For more information please contact Geri Grant of the Superior Watershed Partnership at (906)228-6095, ext. 13 or geri@superiorwatersheds.org.

## Bay College to host Holocaust survivor for Oct. 3 presentation

ESCANABA – Bay College Campus Activities Board and the Bay College Diversity Committee will host Holocaust survivor Peter Stein Oct. 3.



Peter Stein

the Genocide and Holocaust Studies Center. In this unforgettable lecture, Stein speaks about his family and their experiences during the Nazi occupation of Czechoslovakia. Introducing his family members and sharing their experiences as well as his own, Stein explores the larger historical context of World War II, antisemitism, and the Holocaust.

Stein's father and eight members of his father's family were arrested and eventually sent to Auschwitz where everyone except his father was murdered. He and his mother experienced food shortages, several allied air attacks, and general chaos.

Stein arrived in New York City when he was 12 years old, learned English, and became Americanized.

He graduated from the City College of New York and then attained his Ph.D. in sociology from Princeton University.

Stein has taught at Rutgers University, CUNY, and William Paterson University in New Jersey where he served as the director of

the larger historical context of World War II, antisemitism, and the Holocaust. Stein visits the Besse Theater on the Escanaba Campus of Bay College at 7 p.m. EST Tuesday, Oct. 3.

Tickets for the Besse Theater are just \$1 for students, and \$5 general admission. Tickets can be purchased in person at the Student Accounts Office in the Student Services Building, or online at <http://baycollege.tix.com>.

This presentation is part of the Campus Activities Board schedule of events, and more information can be found at <http://www.baycollege.edu/cab> or the CAB Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/baycab>.

### News Brief

#### Free 'Better Health Seminar' scheduled Sept. 21

MANISTIQUE – A free Diabetes – Links to Better Health Seminar will be held Sept. 21. The seminar is for people with diabetes, pre-diabetic, or those at risk.

The workshop will teach practical strategies for improving physical and mental health,

managing and losing weight, and the keys for long-term success in managing diabetes.

The seminar will be held at 6 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 315 W. Walnut St. in Manistique.

A vegetarian meal is provided. Pre-registration is appreciated by calling 341-8114.

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The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

Please take further notice that the recommended budgets are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk, Schoolcraft County Courthouse, Room 164, Manistique, Michigan.


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## News Briefs

### Fall Craft Show set in Isabella September 23

ISABELLA, Mich. — The second annual Fall Craft Show will be held at the Isabella Community Hall Sept. 23.

The event takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch will be available for purchase.

The hall is located south of U.S. Highway 2 on County Road 495, also known as LL Road.

### National Forest invites public to join 'talks'

GLADSTONE — The Hiawatha National Forest, in an effort to work in collaboration with its neighbors, will host "conversation" opportunities Sept. 19 and 20.

The Forest Service tagline of "Caring for the Land and Serving People" is the aim of the collaboration. To achieve this, the Forest Service is asking area residents to participate.

The public is invited to schedule a one-on-one conversation with a USFS National Collaboration Team member to discuss ideas about how the Forest Service could work differently to benefit local communities and the National Forest's resources.

Appointment dates and locations are: Sept. 19 in Munising or St. Ignace; and Sept. 20 in Rapid River or Brimley.

Various dates are available via phone call.

Registration is required and is available by emailing Joel Olson at [ajolson@fs.fed.us](mailto:ajolson@fs.fed.us) by Sept. 13.

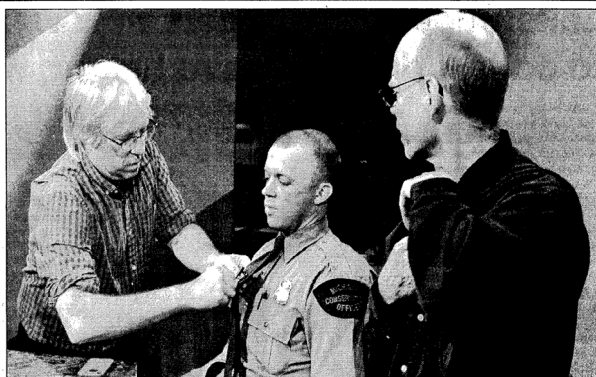


Photo courtesy DNR  
"Ask the DNR" producer and director Bob Thomson takes a microphone off Michigan Department of Natural Resources Conservation Officer Bobby Watson, while DNR park supervisor Doug Barry looks on during last season.

## 'Ask the DNR' returns tonight

MARQUETTE — A new season of the live "Ask the DNR" question-and-answer program kicks Thursday night on WNMU-TV13 in Marquette.

"We are excited to begin another series of programs answering viewer questions live on the air," said John Pepin, Michigan Department of Natural Resources deputy public information officer. "These shows allow callers and viewers to learn a great deal about the Upper Peninsula's fantastic natural resources and how the DNR is working hard to ensure greater opportunities to enjoy those resources."

The first hour-long program of the

upcoming season will air live at 8 p.m. EDT, Thursday Sept. 14, be repeated at noon Sept. 15, and be available a week later online.

Scheduled DNR staffers to appear on this month's program include George Madison, fisheries biologist, Mark Leadman, conservation officer, Doug Rich, western U.P. district parks and recreation division supervisor and Brian Roell, wildlife biologist.

Likely topics will include grouse hunting season, pre-deer season, camping and fall fishing, however, the discussion is typically wide-

-ranging, based on viewer questions.

Prior to the program, questions for "Ask the DNR" can be emailed to John Pepin at [pepinj@mn.dnr.state.mi.us](mailto:pepinj@mn.dnr.state.mi.us). Questions emailed should be received by 2 p.m. Sept. 14 to be included on the show.

To phone questions in during the live telecast, call 1-800-227-9668.

"Ask the DNR" is produced five times each season. Dates for this season's live broadcasts include Sept. 14, Nov. 2, Dec. 7, April 21 and May 17. Previous programs may be viewed online at: <http://wnmuvideo.nmu.edu/program/ask-dnr/episodes/>.

## OBITUARIES

### Robert G. Johnson



Robert G. Johnson

MANISTIQUE — Robert G. Johnson, 82, of Manistique, Mich., passed away Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017, at his home in Hiawatha Township.

He was born Jan. 7, 1935, in Nahma, Mich., the son of George and Marie (Gowin) Johnson and was raised in the Isabella area. He attended school in Garden and graduated from Cooks High School as Valedictorian with the Class of 1953.

Following school, he went to work with his uncles doing construction in various cities throughout Lower Michigan. He was employed as a laborer and foreman upgrading city streets for a contractor in Kalamazoo. Bob later worked for a contractor in Saginaw on highway and airport construction in Michigan, Illinois and Indiana as a laborer and foreman.

On Feb. 9, 1963, he married the former Ruth Ann Burns at St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistique.

In 1967 Bob went to work for Hoholik Plumbing and Heating in Manistique as their accountant. He retired from Hoholik Enterprises after 30 years.

Bob and Ruth Ann started their family in the Isabella area and moved to Manistique in 1977 to be closer to Bob's work and their children's school. Towards retirement, Bob and Ruth Ann purchased a home on Riverview Drive where they enjoyed the river and a little country living.

Bob served on the Cooks School Board and as secretary of the Big Bay de Noc School Board. During the consolidation of the Nahma, Garden and Cooks schools, he and Board President Carl Van Remortel went to Detroit to obtain a one million dollar school bond for the new school at Garden Corners.

He enjoyed going out to the Nah-

ma area hunting with his friends and was an avid fan of the Green Bay Packers and Detroit Tigers. In earlier years, he and Ruth Ann enjoyed camping with their family and friends at Corner Lake and traveling throughout the United States and parts of Canada. He was also a member of the U.P. Whiteails Association in Manistique.

Bob is survived by his loving wife, Ruth Ann Johnson of Manistique; children, Kevin Johnson (Brenda Weber) of Manistique, Steven (Cindy) Johnson of Manistique and Angela Martinez of Ludington, Mich.; grandchildren, Andrew (Danielle Smithson) and Lexi Johnson, Heather and Brianna Weaver, Angelica and Nicole Martinez and Ashley Johnson; three great-grandchildren; brother, Donald Johnson of Escanaba; sisters, Mary Ann Popour of New Baltimore, Mich., Carolyn Miller of Manistique and Marcy (Richard) Tatow of Shelby Township, Mich.; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother-in-laws, Duane Popour, John Miller and Paul Perry; and his sister-in-laws, Helen Perry and Sue Johnson.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 16, at St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistique. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at noon at the church, with Father Ben Paris officiating. A luncheon will immediately follow at the church. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the charity of your choice.

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

## Bay to host two college night programs

ESCANABA — Bay College will soon host two college night programs. The first is Sept. 17 on the Escanaba Bay College Campus. The event will be held in the Besse Center from 6-7:30 p.m. The second is Sept. 18 on the Iron Mountain Bay College West Campus from 6-7:30 p.m. (CST).

College Night provides high school juniors, seniors, parents, college students, and interested community members an opportunity to meet and talk with college representatives from both in-state and out-of-state institutions. Educational opportunities available in the armed services will also be presented.

Jessica LaMarch, director of

Admissions at Bay College, is excited about the events.

"We're hoping students and their parents take advantage of this opportunity to visit campus and gather information about college options," said LaMarch. "It's important to find the right fit in many categories, including financial criteria, program availability, and institutional personality."

Almost 50 different college/military representatives from Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Indiana will be present for the event. The list includes large and small public colleges and universities, private colleges, and armed services opportunities.

The following colleges and

armed services will be represented at College Night 2017: Advanced Welding Institute, Albion College, Baker College, Bay College, Bellin College, Cardinal Stritch University, Central Michigan University, College for Creative Studies, Concordia University — Wisconsin, Douglas J. Aveda Institutes, Ferris State University, Finlandia University, Gogebic Community College, Grand Valley State University, Lake Superior State University, Lakeland College, Lawrence Technological University, Lawrence University, Michigan Army National Guard, Michigan State University, Michigan Technological University, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Northern

Michigan University, Northwood University, Oakland University, Olivet College, Paul Mitchell The School, Ripon College, Saginaw Valley State University, St. Norbert College, Student Financial Services Bureau, University of Michigan — Ann Arbor, University of Michigan — Flint, University of Saint Francis — Fort Wayne Indiana, University of Wisconsin — Green Bay, University of Wisconsin — La Crosse, University of Wisconsin — Marinette, University of Wisconsin — Oshkosh, University of Wisconsin — Stout, US Army, US Naval Academy, Vermillion Community College, and Western Michigan University.

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## COUNSELING CORNER

School counselors are certainly incredibly busy people. But our advice is that it's your job this school year to make sure they are even busier. We don't mean creating busy work, but rather taking advantage of all your school counselors have to offer.

School counselors can offer a wide range of assistance to both students and parents, yet, unfortunately, most parents know little just how much their child's school counselor can offer. So this year, early in your child's school year, make an effort to get to know his or her counselor and make the most of this very valuable educational resource.

All school counselors have a great deal of training and are certified or licensed by the state. In most states school counselors are required to hold at least a Masters degree.

These are professionals who are trained to understand young people and help them reach their educational goals. Through stan-

dardized testing and monitoring of classroom performance, counselors can advise teachers, students and parents about classes offering the appropriate challenges and the best educational outcomes.

That guidance portion of a school counselor's work progresses with older students to advising them on which classes can best fulfill their educational and career goals, as well as explaining options for colleges, technical training or other directions after high school.

And, as trained professional counselors, school counselors can also assist students facing potential problem areas. From drug issues to bullying situations to improving study skills, school counselors are there to help students, and families, better handle the challenges that students today face. They don't have magic wands but can offer proven techniques and approaches that can assist in coping with problem areas. Don't wait for a crisis to talk

with your child's school counselor. An introductory meeting early in the year provides a chance to meet the counselor, to discuss your child, and to learn what assistance might be available.

Even more important is to contact that counselor quickly when problems first appear. Slipping grades or abrupt changes in a child's attitude, behavior or friends, can all be signs that help is needed. That's when a professional counselor can make a real difference.

School counselors are professionals who have a great deal to offer our children. When we don't take advantage of their training, skills and experience, we're only shortchanging ourselves, our children and our children's educational experience.

*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.*

### Lifestyles Brief

#### Bay College releases names of degree-earners for summer semester

ESCANABA — Bay de Noc Community College recently announced the names of students who completed all of the

requirements for an associate degree or certificate during the summer semester. The graduates from the local

area who earned Associate in Arts degrees, include: Colton Richard, Garden, and Brett LaLonde, Manistique.

## THE DINNER DIVA

By LEANNE ELY

I've been one of kale's biggest cheerleaders since the 80s, back before this ultimate leafy green was a nutrition trend.

I personally believe that kale is the most nutritious food you can eat. Period.

There's a reason why this green is being referred to as "the New Beef," but don't think for one second that this is a new vegetable.

I will admit that while I am now a kale aficionado, when I was in my 20s, I thought kale was only good for garnishing a plate. Boy was I wrong!

It wasn't until I bought a home outside of Charlotte, when my kids were little, that I started to see the benefits of kale. That's because the garden out behind my new house was chock full of kale. The lady who sold the house to me tried to tell me how delicious kale was. I didn't believe her, but once I started to actually (gasp) try it, I fell in love.

What does kale have going for it?

- Kale is a cruciferous veggie. It's packed with sulfur, which makes it a wonderful detox food. Your liver will love you for eating kale.

- Calorie per calorie, there's more calcium in kale than there is in milk.

- Kale contains flavonoids, carotenoids and other antioxidants.
- Kale contains more iron than beef, per calorie.

- The Vitamin C and Vitamin K in kale will aid in bone health and joint flexibility.



Leanne Ely

- Kale acts as an anti-inflammatory within the body.

- Kale is high in fiber and low in calories.

- Kale aids in digestion and keeps you regular.

- And, if you cook it right, kale can be scrumptious. Operative word being "if".

Because over-cooked kale equals gross.

Personally, I like kale best in my green juices along with apple, carrot, ginger, lemon and spinach. But I know that's not for everyone.

So, if you'd like to join me on the kale bandwagon, the following tips will help you develop a taste for this magical leafy green:

- Starting with clean kale, remove the leaves from those stiff inner stalks. Dry the heck out of those kale leaves and give them a spritz of olive oil and a sprinkle of salt. Roast them in the oven

until crispy and golden (about ten minutes). Kale chips are a favorite in my house.

- Before serving a bowl of soup, add a couple handfuls of kale in the pot.

- Add kale leaves to your salads and stir fries.

- Everything is better with bacon. Cook your kale for a couple of minutes in bacon fat. When it's bright green, it's ready to eat.

- Massage your kale leaves with olive oil, lemon juice and coarse salt. This wilts the leaves without having to cook them and leaves you with beautiful tender green kale perfect for a salad.

- What's your favorite way to eat kale?

You can find tons of recipes with kale at [www.savingdinner.com](http://www.savingdinner.com)

Leanne Ely is a NYT bestselling author and the creator of <http://SavingDinner.com>, the original menu planning website, bringing families back to the dinner table for over 15 years.

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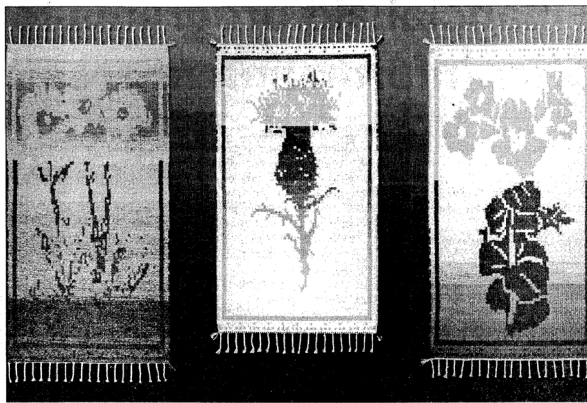
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Above, Carol Irving's "Michigan's Endangered Wildflowers", a handwoven triptych, will be showcased in the ArtPrize competition in downtown Grand Rapids. The competition takes place throughout the city Sept. 20-Oct. 8.

## UP artist to be showcased in Grand Rapids' ArtPrize

ESCANABA — Award winning artist Carol Irving announced that three of her Handwoven Wall Hangings were selected for a group art exhibition. She is among other artists featured at the ninth annual ArtPrize in Grand Rapids.

Irving's selected piece is called "Michigan's Endangered Wildflowers", a handwoven triptych, a series of three handwoven wall hangings (wool and linen, sizes are 3x5 feet each). This is her third acceptance to ArtPrize, attending in 2015 and 2016 as well.

Each fall, artists from all over the world display their work in Grand Rapids for 19 days to compete for \$500,000 in cash prizes.

ArtPrize is a radically open, independently organized international art competition and a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

For 19 days, three square miles of downtown Grand Rapids becomes an open playing field where anyone can find a voice in the conversation about what art is and why it matters. Art from around the world pops up in every

inch of downtown, and it's all free and open to the public.

It's unorthodox, highly disruptive, and undeniably intriguing to the art world and the public alike. ArtPrize 9 will take place Sept. 20-Oct. 8. Irving's work will be exhibited at The Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum, 1 of 177 venues that make up ArtPrize 9. Her vote number is 65605.

Irving's work was selected through an open call for artists conducted earlier this year. ArtPrize, has become a global phenomenon with hundreds of thousands of dollars given away via public vote and juried selections.

Through a process of Public Vote and Juried Awards, two \$200,000 grand prizes and eight category awards — more than \$500,000 — is awarded. Half is decided by public vote, and half is decided by a jury of art experts. Irving encourages anyone who will be in the Grand Rapids area during ArtPrize, to view the artwork and vote.

Irving currently divides her time

between her family, a working studio, and as an accountant for a growing computer services company. When she is not calculating numbers for her job she can be found in her weaving studio calculating what she will need to create her next project.

"Michigan has many unique habitats and is home to many endangered and special species of plants," she said. "My entry will include three Handwoven Wall Hangings, bringing attention to Michigan's Endangered Wildflower Species.

These three Wall Hangings represent a new direction in my work, drawing on my education in Botanical Sciences and love of my natural surroundings," she continued. "This entry is a reflection of my interests, travels and research in the botanical world of Michigan. With this entry I hope to bring attention to Michigan's many Wildflowers and those that are in danger of losing."

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Financial aid programs to offer information in area

LANSING - Michigan families and students looking for help paying for college should have the date for one of MI Student Aid's new financial aid traveling one-stop shops visiting this Upper Peninsula this month, according to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Under the banner "MI College, MI Future, MI Doorstep," Treasury's MI Student Aid Outreach Team is visiting communities across the Upper Peninsula to educate and inform students and their families about options for paying for college.

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lights. Using a combination of natural and artificial light helps plants better tolerate the less-than-ideal indoor growing environment. Isolate these plants from your indoor houseplant collection until you are sure no insects tagged along.

the pebbles below the pot. As this water evaporates, it increases the humidity around the plants. You'll also eliminate the amount of time spent and mess made when pouring off the excess water that collects in the saucer.

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

BY CONNIE FRENTEFEE

It's here! Our annual Open House is scheduled for this Thursday between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. It is a fun-filled day of karaoke, a delicious lunch of BBQ ribs with all the fixings.

to return back to Manistique. We had several lucky winners last year. The Feeding America Food Truck is returning to Manistique. Unfortunately, not this month.

for Nov. 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the senior center (101 Main St.). You certainly want to check this out if you are looking for a unique gift or wanting to pick up some fresh homemade goodies.

Don't forget to join us for the "Meet and Greet" of our local state, city, sheriff, and tribal police officers. This event will be held on Sept. 21 from 10 a.m. to noon.

We are asking for an \$8 donation to cover the cost of the transportation. There will be a stop for dinner on the way (Dutch treat).

bridge Sept. 8: first-Ray Krall, second-George Hough, third-George Lowman, fourth-Rosie Krall, fifth-Larry Savoie.

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## Health fair

**Health Clinic.**  
Not all appointments will be available prior to the health fair, so people will still be able to walk in and register for a test if there is space available.  
Some of the screens accepting pre-registration include: skin cancer checks, pulmonary function tests, bone density, peripheral artery disease, diabetic foot checks, and more.  
**New lab offering:** This year SMH lab will be offering a new Vitamin D test for \$10.  
Vitamin D is an important vitamin that has powerful effects on several systems throughout the body.  
Other \$15 lab tests offered include: full lipid panel (cholesterol, triglycerides, HDL and LDL - eight hour fasting recommended), thyroid stimulating hormone, and Glycohemoglobin A1C.

These tests are not part of the Fast Pass and registration is required the day of the health fair.  
**Mini Spa services:** 6032 Cutting Crew will be providing on-site mini-manicures in the new "wellness wing" of the health fair with other alternative health and wellness vendors. Appointments will be available in advance after Oct. 1.  
**Diabetic Feet and Nail Checks:** SMH Wound Care Specialist Brenda Barber will be assessing feet during the fair to promote preventive care at home.  
Children may also participate in a "fun feet" project with this department.  
**Promoting Brain Health:** Computer "brain games" and information about mental health services at SMH will be available with Janet Pratt, psychiatric

nurse practitioner.  
**Health Talks:** This year, there will be a variety of speakers hosting quick, 30-minute health talks. Community members may register for the seminars they wish to attend after Oct. 1 with the new "Fast Pass".  
Some of the speakers include: Randy Olli, MD (Men's Health); Kristin Hieshetter, DC (Leptin: The Hormone You Never Heard of); Brenda Barber, FNP-BC, Wound Care Specialist (At Home First Aid: Burns, Animal Bites, Cuts/Abrasions); Savannah Rosebush (Patient Portal User Guide).  
Community vendors that have registered thus far include: Schoolcraft County CAN Council; Schoolcraft County Citizens Corps; The Mecca: Integrated Health; Dalgood Angus Cattle Ranch; Dandou's

Rough Acres; Gift of Life Michigan; Michigan State Police; Putvin Health Mart Drug Store; North Star Oils; 6032 Cutting Crew; Northern Pet Tails Resort; Schoolcraft County Memorial Care Facility; Young Living Essential Oils; Great Start Growing Families Home Visiting Program; Kids Always Ride Safely; Love Lite Tree - SMH Auxiliary; Green Bay Oncology; Woodland Assisted Living; Northern Comfort Specialized Care; Schoolcraft Community Action Agency; Healing Garden; Bushido Karate; Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital departments.  
Interested vendors may register until Sept. 30 for \$15 by calling Sara Giles at 341-3293.  
For more information and on-line registration, visit [www.scmh.org/community/schoolcrafthealthfair2017/](http://www.scmh.org/community/schoolcrafthealthfair2017/).

## School programs

The school's participation in the Michigan High School Athletic Association was also highlighted during the MAS meeting.  
Board members heard a letter from the private, not-for-profit corporation which includes more than 1,500 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools throughout the state of Michigan.  
"The MHSAA would like to

congratulate Manistique High School for receiving no negative officials' reports of concern, ejection, or sportsmanship during the previous (2016-17) school year," read Stacey Cunningham, the board's secretary. "It is a credit to your student athletes, coaches, administration, staff, and community for demonstrating such positive sportsmanship throughout the entire school year."

## Campground

campground stays clean.  
Councilperson Rick Hollister asked if the firewood sales at the campground had been successful.  
"Firewood sales are going well," Bosonic said. "We had 17 bundles sold last Friday."  
Additions to the campground will likely include walking paths so campers may easily access the Manistique River Bridge and the businesses directly across from the campground on U.S. Highway 2.  
Adjustments to the tent sites will also be made, as sites numbers one, two, and three are "too close together."

"The small things like ... people love that," Bosonic said. The campground will close for the season Nov. 1 and open again May 1, 2018.  
In its first season, the campground was not only rated highly by the Good Sam RV Club, it was also listed on CampgroundViews.com, where potential guests can virtually tour the campground, see detailed photos, read about the facilities, and write reviews.  
"Manistique Lakeshore Campground is an excellent example of a municipality doing things right," stated Mark Koep, founder and CEO of CampgroundViews.com. "We provide the information that modern campers crave when planning their big camping adventures and we are sure they will get excited about this location."

More information and the video tour can be found on the company's website: [www.campgroundviews.com/listing/manistique-lakeshore-campground/](http://www.campgroundviews.com/listing/manistique-lakeshore-campground/).

As for the day-use pavilion, Bosonic said there's been plenty of use in the public space. He also noted that he has some ideas for the campground, such as having a campground host, movie nights, or communal breakfast opportunities among campers.

## Car show results

Ford Crown Victoria; Second place, Duane Sinaeve, Manistique, 1963 Studebaker Avanti  
**Class CC Roadsters up to 1949 Modified**  
First place, Bill and Wanda Anstine, Traverse City, Mich., 1948 Chevrolet Fleetmaster Coupe  
**Class D Cars 1950-1959 Modified**  
First place, Fred Smith, 1960 Chevrolet Impala; Second place, Ed and Judy Oswald, Farmington, Mich., 1957 Chevrolet BelAir Sport Coupe  
**Class E Stock**  
First place, Dennis and Lisa Menard, Escanaba, 1969 Plymouth Roadrunner; Second place, Fred Smith, 1970 Pontiac GTO

Chevelle SS; Second place, Bryon Johnson, Manistique, 1977 Chevrolet Corvette  
**Class N Cars 1986-Present Stock**  
First place, Bill Leeson, Grayling, 2007 Pontiac Solstice; Second place, Karen Beckmann, Ishpeming, 2006 Dodge Daytona  
**Class P**  
First place, Tony Lockhart, Escanaba, 2010 Chevrolet Camaro SS; Second place, Terry Allard, Wells, 2000 Mitsubishi Eclipse  
**Class Q**  
First place, Dave Broeders, Bark River, 1948 Dodge Truck  
**Class QQ**  
First place, Greg Mulligan, 1955 Dodge Power Wagon; Second place, Barb Landis, Manistique, 1954 International Harvester  
**Class T**  
First place, Clint Stauffer,

Roscommon, Mich., 1928 Ford "Model A" Pick-up; Second place, Jerry Mattson, Whitehall, Mich., 1948 Ford F-1 Pick-up  
**Class TT Trucks 1941-1969 Modified**  
First place, Bryon Johnson, 1955 Chevrolet 3100 Pick-up; Second place, Verle and Sharon Wetherwax, Clio, Mich., 1951 Chevrolet 3100 Pick-up  
**Class V Trucks 1970-Present Stock**  
First place, Dave Weisert, Bark River, 1980 pick-up; Second place, Paul Turek, Manistique, Mich., 1972 Chevrolet C-10 Pick-up.  
**Class VV**  
First place, Tom and Sally Peppin, Bark River, 1999 Chevrolet S-10 Pick-up; Second place, Terry Cody, Ishpeming, 1999 Ford

F-350 Pick-up  
**Class W Trucks 1970-Present Modified**  
First place, Mike Olsen, Manistique, 1983 Jeep CJ7; Second place, Darrell Dixon, Manistique, Mich., 1990 Chevrolet 454SS Pick-up.  
**Class WW**  
First place, Markie and Shirley Sumter, Manistique, 2004 Jeep Wrangler; Second place, Kelly and Becky Johnson, Escanaba, 2005 Ford Ranger Pick-up  
**Class Z Anything that won't fit in any other class**  
First place, Ron Snyder, Houghton Lake, Mich., 1965 Ford Cobra Roadster; Second place, Carl Jensen, Rudyard, 1965 Ford Cobra

**Class H Cars 1969-1972 Stock**  
First place, Fred Smith, 1983 Zimmer Golden Spirit; Second place, Frank Green, Prudenville, Mich., 1975 Chevrolet Corvette  
**Class HH Cars 1964-1968 Modified**  
First place, Randy Lund, Manistique, Mich., 1967 Ford Fairlane GT; Second place, Gary Lefebvre, Iron Mountain, 1965 Chevrolet Impala SS  
**Class J Cars 1969-1972 Modified**  
First place, Mike Hinkson, 1969 Oldsmobile Cutlass; Second place, Larry Betterly, Manistique, 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle  
**Class K Cars 1973-1985 Stock**  
First place, Jim Rhodes, Houghton Lake, Mich., 1988 Chevrolet Camaro Convertible; Second place, Jack Hout, Gladstone, 1986 Ford Thunderbird  
**Class M Cars 1973-1985 Modified**  
First place, Dave Menard, Escanaba, 1973 Chevrolet



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News Brief

Bay College advises of scholarship deadline

ESCANABA - Bay College awards nearly 300 scholarships every year to future, current, and returning students...

Last week, the Detroit Free Press ran an article titled, "Report finds chronic absenteeism a problem in Michigan schools..."

tend to build from one day to the next the problem continues to grow, resulting in the loss of valuable teaching time...

school is not in session. For more information on the MAS attendance policy, view the Student Handbooks online at www.manistiqueschools.org...

our students and drivers. Please keep our kids safe and stop when you see a bus with flashing red lights.

State's credit rating improves

LANSING, Mich. - After conducting a thorough review of the state of Michigan's economy and finances, Standard & Poor's assigned the state's AA- credit rating with an improved "positive outlook."

MANISTIQUE PUBLIC SAFETY

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

Tuesday, Aug. 29, 2017
9:00 a.m., department assist, within the city.
12:37 p.m., breaking and entering a motor vehicle, Alger Avenue.
2:00 p.m., drive while license suspended - second offense, S. Houghton Avenue.
2:32 p.m., malicious destruction of property, Central Park.
9:00 p.m., warrant arrest, within the city.
12:10 a.m., department assist, Thompson Township.
Wednesday, Aug. 30, 2017
9:00 a.m., operating ORVs on unauthorized public street, S. Cedar Street.
9:00 a.m., well being check, Oak Street.
11:00 a.m., speeding vehicles, Lakeside Road.
11:25 a.m., property dispute, within the city.
1:50 p.m., lock out, Hiawatha Township.
3:25 p.m., blight/long grass, N. Second Street.
5:10 p.m., dog bite, within the city.
7:35 p.m., operating while intoxicated, N. Houghton Avenue.
Thursday, Aug. 31, 2017
11:03 a.m., citizen assist, N. Second Street.
12:45 p.m., ORV on roadway, Tannery Road.

1:07 p.m., vehicle identification number inspection, Manistique Avenue.
2:55 p.m., safety hazard, N. Maple Street.
7:00 p.m., child neglect, N. Houghton Avenue.
7:07 p.m., ORV on roadway, S. Mackinac Avenue.
10:45 p.m., fugitive arrest, N. Cedar Street.
Friday, Sept. 1, 2017
12:00 p.m., well being check, N. Second Street.
6:00 p.m., car show parade detail.
7:44 p.m., found property, Center Street.
8:25 p.m., lock out, Riverview Drive.
12:10 a.m., disturbing the peace, Deer Street.
Saturday, Sept. 2, 2017
1:10 p.m., found property, River Road.
2:04 p.m., parking violation, Walnut Street.
5:00 p.m., larceny from a motor vehicle, Trader's Point Drive.
5:45 p.m., alarm, Oak Street.
5:50 p.m., alarm, Oak Street.
7:40 p.m., violation of the controlled substance act, Arbutus Avenue.
4:18 a.m., disturbing the peace, Manistique Avenue.
5:05 a.m., disturbing the peace, Manistique Avenue.
Sunday, Sept. 3, 2017
8:16 a.m., burning violation, Range Street.
12:30 p.m., child abuse, within the city.
3:19 p.m., well being check, Deer Street.
7:00 p.m., found property, within the city.
11:46 p.m., BOI 54002, U.S. 2.
1:20 a.m., assault, Oak Street.
Monday, Sept. 4, 2017
10:57 a.m., careless driving, U.S. 2.
1:35 p.m., larceny/fail to pay, W. Lakeshore Drive.
2:35 p.m., safety concern, U.S. 2.
3:40 p.m., drug paraphernalia, U.S. 2.
3:01 a.m., careless driving, E. Lakeshore Drive.
Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017
9:45 a.m., probation violation, within the city.
12:05 p.m., safety hazard, N. Maple Street.
1:36 p.m., lock out, S. Cedar Street.
1:45 p.m., abandoned bike, Cattaraugus Street.
3:50 p.m., property dispute, Elm Street.
3:55 p.m., scam, within the city.
3:58 p.m., lock out, Range Street.
7:50 p.m., department assist, Thompson Township.
10:25 p.m., suspicious situation, S. Mackinac Avenue.
11:15 p.m., lock out, Schoolcraft Avenue.
11:35 p.m., alarm, Deer Street.
1:00 a.m., lock out, W. Lakeshore Drive.
Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017
10:00 a.m., well being check, Manistique Township.
10:55 a.m., suspicious situation, W. Lakeshore Drive.
5:30 p.m., animal complaint, E.

Lakeshore Drive.
11:38 a.m., malicious destruction of property, Schoolcraft Avenue.
2:45 p.m., careless driving, State Road.
3:30 p.m., suspicious situation, Arbutus Avenue.
4:05 p.m., animal complaint, N. Houghton Avenue.
5:00 p.m., animal complaint, Deer Street.
10:20 p.m., suspicious situation, N. Houghton Avenue.
12:45 a.m., probation violation, N. Houghton Avenue.
3:15 a.m., department assist, New Elm Street.
3:15 a.m., lock out, M-94.
Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017
9:40 a.m., property dispute, within the city.
2:20 p.m., citizen assist, New Elm Street.
6:00 p.m., citizen assist, Steuben Street.
8:40 p.m., alarm, Oak Street.
9:11 p.m., structure fire, Manistique Township.
Monday, Sept. 11, 2017
7:10 a.m., citizen assist, U.S. 2.
9:09 a.m., lock out, E. Lakeshore Drive.
10:55 a.m., animal complaint, within the city.
12:30 p.m., trespassing, Oak Street.
1:15 p.m., blight, Washington Street.
6:22 p.m., hit and run car, PDA, River Street.
2:20 a.m., residential alarm, Clark Street.

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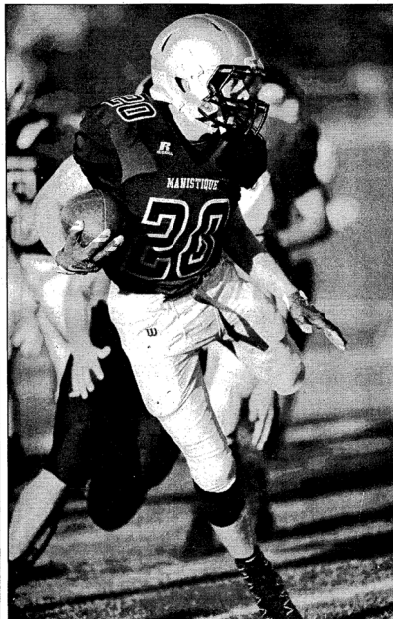
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## NFL standings

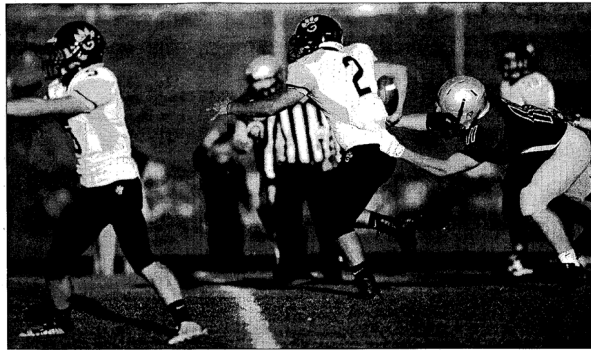
NFL STATS as of 09-12-17

Team	W	L	T
<b>AFC</b>			
<b>East</b>			
1. Buffalo Bills	1	0	0
2. Miami Dolphins	0	1	0
3. NE Patriots	0	1	0
4. New York Jets	0	1	0
<b>North</b>			
1. Pittsburgh Steelers	1	0	0
2. Baltimore Ravens	1	0	0
3. Cleveland Browns	0	1	0
4. Cincinnati Bengals	0	1	0
<b>South</b>			
1. Jacksonville Jaguars	1	0	0
2. Tennessee Titans	0	1	0
3. Houston Texans	0	1	0
4. Indianapolis Colts	0	1	0
<b>West</b>			
1. Denver Broncos	1	0	0
2. K.C. Chiefs	1	0	0
3. Oakland Raiders	1	0	0
4. L.A. Chargers	0	1	0
<b>NFC</b>			
<b>East</b>			
1. Philadelphia Eagles	1	0	0
2. Dallas Cowboys	1	0	0
3. Washington Redskins	0	1	0
4. N.Y. Giants	0	1	0
<b>North</b>			
1. Detroit Lions	1	0	0
2. G.B. Packers	1	0	0
3. Minnesota Vikings	1	0	0
4. Chicago Bears	0	1	0
<b>South</b>			
1. Carolina Panthers	1	0	0
2. Atlanta Falcons	1	0	0
3. TB Buccaneers	0	0	0
4. New Orleans Saints	0	1	0
<b>West</b>			
1. L.A. Rams	1	0	0
2. Arizona Cardinals	0	1	0
3. Seattle Seahawks	0	1	0
4. San Francisco 49ers	0	1	0



Joe LeBlanc photo

After escaping the clutches of Blain Bridges, Manistique's DJ Bowers put on some crazy moves to gain a few extra yards to start the Mid-Peninsula Conference match-up in Manistique last Friday. See Bowers in action, along with additional great action shots from the game on our Smugmug page at [www.mstqioneertribune.smugmug.com](http://www.mstqioneertribune.smugmug.com).



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Bringing down Gwinn's running backs proved to be a challenge Friday night for the Manistique Emeralds. Above, Schlyer Anderson holds on to bring down Marlin Moton in early action.

## Gwinn scores first and often

MANISTIQUE - Concerns Coach Todd Kangas had going up against a big front line played out early Friday against the Gwinn Modeltowners. Producing over 500 yards of offense, Gwinn defeated the Manistique Emeralds 48-14 in a Mid-Peninsula Conference match-up at A.F. Hall Stadium.

The Modeltowners struck early when Austin Forbes scored on a four-yard run in the opening quarter.

Sticking to the ground, they added 22 second quarter points with two touchdowns by Marlin Moton and one by Seth Aho. With time running out in the first half, Gwinn, controlled the game 30-0 at the break.

Runs of 11 and six yards by Moton and Forbes pushed Gwinn's lead to 42-0 before Manistique was able to get on the board. The score by Manistique came off a 68-yard run by Logan Savage in the fourth quarter. Savage led the Emeralds in rushing with 92 yards on six carries.

Alex Oas hooked up with Liam KcKeege for a 15-yard catch and run late in the period for the additional points.

Gwinn put up 512 yards of offense, 424 rushing, and 88 passing.

Manistique had a total of 157 offensive yards with 142 on the ground and 15 passing.

Gwinn 8-22-12-6-48  
Manistique 0-0-0-14-14

Manistique (0-3) will host Ishpeming (1-2) Friday night. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. with Parent Night activities taking place prior to the game.

Looking ahead in the Emeralds' schedule next week, the team will be participating in homecoming activities leading up to the Sept. 22 homecoming game against the Manistung Mustangs. This year's king and queen will be announced during half time of that game.

## MLB standings

MLB Standings as of 09-12-17

Team	W	L
<b>American League East</b>		
1. Boston Red Sox	81	62
2. New York Yankees	78	65
3. Baltimore Orioles	71	73
4. Tampa Bay Rays	71	74
5. Toronto Blue Jays	67	77
<b>American League Central</b>		
1. Cleveland Indians	88	56
2. Minnesota Twins	74	69
3. Kansas City Royals	72	72
4. Detroit Tigers	60	83
5. Chicago White Sox	57	87
<b>American League West</b>		
1. Houston Astros	86	57
2. Los Angeles Angels	73	70
3. Texas Rangers	72	71
4. Seattle Mariners	71	73
5. Oakland Athletics	63	80
<b>National League East</b>		
1. Washington Nationals	88	55
2. Miami Marlins	68	75
3. Atlanta Braves	64	78
4. New York Mets	63	80
5. Philadelphia Phillies	54	89
<b>National League Central</b>		
1. Chicago Cubs	77	66
2. St. Louis Cardinals	75	68
3. Milwaukee Brewers	75	69
4. Pittsburgh Pirates	68	77
5. Cincinnati Reds	62	82
<b>National League West</b>		
1. Los Angeles Dodgers	92	52
2. Arizona Diamondbacks	83	61
3. Colorado Rockies	79	65
4. San Diego Padres	65	79
5. San Francisco Giants	57	89



Joe LeBlanc photo

## Varsity Emeralds struggle on road

MANISTIQUE - A narrow margin and failure to communicate sums out the last two outings for the Emerald volleyball team on the road in Westwood and Gwinn.

Last Thursday, the squad made the trip to Westwood and played competitive in all three sets only to drop the match 3-0.

Consistent serves helped the Emeralds in the match, finishing the first set of the night with a score of 23-25 and ending the second and the third with a score of 20-25 each.

"We served consistently, which helped us stay in the match," stated Head Coach Amy Nixon. "We will continue to work on our movement and passing heading into next week's matches"

Madison finished the night with a high of 11 assists, Sydney Peterson lead with 17 digs, and Lenna Smith recorded five kills.

The junior varsity squad won their match with sets of 25-10 and 25-16.

On Tuesday night this week, the team failed to communicate, dropping all three sets on the road in Gwinn (9-25, 16-25 and 15-25).

"We didn't communicate effectively and struggled in our serve receive which made getting our

## Volleyball

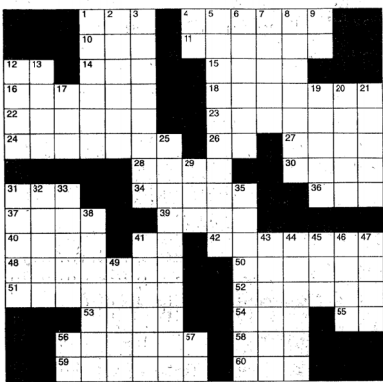
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At right, Sydney Peterson is shown in action at home earlier in the season. Peterson finished leading in digs the last two outings with 17 in Westwood and 13 in Gwinn.

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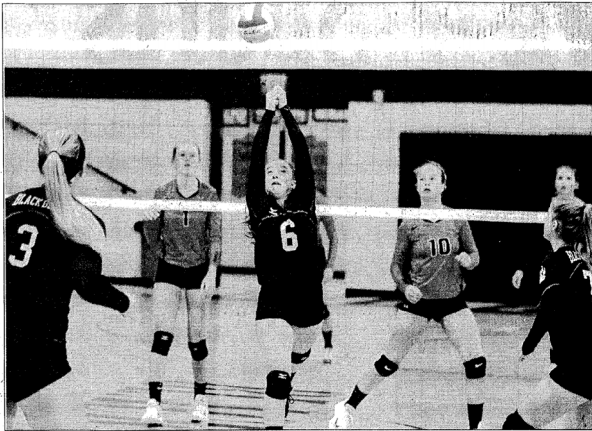


**CLUES ACROSS**  
 1. Storage device  
 4. Disagree with  
 10. Political organization  
 11. Playoff appearances  
 12. Collection of cops  
 14. Balkan mountain peak  
 15. Island north of Guam  
 16. Seizure of someone's property  
 18. Repeat  
 22. Beautiful youth  
 23. Bullfighters  
 24. Charges a fare  
 26. Not off  
 27. Where skaters ply their trade  
 28. Mason  
 30. Guru  
 31. Cycles/second  
 34. Airmating turns  
 36. Soviet Socialist Republic  
 37. Mound  
 39. Boxer Amir  
 40. Away from wind  
 41. Exist  
 42. Working man  
 46. British soldier  
 50. Scourge

**CLUES DOWN**  
 1. Bathing suit  
 2. Poignantly different from what was expected  
 3. A person with the same name as another  
 4. West Siberian river  
 5. Of the membrane lining the abdominal cavity  
 6. Has a positive electric charge  
 7. Fish-eating mammal of the weasel family  
 8. Offerer  
 9. Spanish ba  
 12. Chilean province

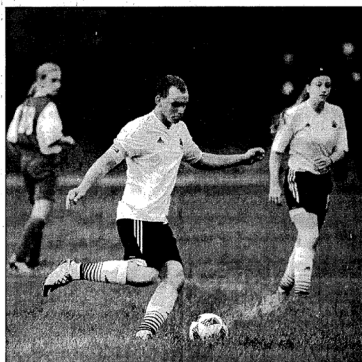
**Capitan**  
 13. Father  
 17. Pestilence  
 19. Songs  
 20. Grinding tools  
 21. Long, winding ridge of sand and gravel  
 25. Court game  
 29. ...kosh, near Lake Winnebago  
 31. Variety of beet  
 32. Caps  
 33. Rides in the snow  
 35. Took without permission  
 38. Tall stand to hold books  
 41. Spanish neighborhood  
 43. Spanish dance  
 44. Countries of Asia  
 45. Make fun of  
 46. Elk Grove High School  
 47. Network of rivers  
 49. Greek aperitif  
 56. Unit of volume  
 57. South Dakota

*All puzzle answers are on page B2.*



## Bears on fall prowl

Fall sports are on underway at Big Bay de Noc School and the Bears are on the prowl for a win. Above, volleyball hosted Munising Tuesday night. The Bears lost the match 3-0 (10-25, 16-25, 13-25). Meagan Yonker (center) blindly returns the volley. The Bears hosted Hannahville Wednesday after press time and will be back at home Sept. 19. At right, the soccer team hosted Munising Baptist Sept. 5. John LaFevre positions himself for a kick. Yonker, dual sporting, is also pictured. They hosted Hannahville after press time Wednesday and will host Grand Marais Friday at 6 p.m.



## Volleyball

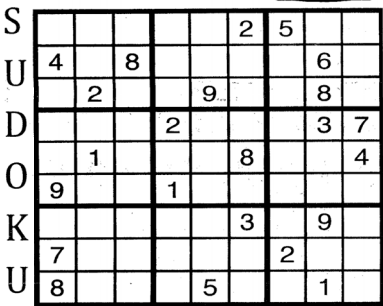
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 offense going difficult," said Nixon. "It's a process that we will continue to work on a solution."  
 Peterson again led in digs with 13. Joslyn Muth led in assists with eight, and Emilee McDaniel led in kills with four.  
 The junior varsity lost their match with a score of 2-1 (28-30, 25-16, 13-25).  
 The Emeralds will host the Gladstone Braves in a Mid-Peninsula Conference match tonight (Thursday). The junior varsity game is set for 6 p.m.

**Manistique vs. Westwood**

Player	Acc	SR	D	Ass	K	B
M Charlier	9	1				
J Muth	1	5	9	5	3	1
M Berry	2	12	11	2		
M Kraatz	4	3				
L Smith	1	3	9	5		
S Peterson	27	17	1			
R Schuetter	1	6	11	1		
E McDaniel	1	4	1	4	1	
A Burnham	1	5	3	1		
A McDonald	2	2	2	1	1	
K Muth		2	1	1	4	

**Manistique vs. Gwin**

Player	Acc	SR	D	Ass	K	B
M Charlier	6	1				
J Muth	1	6	8	1		
M Berry	7	2				
M Kraatz	2					
L Smith	3	1	8	3		
S Peterson	21	13				
R Schuetter	10	8	1			
E McDaniel	1	4				
A Burnham	1	5	1	2		
A McDonald	1	1				
K Muth		2				



## Word Search

**MAKE A MEAL WORD SEARCH**

Read the words listed vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

BOIL  
 BROIL  
 CHILL  
 CHOP  
 COMBINE  
 CREAM  
 CUBE  
 CUT  
 DESSERT

DICE  
 DINNER  
 DOT  
 DRAIN  
 FLOUR  
 FOLD  
 FRYING  
 GARNISH  
 GRATE

GREASE  
 GRILL  
 INGREDIENT  
 KNEAD  
 MEAL  
 PAN FRY  
 PASTRY  
 PEELING  
 ROLL

SALTY  
 SAUTE  
 SIFTED  
 SIMMER  
 STOVETOP  
 SUGAR  
 SWEETENED  
 TOSS  
 WHIP

## FISH REPORT

By Ret. Sgt. John Walker

Well, it appears we are getting a nice week of "Indian Summer" that we always look forward to up here in the U.P. when fall comes our way. Of course I would be all right if it would last until Nov. 15 and then just give us a light whiff of tracking snow for deer and then melt the snow and then the nice weather to be back. But just maybe chances of this are rather slim but one can always hope. But it does not cost anything for one to wish, after all, few things in life are ever really free in life.

The other day Wife and I were sitting watching TV when I saw a flagrant violation of the law happening right before our eyes. Here we sat watching a program when one of those infomercials came on advertising something that worked so good you would be crazy to try to get through your life without using it.

Here was this party using items that would stop a leak in anything and everything that ever sprung a leak. In fact, in my mind if they had had a few dozen rolls of this on the Titanic they could have just covered the hole and the ship would have never sunk. On this ad a party cuts his aluminum boat in half, tapes it back together and off he goes flying across the lake running wide open in his taped together boat.

Now here is where the flagrant violation of the law took place. Of course I have to admit being focused on what was right there before my eyes I did not look to see if the boat did have a valid registration on it because I was too focused, as a retired game warden, on the fact that it was obvious that this person was running his boat wide open across the water without a personal flotation device in the boat as required by law!

I thought about calling the RAP hot line to report this violation but then figured just maybe they were too tired up with other things to worry about this violation.

I thought I would take a minute here to express my opinion on something and remember this is my personal opinion so take it for what it's worth.

The other day Wife and I had to take a ride out to the hospital and here for the first time I noticed for some reason beyond my normal Yoofer reasoning that the speed limit had been raised to 65 between the BP station and the city limits. Sixty-five here in town you have to be kidding me!

This means when you are pulling out of the hospital back onto US-2 you had better be ready to kick the after burners in because the cars coming at you will be traveling at 70 or better seeing they see the 65 MPH posted speed limit. I personally would like to know who came up with this plan of where they post the speed limit. And at the same time do not tell me that the Michigan Department of Transportation gives a flip about highway safety!

I ask you why could the 65 speed limit not have been moved out by Southtown Creek and made it safer for everyone. Like I say this is just my opinion after talking to a number of people and seeing there are a lot of older people that feel the same way I do. It also wouldn't hurt to have a turn-off lane or passing lane both coming and going by the hospital.

Well, some of the hunting seasons are open and bird season is right around the corner. Get out your hunters orange hat and get ready for a good fall season up here in the U.P. What a ton of memories bird season brings back to me. Dad and the boys out on weekends and after school to hunt birds and believe it or not, back then we always saw birds. In fact, at the start of the season you would often run into big cavies of birds before they were shot at often enough to break up the cavies. Very seldom on a day long hunt did not everybody get their five bird limit before it was time to head back home after the days hunt.

There is no doubt in my mind in an era where both parents work that one of the things the youth of today miss so often that is so important is the time spent out in the woods with dad and their siblings just building memories. I have often said I wish my dad was still around to see all the man-toys we have today. The 4-wheelers, the game cameras, and the bows with all their technology, and just in general the type of hunting gear that is out there today.

So dad's make sure to take the time this fall to just get out with your kids and have fun together. Remember how time flies and before you know it there will just be you and the wife left and wish that with no matter how much time you spent with them that you had spent a little more.

## Coming up in Sports

**MANISTIQUE EMERALDS**  
 Varsity Football  
 Varsity Football  
 Fri., Sept. 15 vs. Ishpeming at HOME (Parents Night), 7 p.m.  
 Varsity Volleyball  
 Tues., Sept. 19 vs. Negaunee at HOME, 6 p.m.  
 Thurs., Sept. 21 vs. Iron Mountain at Iron Mountain, 6 p.m.  
 Varsity Cross Country  
 Sat., Sept. 16 vs. Newberry Invitational at Newberry, 10 a.m.  
 Thurs., Sept. 21 vs. St. Ignace Invitational at St. Ignace, 4 p.m.  
 JV Football  
 Thurs., Sept. 14 vs. Ishpeming at Ishpeming, 6:30 p.m.  
 Thurs., Sept. 21 vs. Munising at Munising, 6:30 p.m.  
**BIG BAY DE NOC**  
**BLACK BEARS**  
 Varsity Volleyball  
 Thurs., Sept. 14 vs. Forest Park at Forest Park, 6 p.m.  
 Tues., Sept. 19 vs. North Dickinson at HOME, 6 p.m.  
 Thurs., Sept. 21 vs. Gamey at Carney, 6:30 p.m.  
 Varsity Soccer  
 Fri., Sept. 15 vs. Mackinac Island at Mackinac Island, 6 p.m.  
 Sat., Sept. 16 vs. Mackinac Island at Mackinac Island, 10 a.m.  
 Mon., Sept. 18 vs. Paradise at HOME, 5 p.m.

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to baking. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 25 = e)

A. 12 16 15 13 26  
 Clue: Dry ingredient

B. 8 7 10 25 26  
 Clue: Blends

C. 4 19 6 7 16 16 19  
 Clue: Flavoring

D. 5 25 8 9 25 26 19 5 13 26 25  
 Clue: How hot or cold

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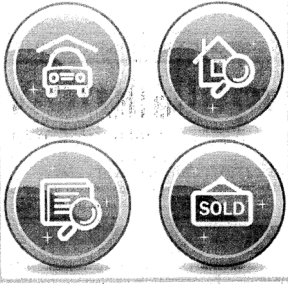
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Black bears and humans: What you should know

By Kevin Swanson and John Pepin

For many people, the opportunity to see a Michigan black bear in the wild is an amazing experience.

Black bears are Michigan's only bear species. These animals prefer large hardwood or pine forests, intermixed with wetlands, and they can be colored black, brown or cinnamon.

Males live in areas that can be larger than 100 square miles, while females — which give birth to an average of two to three cubs every other winter — stay in smaller areas ranging from 10 to 20 square miles. Adult female black bears typically weigh 100 to 250 pounds.

Bears have sharp claws on their padded feet, used for climbing trees and searching for food, like tearing open rotted stumps and trees for insects.

Many wildlife watchers have a natural curiosity about bears, and the chance to see bears from a safe distance, especially when a sow is accompanied by cubs, often produces moments most people don't soon forget.

Anglers, campers, hikers and others enjoying the outdoors in Michigan may also encounter a black bear. Typically, bears will run or walk away from humans if they become aware of their presence.

However, in some instances, bears do not run. In these cases, an adult male Michigan black bear — which can weigh more than 400 pounds and stand five feet tall — can present an imposing obstacle.

"When bears stand their ground, people should do the same thing," said Kevin Swanson, a wildlife specialist with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' bear and wolf program. "In these kind of encounters, you should make loud noises and back away from the bear slowly, giving the bear plenty of room to leave the area. Do not run from a black bear or play dead if one approaches."

In rare cases, black bears can attack. If they do, fight back with a stick, a backpack, similar available items, or your bare hands.

Fatal black bear attacks are extremely rare.

According to the North American Bear Center in Fly, Minn., black bears have killed 61 people across North America since 1900. Bear experts there say your chances of being killed by a domestic dog, bees or lightning are vastly greater.

According to the center, "Most attacks by black bears are defensive reactions to a person who is very close, which is an easy situation to avoid. Injuries from these defensive reactions are usually minor."

In Michigan, while cases of black bear attacks — like that of a 12-year-old girl who was attacked and injured while jogging at dusk in Wexford County in 2013 — remain rare, reports of bear nuisance complaints are relatively common.

DNR bear nuisance complaints in the Upper Peninsula tallied a bit over 100 for each of the past two years, down from the peak of nearly 250 in 2004.

However, in the northern Lower Peninsula, bear complaints in 2016 numbered over 200, a new record for the region. Previously, complaints had peaked in 2003 in that part of the state at more than 160.

Numerous factors affect bear complaints, including available food sources and public attitudes toward bears over time as population numbers increase.

Many black bear nuisance complaints involve encounters between humans and bears, that were prompted by human behavior.

"Black bears eat plants and animals and seek out a number of different food sources, such as sedge, junewberry, blueberry, acorns, beechnuts, and animal protein that



Photo courtesy DNR. Researchers working on the Upper Peninsula predator-prey study examine a bear cub found in a den with its mother and two siblings in February 2017 in Houghton County.

includes insects and occasional deer fawns," Swanson said. "Bears also have big appetites, an excellent sense of smell and can remember the locations of food sources from one year to the next."

"The best way to avoid issues with black bears is to never feed them," said Brian Roell, a DNR wildlife biologist in Marquette. "It is very important that bears maintain their natural fear of humans. Bear problems are far more likely to occur when bears become used to finding food provided by humans."

A DNR information flier on Michigan black bear details some helpful tips for avoiding conflicts with bear around homes and camps:

- Never intentionally feed bears.
- Remove potential food sources, like bird feeders, from your yard. Do not feed wild birds in the spring, summer and fall, when bears are most active.
- Keep pet food inside or in a secured area.
- Keep garbage and odor at a minimum by removing trash often and cleaning the can or other container used for garbage.

• Keep garbage in a secured area or in a secured container with a metal, lockable lid until it is picked up or taken away.

- Keep grills and picnic tables clean.
- Bee hives (apiaries), fruit trees and gardens can be protected from bears by electric fencing.

There are additional tips for hikers and campers:

- Keep a clean camp, limiting food odors and garbage.
- Food and toiletries should never be kept in tents.
- Store these items in air-tight containers in a vehicle trunk or suspend food in burlap or plastic bags or backpacks

from trees. Hang these bags or backpacks 12 feet off the ground, 10 feet away from the tree trunk and 5 feet from the nearest branch.

- Always cook at a distance from your campsite and wash dishes and utensils shortly after eating.
- Don't sleep in clothes that have cooking odors or blood on them.
- Store garbage as you would food. Burning or burying garbage attracts bears.
- Travel in groups and make noise when hiking to avoid surprising a bear.
- Carry bear spray.

"All of us who live and enjoy the outdoors in bear country share the responsibility of not doing things that will intentionally or unintentionally attract bears and create the potential for bear problems," said John Pepin, DNR deputy public information officer. "As human and black bear populations grow in some areas, the possibility of human-bear interactions becomes more likely, making this shared responsibility even more important." A sow and two black bear cubs investigate a grassy area where garbage has been left.

Bear populations throughout Michigan are currently stable or are increasing, depending on region. Bears are found across roughly 35,000 square miles of suitable habitat, mostly in the northern two-thirds of the state. The Upper Peninsula is home to most of Michigan's black bears.

According to the DNR's Statistical Catch-At-Age analysis — which uses bear sex and age data collected since 1992 — bear abundance in Michigan was most recently estimated at a total of 11,811 sub-adult and adult bears.

This estimate includes 9,699 black bears in the U.P. and 2,112 in the northern Lower Peninsula. Those figures were calculated before the 2015 bear hunting seasons.

As a comparison, the pre-hunting season figures for 2014 showed a total of 10,754 sub-adult and adult bears, with 8,721 in the U.P. and 2,033 in the northern Lower Peninsula.

While the analysis estimates the bear population in the Upper Peninsula has increased about 1 percent since 2000, in the northern Lower Peninsula, bear numbers have risen an estimated 47 percent over that same time frame.

Swanson said state wildlife biologists have worked to balance requests from the public for more bears with local bear population densities and numbers of bear nuisance complaints.

"Due to previous concerns expressed by DNR biologists and a wide array of hunters and bear hunting clubs, license quotas and the bear harvest were decreased significantly beginning in 2012," Swanson said. "The current DNR goal is to increase and then stabilize bear numbers according to how many bears the habitat can support comfortably, without surpassing social tolerance."

Recreational hunting of Michigan black bear began in 1925. Nearly 100 years later, the DNR continues to carefully manage bear populations and habitat.

"DNR officials staying connected with stakeholders and constituents, and setting license quotas based on appropriate population goals, will help manage a healthy Michigan black bear population," Swanson said.

This year, more than 56,000 hunters applied for 7,140 available bear hunting licenses, up more than 9 percent from 2016.

Bear hunting seasons open across Michigan in September and, depending on the bear management unit, largely continue into October. Some days of the hunt are restricted to bait-only hunting, while bait and dogs may be used during the remainder of the seasons.

Non-resident licenses in Michigan are capped at five percent this year, an increase from a previous cap of two percent. This year, 310 out-of-state residents were granted bear hunting licenses from the 7,140 issued.

With black bear numbers currently approaching 12,000 adult black bear statewide, there are excellent opportunities for wildlife viewing and bear hunting in Michigan.

"The U.P. landscape is prime habitat for black bear due to the large connected tracts of forestland that grow over various soil types, which creates abundant food sources and cover for this normally solitary animal," Swanson said. "But a rising population is causing more conflict with people, especially in the northern Lower Peninsula, where bear bluff charges, domestic dog kills and general nuisance complaints are rising." A bear tagged at the Michigan Department of Natural Resources check station in Marquette in fall 2016.

Black bear nuisance complaints in the U.P. become increasingly common in years when natural food sources, like blueberries, are harder to find. However, any bear will take advantage of an easy meal, like seeds from backyard wild bird feeders and household garbage.

"Keeping these potential bear foods safely stored away, especially when bears have been reported in the area, will help minimize negative interactions with black bears," Roell said. "Michigan black bears are fascinating wild animals that should be respected as such, never fed and viewed from a safe distance."

Under Michigan law, black bears can only be killed by a licensed hunter or when human life is in danger. Get more information on Michigan black bears at [www.michigan.gov/bear](http://www.michigan.gov/bear).

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