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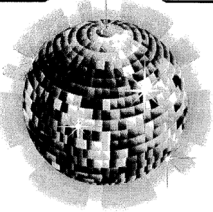


LSSU: Ssshhh, quit using these words in 2018

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Mothers, fathers: Get ready to dance

See below



Father daughter dance returning

Tickets for annual dance to go on sale next Wednesday

MANISTIQUE — Area fathers and daughters are invited to dress in their finest and strap on their dancing shoes to attend the 13th annual Father-Daughter Dinner Dance. The event, set for Feb. 10, is hosted by the Manistique Area Kiwanis Club and takes place at the First Baptist Church.

The dance will not only provide an opportunity for dads and daughters to spend a special evening together, but will also raise money for the annual summer visit by the Missoula Children's Theatre, also hosted by the Kiwanis. For the past 13 years, the touring theatre organization has come to Manistique to stage a week-long residency program for children in first through 12th grades.

The rehearsal culminates into a show featuring the local students.

The Kiwanis Club funds the program through several sources, including grants and money raised by the Father-Daughter Dinner Dance.

Tickets for the upcoming semi-formal evening are \$40 for each dad and daughter couple and \$10 for each additional daughter. The number of tickets is limited to the first 45 couples and additional daughters and are available in advance only.

Tickets will be available starting Jan. 10 at the Manistique Radio Center and the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility.

There is no age limit for the event and fathers are encouraged to bring their daughters, whether they are young, teenage or adult. In the past attendees have ranged from preschool-aged daughters to a 100-year-old dad.

The evening will get underway with a social hour beginning at 5 p.m. when Amy Stoll will be available to take photographs of the fathers and daughters for an additional fee. There will also be non-alcoholic beverages available, as well as prizes.

Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. followed by dancing until 8:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Jan. 5, 6, 7 — Open Skate, Little Bear West Arena, 6-9 p.m.

Jan. 8 — #Why You Matter event, Manistique Middle and High School, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Jan. 13 — Mother-Son Dance, Manistique Elks Lodge, 6-9 p.m.

Jan. 22, 24 — Open Pool, Manistique Middle and High School, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Feb. 10 — Father-Daughter Dance, First Baptist Church, 5-8:30 p.m.



An icy wonderland

Pioneer Tribune photo
As temperatures continue to remain hovering just above or below zero and snowfall becomes more frequent, the snow and ice accumulation is increasing throughout the area. In particular, the ice shelf on the shoreline on Lake Michigan is building daily. The U.S. Coast Guard warns residents and visitors that although these ice shelves may be picturesque, they are not safe to walk or climb on. The ice formations are often hollow beneath the surface and can easily give way, potentially trapping a person in the freezing water below the ice's surface.

New Mother and Son Dance set

Careers in Education class creates event, will host as community service project

MANISTIQUE — The Father-Daughter Dinner Dance has existed for years, but what about mothers and sons? The Manistique High School Careers in Education class recently remedied this quandary by creating the Mother and Son Dance — set for Jan. 13.

According to Careers in Education teacher Christi Ryan, there was an evident need for a comparable dance for mothers and sons.

"The (Manistique) Kiwanis Club has hosted a Father-Daughter Dinner Dance for 11 years and there has been a recent push for someone to sponsor a similar event for the moms and

sons," she explained. "A group of students in my Careers in Education class has decided to coordinate the event for their service project."

Forming the dance as a service project meant the students needed a community beneficiary.

"The goal is to provide a fun night out for moms and sons while at the same time using it as a platform to raise money for our Tri-County Safe Harbor, which provides services to victims of domestic violence," said Ryan. "There will be a representative from the agency there with an information table. Attendees will be entered in a drawing for a door prize if they donate a toiletry item."

Mother, son dance

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District teachers will be refunded

Supreme Court ruling says teachers must be repaid

MANISTIQUE — Some teachers in the Manistique Area Schools District and across the state may soon be able to replenish their wallets in light of a recent Michigan Supreme Court ruling. The ruling, ordering a refund to teachers who paid into the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System under Public Act 75, ended a nearly eight-year legal battle for Michigan Education Association teachers.

According to the MEA website, in May 2010, the Michigan Legislature enacted PA 75, which amended the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement Act. Among the amendments was a requirement that public school districts and other reporting units to withhold 3 percent of each employee's wages and remit the amount to MPSERS.

While the MEA and American Federation of Teachers filed suit on behalf of their members challenging the constitutionality of PA 75, the legal process would span nearly eight years, due appeals by both Gov. Rick Snyder and Attorney General Bill Schuette. In July 2010, the trial court issued a preliminary injunction providing that the 3 percent levy from wages of all applicable MPSERS members pursuant to PA 75 would be held in a separate interest-bearing account (escrow) until the trial court issued its ruling.

The Michigan Supreme Court issued a final decision Dec. 20, 2017, finding that PA 75 violated the contract clauses of the federal and state constitutions.

According to MAS Superintendent Maryann Boddy, the ruling means that

Teacher refund

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Friends Helping Friends prepare for event

#Why You Matter will focus on students, depression, and suicide prevention

MANISTIQUE — The public is invited to attend the "#Why You Matter" Open House Jan. 8. The event, hosted by the 4-H Club's Friends helping Friends, will feature a student poster exhibit and speaker presentation.

The poster exhibit will be located in the first floor gym hallways in Manistique High School from 5:30-7 p.m. and the keynote address will take place from 7-8:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Coach Jeff Olsen from Ishpeming will provide the keynote address, entitled "Do It for Daniel".

Olsen will speak about his family's experience with his son's depression and suicide. His family wrote the film "Do It for Daniel" in hopes that it would help other families dealing with depression and other mental illnesses.

In October, all high school students, teachers and staff members were invited to get their pictures taken holding a whiteboard



Courtesy photo
The Friends Helping Friends group, back row, from left to right: Abigail Slater, Dayton Benish, Oscar Johnson, Tristin Slater, Ben Crimin, and Abby Burnham. Middle row: Samantha Charter, Rebekah Hopking, Emily King, Whitney Brock, Stina Sharbinow, and Selina Munuz. Front row: Lila MacKinnon, Kendra Carnaya, Darrin Hicks, Jessi DiPiazza, Cai King, and Tracie Abram.

Why You Matter event

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Trained and ready

A group of students recently participated in a Suicide Prevention Training workshop at the Jack Reque Alternative High School. The workshop was sponsored by the Manistiquie Area Schools' Native Program through the school, Title VI, and Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Youth Education and Activities. Above, the students newly certified in suicide prevention assistance pose with their certificates and instructors.

Lake Superior State releases annual list of banished words

SAULT STE. MARIE — The wordsmiths at Lake Superior State University eschewed “face news” and released LSSU’s 43rd annual List of Words Banished from the Queen’s English for Mis-use, Over-use and General Uselessness.

“We’ve drilled down and unpacked tons of pre-owned words and phrases deemed impactful by hundreds of nominators during 2017,” said an LSSU spokesperson. “Let that sink in.”

LSSU’s word banishment tradition is now in its fifth decade, and was started by the late W. T. Rabe, a public relations director at Lake Superior State University.

Rabe and fellow LSSU faculty and staff came up with the first list of words and phrases that people love to hate at a New Year’s Eve party in 1975, publishing it on Jan. 1, 1976. Though he and his friends created the first list from their own

pet peeves about language, Rabe said he knew from the volume of mail he received in the following weeks that the group would have no shortage of words and phrases from which to choose for 1977. Since then, the list has consisted entirely of nominations received from around the world throughout the year.

Through the years, LSSU has received tens of thousands of nominations for the list, which now includes almost 900 entries. Word-watchers target pet peeves from everyday speech, as well as from the news, fields of education, technology, advertising, politics and more. An editor makes a final cut in late December.

And now, the 2018 list:

Unpack — Misused word for analyze, consider, assess. Concepts or positions are not packed, so they don’t need to be unpacked.

Tons — Refers to an exaggerated

quantity, as in tons of sunshine or tons of work. “Lots” would surely suffice.

Dish — As in to dish out the latest rumor on someone. Let’s go back to “talks about” and leave dishes in the cupboard.

Pre-owned — What is so disgraceful about owning a used car now and then?

Onboarding/Offboarding — Creature from the HR Lagoon. We used to have hiring, training and orientation. Now we need to have an “onboarding” process. Firings, quitting, and retirements are streamlined into “offboarding.”

Nothingburger — Says nothing that “nothing” doesn’t already. I’ll take a quarter-pound of something in mine.

Let that sink in — One could say shocking, profound, or important. Let that sink in.

Let me ask you this — Just a wholly unnecessary statement. Just ask

the question already.

Impactful — A frivolous word groping for something “effective” or “influential.”

Covfefe — An impulsive typo, born into a 140-character universe, somehow missed by the autocorrect feature.

Drill Down — Instead of expanding on a statement, we “drill down on it.”

Fake News — Once upon a time stories could be empirically disproved. Now “fake news” is any story you disagree with.

Hot Water Heater — Hot water does not need to be heated. “Water heater” or “hot water maker” will keep us out of hot water.

Gig Economy — Gigs are for musicians and stand-up comedians. Now expanded to imply a sense of freedom and a lifestyle that rejects tradition in a changing economic culture. Runs a risk of sharecropping.

UPPCO seeking public input via series of Stakeholder Forums

MARQUETTE — Upper Peninsula Power Company will hold a series of Stakeholder Forums in January seeking input on its Integrated Resource Plan. An Integrated Resource Plan, or IRP, is a process that is used by a utility to evaluate how it will best serve the future energy needs of its customers. The process is transparent and utilizes modeling to evaluate several resource options that meet the future energy needs of the customers.

“UPPCO has recently made great strides in reducing overall energy costs for all customers,” said Brett French, UPPCO’s vice president of Business Development and Communications. “UPPCO anticipates a typical residential customer’s bill should decrease by approximately six percent beginning in January 2018. Commercial and industrial customers are expected to see decreases of approximately 15 and 24 percent, respectively.”

According to French, “UPPCO is now working to develop and submit an IRP to the Michigan Public Service Commission

and interested Stakeholders will have an opportunity to meet with the staff who are involved in UPPCO’s IRP process, as well as representatives from the company’s Regulatory, Generation, Energy Waste Reduction and Customer Service departments. These forums will allow us to work closely with our customers and stakeholders in an open and transparent process as we develop an IRP that provides considerable value to our customers. At the same time, people can speak with company representatives to learn more about how we keep the lights on, businesses running and communities strong.”

For more information about the Stakeholder Forums and UPPCO’s IRP, visit www.uppco.com

The Stakeholder Forums will be held at four locations throughout UPPCO’s service territory between the hours of 3 and 7 p.m. on the following dates:

- Jan. 9: Terrace Bay Inn — 7146 P Rd., Gladstone
- Jan. 11: Finlandia University Jutila Center — 200 Michigan St., Hancock
- Jan. 16: River Rock Lanes Banquet Center — 1011 North Rd., Ishpeming
- Jan. 18: American Legion Post — 610 W. Munising Ave., Munising

“The Stakeholder Forums are designed so that people can attend at a time that is convenient for them,” said French. “Customers

and interested Stakeholders will have an opportunity to meet with the staff who are involved in UPPCO’s IRP process, as well as representatives from the company’s Regulatory, Generation, Energy Waste Reduction and Customer Service departments. These forums will allow us to work closely with our customers and stakeholders in an open and transparent process as we develop an IRP that provides considerable value to our customers. At the same time, people can speak with company representatives to learn more about how we keep the lights on, businesses running and communities strong.”

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News Briefs

Retired School Personnel group to meet Jan. 10

MANISTIQUE — Retired School Personnel members from the Schoolcraft/Eastern Delta counties will meet Jan. 10.

The luncheon meeting will take place at 11:30 a.m. at The 40 Bar and Grill.

Jane Kopecky, local author and yoga instructor, will be the guest speaker.

New members are always welcome.

UP Regional Blood Center to host local drive

MANISTIQUE — A Blood Drive for the U.P. Regional Blood Center is set for Jan. 10.

The drive will take place in the conference room at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital.

It will run from 1-5:15 p.m. Schedule an appointment by calling 341-6447.

Walk-ins are welcome.

The Archives

This week in the Pioneer Tribune

60 Years Ago January 4, 1958

• Santa in a snowmobile pulling a sleigh full of Christmas gifts provided a bright and cheery Christmas decoration for the Lyle Patz home at 205 N. Second St. this year, and also brought them the \$15 first prize in the annual Jaycee Christmas home decoration contest. Second place and \$10 went to the Christmas scene in front of the Robert Weber home at 324 N. Maple Ave., and the \$5 third prize was won by Neil Nygard for an outstanding lighting display at his home at 526 Garden Ave. Judging the contest last Thursday evening were Community School Director Richard Bonifas, School Trustee Jeanne Larson and Mrs. Linda Walters of the Valley Nursery. The judges also compiled a list of honorable mentions that included the homes of Robert Ehl, Geraldine Beaudre, K. W. Eimerman, Stanley Carlyon, Matt Stram, J. Clarence Peterson, Paul Vezina, O. F. Smits, Wilbur Charter, Herb Faagan, Lionel Trel, Alured Farley and Leroy Fox. Con Bellville was chairman of the annual event.

• Chairmen to head the four divisions of the Top O’ Lake Michigan Chamber of Commerce for 1958 have been appointed from the board of directors of the Chamber. President David M. Kelly announced this week. Named to head the tourist division is Ralph Gilman, owner and operator of the Fireside Restaurant and Manistiquie Motel. Denton Moir, manager of the J.C. Penney store, was named to head the retail division, while James Tagg, co-publisher of the Manistiquie Pioneer-Tribune, was picked to head the wholesale and industrial division. Elmer Flodin, an employee of the Edison Sault Electric Co. and owner of Flodin Appliances, will chair the general development division. The chairmen are selected by the Chamber’s board of directors.

• Miss Jesse Ward, 67, of Gemfask, became the first patient admitted to the new Schoolcraft County Medical Care Facility as she entered shortly after noon on Wednesday. Administrator Carlston Hubbard said he expected new patients would probably be admitted daily during the first week or so of operation. The Alger-Schoolcraft Health Unit is expected to move into their new offices in the facility today (Thursday).

• Winners of the annual Christmas sales promotion of the Top O’ Lake Michigan Chamber of Commerce have been listed. William Spreen, 823 Range St., was the winner of the color television set, while Katherine Seling, 209 New Elm St., won the black and white television. Other winners included John Carlsson, stereo; Charles Bertrame, record player; Mrs. Dan Pomeroy, and Daisy Moore, AM-FM radio; and Don McKenzie, portable radio.

50 Years Ago January 10, 1958

• Who makes what? County Sheriff Lloyd Gray, \$20,545; Deputies Robert Frost, Gerald Jack, Charles Willour, Robert Popow, Gary Haddock, \$14,685; Cook-matron Sharon Maddox, \$10,692; County Clerk Ferdinand Lesica, \$20,545; Deputy County Clerk Lena Mae Gilroy, \$13,260; Chief Abstract Clerk Mary Lee Cesjarden, \$12,617; Chief Courthouse Custodian and Building Code Administrator George Daunt, \$20,323; Prosecuting Attorney Peter Hollenbeck, \$27,735; County Treasurer William Cowan, \$21,751; Deputy Treasure Cecilia Figuera, \$13,260; Equalization Director Odell Iverson, \$20,323; Tax Assessor Albert Vall, \$14,828; County Airport Manager Auvem Bernard \$10,783 (plus another \$1,000 as Pines caretaker); Mental health Director David Hayer, \$26,000; Assistant Director Anne Bease, \$17,417; Public Transit Director Diane McClelland \$10,000; Senior Citizens Director Diane McClelland, \$8,834 and Medical Care Facility Director Dennis Boyd, \$25,040. In addition, the Manistiquie City Council set the salary for new City Manager Charles Varnum at a meeting Dec. 28. He will be paid \$28,000 for his first year on the job, with a \$1,000 a year raise for the next two years after that.

• Mark Burnis likes to jump out of airplanes. And he’s not the type to let a little thing like broken bones stop him. Burnis, a 21-year-old Manistiquie native studying mechanical design at Michigan Technological University in Houghton, is an avid member of the school’s parachuting club. Last week, he and fellow student Gary Diekema took second place in their division at a nationwide parachuting contest in Arizona. They managed to do this even though Burnis had fractured a bone in his foot just days earlier, and had to walk away from his landing area on crutches.

• Sr. Airman Dean Wood was selected Squadron Airman of the Year for 1982 by his unit at Makah Air Force Station in Washington State.

60 Years Ago January 6, 1958

• The weird winter weather that ended 1957 continued into the new year, with an ice storm closing schools and making roads treacherous for travelers in Schoolcraft and Delta counties. A storm of freezing rain, sleet and snow came through the area Sunday night, Jan. 4 coating pavement, plants and vehicles with ice.

• The Family Dollar chain will open its 110th store in Michigan Thursday, Jan. 15, when its new store at 140 River St. in Manistiquie opens. Officials with the discount store chain announced this week that the Manistiquie store will open at 9 a.m. Jan. 15. A brief ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place before the store opens for business. The Family Dollar will occupy the site which formerly housed Nordler’s Foodland.

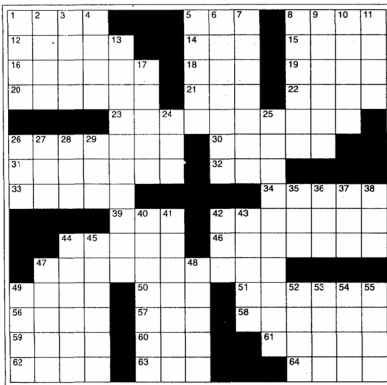
• A large and enthusiastic crowd helped spur the Manistiquie Grover’s State-union team to a sweep of Houghton Saturday, Jan. 3, in the first two games played at the Manistiquie Multi-Purpose Building. The Manistiquie squad won the opener 13-0 and took the nightcap 4-1 to improve its season record to 4-6.

• Angie Carley of Cooks was the winner of the Kids Christmas Stocking at Hoholik’s Ace Hardware in Manistiquie.

60 Years Ago January 4, 2008

• For the Manistiquie Area Schools Foundation, every year is a busy year. But 2008 promises to be even busier than usual, as members prepare to celebrate the organization’s 25th anniversary. Created in 1983 by a former MAS Superintendent, the late Richard Bonifas, the foundation awards scholarships to students graduating from Manistiquie High School. As with most foundations, donations to the scholarship fund are invested and only the interest earnings are used to finance the scholarships. The principal is never touched.

• Last Friday was a busy day - and an exciting one - for 8-year-old Renee Schuetter who filled the position of manager for the Emerald varsity girls’ basketball team. She got the opportunity thanks to her parents, who placed the winning bid at the annual SOS (Support Our Students) banquet in September. Renee’s day began first thing in the morning at breakfast with the team and continued right through Friday night, when she led the girls onto the court and helped out on the bench for Manistiquie’s game against Negaunee.



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8. Female parent
12. Succulent plants
14. OJ's judge
15. Czech river
16. Embarrassing predicament
18. NHL legend Bobby
19. Sunfish
20. One who acclaims
21. On the ... running away
22. Oklahoma's O'Wheat Capital
23. The Golden State
26. Merymake
30. Siberian nomads
31. Pock-marked
32. Baleen whale
33. Leaf-footed bug genus
34. Treasure
39. Tanzanian shilling
42. Changed
44. Intestinal pouches
46. Walked in a celebratory way
47. South American mountain chain
49. Jai ... sport
50. Consumed

CLUES DOWN

1. Crush
2. Razorbill genus
3. O'Fallon House actress
4. Loughlin
4. Bluish green
5. Garlic mayonnaise
6. Attacks repeatedly
7. Secretion
8. Special instance
9. A handsome youth loved by Aphrodite
10. Tree genus in the mahogany family
11. Israeli city
13. Formed a theory
17. Remove
24. Type of light
25. Repeats
26. Certified public

CLUES ACROSS

51. Firm accountant
56. Pubs
57. Leafy drink
58. Cured
59. Northern wind of France
60. Tax collector
61. Respite from the sun
62. American spy Aldrich
63. Central Standard Time
64. Myanmar ethnic group

CLUES DOWN

27. River in eastern France
28. Returned material authorization (abbr.)
29. Special ... military group
35. Ribonucleic acid
36. Not even
37. Power transmission belt
38. Doctor of Education
40. Type of nerve
41. Types of tops
42. Large primate
43. Flooded, low-lying land
44. Gritty
45. Gets up
47. Stake
48. Not the most
49. Swedish rock group
52. Expresses pleasure
53. Expression of boredom
54. Queen of Sparta
55. Where Adam and Eve were placed at the Creation



The most recent Feeding America Food Truck distribution wouldn't have been possible without the help of Honor Society volunteers from Manistique High School. From left to right are: Alex Lakosky, Kanton Lauzon, Alex Oas, MacKenna Ozanich, Madison Berry, and Anthony LeMaster.

News Briefs

Good Neighbor draws winner in fundraiser

MANISTIQUE – Good Neighbor Services recently held a fundraiser to support the Feeding American Truck scheduled for April 2018.

Linda Leonard was the winner of the Amable Goudreau Jr. Memorial (1855-1931) chess set, board and table offered in the drawing. Approximately \$1,100 was raised to help support the planned April food distribution.

Further information on scheduled distributions is available by calling Good Neighbor Services at 341-3927.

Foster Grandparents to hold in-service meet

MANISTIQUE – The Schoolcraft County Foster Grandparents in-service meeting will be held Jan. 19. The meeting takes place at 11 a.m. at the Manistique Senior Center, 101 Main St. 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.

Schuette: Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention recognized in January

LANSING – Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette has recognized President Trump's designation of January as Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Month.

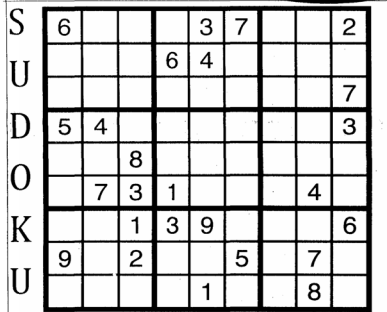
"Human trafficking has no place in Michigan, and I am proud of the work that my Department and law enforcement agencies across the state of Michigan have done to free survivors of trafficking, and prosecute the offenders," said Schuette. "We will continue to fight against this modern form of slavery by bringing light into the darkness created by those that harm others."

Second only to drug trafficking, human trafficking is the fastest-growing and second-largest criminal industry in the world, with an estimated 25 million people in the grips of human trafficking for both sex and labor. Victims of human trafficking are in bondage through force, fraud or coercion, solely for the purpose of

including efforts to prosecute offenders, assist victims, analyze the impact of this crime and raise public awareness nationwide. Schuette encourages citizens to take a few moments to learn more about human trafficking by visiting the following websites:

- State of Michigan
- Michigan Human Trafficking Task Force
- Michigan State University
- University of Michigan

- State of Michigan
- Michigan Human Trafficking Resource Center at (888) 3737-888.



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Obituaries

Paul Messier

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Former Manistique resident, Paul Messier, 63, of Milwaukee, Wis., passed away quietly at his home in Milwaukee on Christmas Eve.

He was the son of the late Donald E. and Patricia J. Messier.

Paul attended St. Francis de Sales school in Manistique. He lived in Manistique until 1968 and moved to Whitefish Bay, Wis., with his family following his father's death. His family maintained a cottage on Indian Lake where he spent most of his high school year's summers. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed playing golf with his friends, as well as his dad's, at the Indian Lake Golf & Country Club. He kept current with his U.P. friends via "Manistique Seventy-Two".

Paul spent most of his life working as a funeral director and later worked as an electrician. His greatest joy, besides his children

and grandchildren, was his motorcycle which he was known to ride well into the cold weather.

Paul is survived by his children, Olivia (John) Mesich of Grafton, Wis., Paula Jo (Ray) Musa of Oak Creek, Wis. and Jeramie Frostman of Milwaukee; eight grandchildren; former wife and friend, Dianne Frostman-Messier of Milwaukee; his sister, Claire Messier of Grafton; along with numerous other extended family members and friends.

A family gathering will be held on Saturday, Jan. 6, 2018 in Grafton.

A celebration of Paul's life will also be held in July - details pending.

A Paul's Celebration of Life facebook page has been set up and they encourage family and friends to visit and say hello.

Online condolences may also be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Lester D. Monroe

GERMFASK, Mich. — Lester D. Monroe, 80, of Long Point Road in Germfask, Mich., died on Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2017, at Helen Newberry Joy Hospital in Newberry, Mich.

Born in Flint, Mich., on July 3, 1937, he was a son of the late Lester W. and Eilene (Hyde) Monroe. Lester graduated from high school and was self-employed from 1955 until 1960. In 1960, he began his employment with Flint Asphalt and Paving for 10 years. He was then employed at Genova Plastics for six years and then began his employment with Delphi in Saginaw, Mich., retiring in 1976. He then hunted and fished as his vacation. He is preceded in death by his parents

and two older brothers.

Lester is survived by his wife, the former Shirley M. Cregar of Clio, Mich.; children, Pamela Monroe of Boerne, Texas; Cynthia R. (Peter) Pavcy of Corvallis, Ore. and Rodney (Deanna) Monroe of Gladstone, Mich.; and three grandsons, Adam and Tanner of Gladstone and Ethan of Milwaukee.

According to his wishes, cremation services have been accorded. No local services are planned.

Condolences may be extended at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com.

Beaulieu Funeral Home of Newberry is assisting the family with their arrangements.

Blaine B. Beckman

MANISTIQUE — Blaine B. Beckman, 51, of Manistique, Mich., died Friday, Dec. 29, 2017, at Berry's AFC Home in Germfask, Mich.

He is survived by his parents Carl and Barbara Beckman; and

his sister, Rhonda Anthony. There will be no services. Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home of Manistique is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Lois L. Jewett

MENOMINEE FALLS, Wis. — Lois L. Jewett, 80, of Gulliver, Mich., passed away on Monday, Jan. 1, 2018.

She was the loving mom of Jim (Jane) Jewett; proud and loving "Oma" of Melissa; "Nana" of Breona and Shauna; and great "Nana" of Kalli.

She is further survived by other relatives and friends.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband Benny.

Visitation will be at Schmidt and Bartelt Funeral Home in Menominee Falls, Wis., on Saturday, Jan. 6, 2018, from noon to 1 p.m. A memorial service will follow at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.schmidtandbartelt.com.

News Brief

Bay College offices closed Jan. 11 for training

ESCANABA — On Jan. 11, all offices at both Bay College campuses (Escanaba and Iron Mountain) will be closed in the morning for employee training.

Staff and administrative offices in Escanaba will open at 2 p.m. and remain open until 5 p.m.

Staff and administrative offices in Iron Mountain will open at 2

p.m. (CT) and remain open until 5 p.m.

The Bay College Bookstore will be open for business 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

The winter 2018 semester begins on Jan. 15.

More information can be found at www.baycollege.edu or call (906) 786-5802.

Calley: Survey shows high demand for mental health and crisis training

LANSING — Efforts to expand mental health and crisis training for law enforcement officers are widely supported by a first responders according to a recent survey, Lt. Gov. Brian Calley announced recently.

"Mental health and crisis training gives officers the ability to recognize mental illnesses and diffuse situations that could become extremely dangerous," Calley said. "We've had success in providing this training to law enforcement in recent years and I'm pleased there is support to expand this potentially life-saving training across the state."

The survey, conducted by the Michigan Mental Health Diversion Council, chaired by Calley, was

taken by officials within the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, Michigan Sheriffs Association and the Michigan State Police.

The survey aimed to gauge support and demand for mental health and crisis training for officers who are often the first point of contact with a person in crisis. To date, the Diversion Council has provided mental health/crisis training to more than 650 law enforcement officers in Michigan.

"Mental health incidents and calls for service for law enforcement are on the rise. It is vital that today's law enforcement personnel have the training and resources to safely interact with people who are experiencing a

mental health crisis," said Ottawa County Sheriff Steve Kempker. "How our law enforcement personnel respond to these incidents will have an impact on how encounters are resolved and for the treatment of the person experiencing a mental health crisis."

One third of agencies said they had not had mental health or crisis intervention training and nearly 66 percent of respondents agreed that this training is very important.

Nearly 100 percent of responding agencies would support training for their agency if it were provided by the state at no cost and nearly 56 percent of respondents said they would prefer online training. Additionally, nearly 98 percent

of respondents said they would support mandated training in police academies and about 82 percent would support mandated training for certified officers.

The Diversion Council has worked to create a crisis training curriculum which trains individuals who will then provide training to others. The council will use these survey results to work on implementing this type of training on a statewide basis.

Nearly 150 law enforcement officers from across the state took the survey this fall, with 65.75 percent being from city/township agencies, 33.56 percent from sheriff's offices and less than one percent of respondents serving in the Michigan State Police.

Step Forward Michigan Program helps more than 2,000 homeowners

LANSING — Nearly 2,200 Michigan homeowners in danger of losing their homes to foreclosure because they fell behind on their mortgage, property tax or condominium fee payments will be able to stay in their homes this year after receiving more than \$15.2 million in financial assistance from the Step Forward Michigan program.

The federally funded Step Forward Michigan program provides no-interest loans to homeowners who are behind on their property taxes, mortgage payments or condominium fees. The interest-free loan is completely forgiven if the homeowner stays in the home for five years. From January through November 2017, Step Forward Michigan helped 2,197 homeowners by providing \$8.9 million to cover mortgage payments, \$6.3 million to cover property tax payments and \$54.829 to cover condominium fees.

It's estimated the program in December will loan about \$1 million to 160 more qualifying homeowners, raising the 2017 totals to more than 2,350 homeowners helped with \$16.2 million in loans.

About \$38 million is still available for new loans to assist around 5,500 eligible households — those affected by a large

medical bill, home repair, layoff, divorce, death in the family or other qualifying hardship — through 2020.

"If you've been hit with a hardship, you could get an interest-free loan of up to \$30,000 to get caught up on property taxes, mortgage or condo payments," MSHDA Executive Director Earl Polacki said. "Even better, if you stay in your home for the next five years, the loan is forgiven and you don't have to pay it back."

Since the state began offering the program in 2010, a total of 35,482 homeowners statewide have qualified for \$312.5 million in loans, according to the Michigan Homeowner Assistance Nonprofit Housing Corporation, which oversees the Step Forward Program in collaboration with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority.

County treasurers across Michigan consider Step Forward Michigan a valuable tool both to help homeowners stay in their homes and to help county governments receive the tax money they need to pay for services such as law enforcement, recreation and safety. Lenders also have welcomed the program, since it can help financially struggling homeowners get caught up on mortgage payments.

Interested residents can see if they're eligible by answering a short series of questions at stepforwardmichigan.org or by calling (866) 946-7432 toll-free.

To qualify for assistance, a homeowner must be a Michigan resident, have an ownership interest in the property and be able to sign new mortgage lien on property, occupy the property as his or her primary residence, have enough income to cover the mortgage, condo association fees, and/or property tax payments going forward, and have cash reserves no greater than \$10,000.

Any homeowner convicted in the past 10 years on a financial-related felony, including larceny, theft, fraud, forgery, money laundering and/or tax evasion, is not eligible for the program. A homeowner can receive a loan only once from the program. Over the past six months, the average loan amount has been just over \$7,000. Loan payments go directly to the county treasurer's office, mortgage lender or condominium association, not to the homeowner.

For assistance on applying for the program, homeowners can turn to a number of local agencies that can be found at MSHDA's website.

More information — including an in-depth Frequently Asked Questions document — is available at stepforwardmichigan.org.

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American Counseling Association

Yes, on a chilly winter day it can feel really good to curl up with a good book or binge on that favorite TV series. While such activities are enjoyable, they may leave you feeling worse if not balanced with other, more active parts of your life.

The "winter blahs," or "winter blues," are feelings of being depressed about the shorter days, colder weather, gray skies and fewer opportunities to be outdoors for fresh air and exercise. In most parts of the country winter means we have to make a real effort to go outside.

And so we reach for that book or that TV clicker once again. Tempting, yes, but only in moderation.

Our physical activity level affects our well-being in a variety of ways. One way is the

impact it can have on our waistline.

Winter is the most common time to add a few pounds. We're often less active but usually don't really change our eating habits. The resulting weight gain doesn't improve anyone's mood.

There is also a very real form of clinical depression called Seasonal Affective Disorder, commonly referred to as SAD.

Experts aren't sure of its exact cause, but SAD seems to be linked to the reduced amount of sunlight in the winter.

It can run the gamut from mild feelings of sadness to extreme depression that can lead to mood swings, anxiety, sleep problems

and even suicidal thoughts.

While mild cases of SAD can be helped by getting more outdoor time in the sun, or getting treatments with special lamps that mimic sunlight, more severe cases should be treated by a physician or professional counselor, since that level of depression can involve serious symptoms.

The most effective antidote to the winter blahs is to get regular exercise.

An ongoing exercise program provides many physiological benefits, including reducing the risk of cardiovascular disease, Type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure and several other health issues.

Exercise also improves mental

health by increasing self-esteem, overcoming depression, reducing stress, and even improving memory and overall thinking, according to a variety of studies.

So don't let winter weather get the best of you.

Find that warm coat. Slip on a pair of gloves.

Go out for a walk every day, or head to the gym if the weather's too bad, and don't let the winter blahs win the fight.

"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 Briefs

Bay College now seeking Alumni nominations

ESCANABA – The Bay College Alumni Association is currently seeking nominations for the Distinguished Alumni of the Year Award to be presented during the Awards Dinner April 17.

This award was established in 1999 by the Alumni Association to recognize and honor an outstanding graduate of Bay College each year; one who has made contributions to his or her career, the community and the college. The selection is based on the following criteria: Education; Leadership;

Service to the College and/or Community; Honors and Awards; and Distinction in the Nominee's Career Field.

Nominees should exhibit leadership abilities that inspire, motivate, and encourage others to reach their full potential.

Alumni of the Year applications can be submitted online at www.baycollege.edu/nominatealumni. Please contact Vicki DeGrand at (906) 217-1700 if you have any questions regarding the application. Nomination forms received by Feb. 15 will be considered.

Consumer fireworks application now accepted

LANSING – The Bureau of Fire Services recently announced the opening of the 2018 consumer fireworks application period and low-impact registration process. All consumer fireworks applications and required plans must be submitted by midnight on April 1. Low-impact registrations can be submitted at any time but must be completed at least 10 days prior to the sales of any fireworks.

In 2017, applicants used a new system for submitting all fireworks applications for the fireworks

application process. The BFS's home page has been updated with changes for the 2018 application.

To start the application process, go to: <https://aca3.aecclia.com/lara/>. To view the instructions for the 2018 application process tutorial, click the following link: 2018 Application Process Tutorial.

Applicants who have questions about the process may contact the Bureau of Fire Services by phone at (517) 241-8847 (main line) or (517) 373-7441 (fireworks line); or by e-mail at fireworks@michigan.gov.

Dinner Diva

Leanne Ely

One of the top health tips you can do right now and lack your own biology to obtain optimal health is ... are you ready?

Eating at home. Now stop – don't leave. Don't roll your eyes or say I can't cook. I don't want to cook or you can get the same quality food at a restaurant.

Know this: you can cook, you can even learn to want to cook. And I hate to say it, but no you cannot get the same quality food at a restaurant.

There might be one or two restaurants out there whose ingredients are as stellar as those you'd pick out—maybe.

But there's also a whole host of other restaurants that seemingly have great stuff on their menus only to use super crappy oil in the preparation of those healthy, tasty meals.

The point is the ingredients – each and every single one of them from the olive oil in the salad dressing to the salt and pepper used in the making of your meal, have to be of top quality in order to get the most nutrition out of each meal.

We need to remember that each ingredient is a building block for a cell – it's how we feed our mitochondria, the mighty energy centers of each cell. Given lousy fuel, our mitochondria perform in a subpar way, hindering health and paving the way for disease.

Given great fuel, our mitochondria respond positively, giving us the energy and joie de vivre we all desire.

But beyond ingredients that are above reproach, is the sheer joy of creating something beautiful, delicious and that feeds your soul as well as your tummy.

And listen – I get it. Not every meal can be like that, but pretty much nearly every one of them can be when you take on the family cooking as a family, and not a one-woman show.

The Europeans have it right – they eat a wide variety of wonderful foods. They shop the open-air markets for the freshest ingredients; they bring it home and create magic in their kitchens.

And it's not like Europeans have it easy, either. They work like we do too – they don't have time to fool around and act like a celebrity chef – they have to get down to business and get food on the table just like we do – a simple meal with amazing ingredients, is the secret to making dinner time happen.

So when it's time to sit down for the family meal, they open a bottle of wine, enjoy each other's company, teach the little ones table manners and polite conversation and talk about everything from Artificial Intelligence to Zanzibar.

The reason is they have a different relationship with food than we do. They see food as a proper gateway to relationship.

They understand by the way they procure and cook their food that it is an important element of their day – not just another thing to check off the to do list.

And while it may seem a little romantic and out of touch (yes I know that not all Europeans are alike in this daily pursuit) it's a lesson to be grasped by all of us – food, the art of acquiring it, preparing and enjoying food

with family and friends around the table gives rich meaning to our lives as people, families and communities.

The bottom line is that every meal counts.

We need to get out of the habit of just getting something to fill the empty hole that is our collective tummy. At the end of the day, we are feeding souls.

It all boils down to a relationship.

In particular, our relationship to food – we need it several times daily so it really needs to be a good one.

Connecting with the right kinds of foods and understanding that food is more than mere fuel, but actual data our bodies collect to decide what to do.

So when the right nutrients, we turn on the right hormones and signals for our bodies to repair and correct.

Given the wrong data (anti-nutrients), our bodies go into emergency mode, starting fires (inflammation) and neglecting the necessary repair.

Eating great meals always begins with great ingredients – the easily recognizable, one-word ingredients that we all know and not the stuff in bags and boxes with words we can't pronounce or identify.

It's a simple thing, yet it's not easy. It takes work and a sustained effort to have this kind of relationship with food.

And yet it's doable – so doable.

For many of us that means we need to turn one thing off to turn another thing on – maybe instead of vegging out in front of the TV, you veg out with your partner in the kitchen preparing a meal that will not only give your bodies something to work with to help you live your best lives, but give you an opportunity to connect, breathe and become more conscientious of the life you really DO want to live.

This isn't a lecture, nor is it shaming of any type that's meant to make you feel guilty or bad about your current state of the dinner table.

It's truly food for thought – drilling down to who you are and who you want to become. Understanding that the connection to your community comes with the simple basics of life, not the big hoorahs like holidays, weddings and such that merely decorate a well-lived life.

Let's live each day in the present, giving each moment it's due – even when it's something as simple as feeding the family their nightly meal.

It's high time we relish the little things – these are the things that illustrate our lives, each and every single one of us.

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.

Births

ST. GERMAINE, Wis. – Spencer Burns and Stephanie Kellner of St. Germaine, Wis., announce the birth of their daughter, Storm Raeann Burns on Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2017. Storm was born at 12:15 p.m., weighing 8 pounds, 4 ounces. She was 21 inches in length. Maternal grandparents are Mike

and Sally Kellner of Arbor Vitae, Wis.

Paternal grandparents are Roy Burns and Jackie Burns of Manistique.

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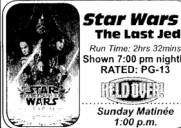
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Flu-fighting tips to keep you and others healthy

Sneezes, sore throat, fever, and aches and pains may accompany a number of illnesses, but during the wintertime such symptoms are typically indicative of influenza.

Throughout much of North America, flu season peaks between December and February. But flu season can occur anywhere from October to March, advises the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The flu is contagious and can sideline people for extended periods of time. The CDC says that each year one in five Americans gets the flu.

Taking steps to fend off the flu can help men and women and the people they routinely come in contact with.

Foods

Food can be used to fend off the flu. Common foods that many people already have in their pantries can be powerful flu-fighters. Garlic, for example, contains compounds that have direct antiviral effects and may help destroy the flu before it affects the body.

Raw garlic is best. In addition to garlic, citrus fruits, ginger, yogurt, and dark leafy greens can boost immunity and fight the flu, according to Mother Nature's Network.

The British Journal of Nutrition notes that dark chocolate supports T-helper cells, which increase the immune system's ability to defend against infection.

A study published in the American Journal of Therapeutics showed that carnosine, a compound found in chicken soup, can help strengthen the body's immune system and help fight off the flu in its early

stages.

Flu shot and medications

Annual flu shots administered in advance of flu season can help protect people and their families from getting the flu. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration says that, in select situations, antiviral medications — which are usually prescribed to treat the flu and lessen symptoms — can reduce the chance of illness in people exposed to influenza.

Many over-the-counter medicines can alleviate symptoms of the flu, but cannot fend it off.

Stop germ proliferation

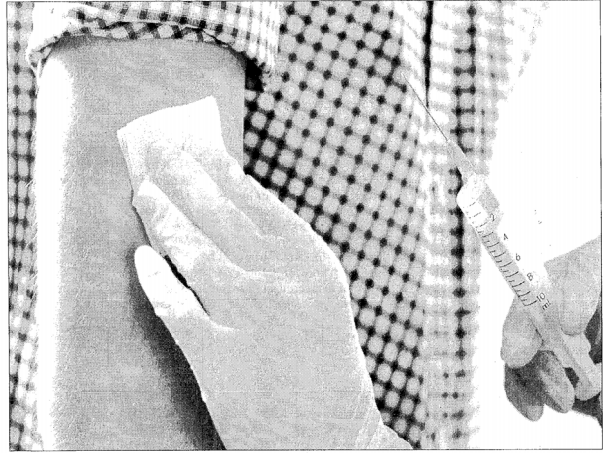
Germs can be spread easily between persons through direct contact and indirect contact with surfaces sick individuals have touched. Doctors recommend staying home for at least 24 hours after a flu-induced fever has dissipated. Well individuals should avoid contact with sick people.

Frequent hand-washing with soap and water can stop germs from spreading. When soap and water is not available, alcohol-based hand sanitizers can help. People also should avoid touching their eyes, noses and mouths after being in public places or around someone who is ill.

Rest and restore

Those who feel symptoms coming on should begin drinking more liquids to keep the respiratory system hydrated and make mucus less viscous. Remember to get adequate sleep, as a tired body cannot effectively fight the flu virus.

People of all ages should take steps to protect themselves from the flu.



The flu shot is just one way to help prevent the flu this season.

Courtesy photo

Now that we have spent a bundle on Christmas, we have tax preparation to look forward to. Tax time is a stressful time for everyone, especially more so as we grow older.

Seniors have special tax issues including social security income, pension checks, retirement benefits, and a spousal death that can complicate tax preparation and can increase the chance of an incorrect return.

Knowing where to look for help can make tax time easier and less stressful.

The IRS and AARP have free services available for seniors to help with questions and to complete basic tax returns, free of charge. You must be 60 years of age or older to receive this assistance.

You must have a simple tax return. People seeking tax help who have more complex returns will be advised to get professional tax assistance.

You do not have to be a member of AARP or a senior to receive tax help from Tax-Aide, however special attention is paid to people age 60 and over.

With my research as of today, the closest area to receive this free help is at the Escanaba Public Library.

I was told due to a shortage

of volunteers, they are unable to come to our area.

They welcome those from our area to go over there for free assistance. Their telephone number is (906) 789-7323. They ask that you call around the middle of January. They will then put you on the list.

The center staff assists with completing the Homestead Property Tax, Rental and Heating Credits. These are refunds to those that no longer file state or federal.

For those of you who will be bringing your information to the center, please wait until you have received all your information before bringing it to us (we have had to redo forms due to not having all the information).

Information needed is:

- Social Security number(s)
- A copy of last year's return, if you have it.

- All of your income: social security, pensions, SSI, and bank interest (statements)
- Taxes paid on your home or rent that you paid. (Taxes do not have to be paid up to date. We also need the taxable value of the home.

- Amount of Medical Insurance Premiums paid, other than Medicare.
- Heating Costs (Billed from

11:01:16 thru 10:31:17)

- Copy of your 1099 (this is the end of the year statement you receive from Social Security showing what you received for 2017 and the amount of Medicare paid.)
- Form SA1099 if you received financial assistance from Dept. Of Humane Services.
- If you rent, the name and address of the landlord.

We only do credit forms for those age 60 and older. For those under the age of 60, we ask that you call Sharla at the Community Action Agency office. Her telephone number is 341-2452.

You will be called when your forms are completed, so we ask that you make sure your name and telephone number are on the front of the envelope. Call the center at 341-5923 for further information.

Wow! It sure has been cold. I thought I would share a few helpful hints for winter.

- Keep your headlights clear with car wax. Just wipe ordinary car wax on your headlights.
- Squeak proof your wipers with rubbing alcohol.
- Ice proof your windows with vinegar. Just fill a spray bottle with three parts vinegars to one-

part water and spritz it on all your windows at night.

- Prevent car doors from freezing shut with cooking spray. Spritz cooking oil on the rubber seals around car doors and rub it in with a paper towel.
- Fog proof your windshield with shaving cream.
- De-ice your lock in seconds with hand sanitizer. Just put some hand sanitizer gel on the key and the lock and the problem is solved.
- Count down until warm weather comes!

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MDOT focuses on road safety in UP, implementing numerous projects

ESCANABA – The Michigan Department of Transportation has implemented a number of projects across the Upper Peninsula designed to make highways safer for the people who drive – and work – on them.

MDOT safety projects are part of a larger effort to help move the state "Toward Zero Deaths". Since 2010, MDOT has collaborated statewide with law enforcement officials and first responders to promote this important national highway safety strategy. Several new practices have been implemented to increase safety awareness, including posting year-to-date fatality totals in MDOT offices and on roadside dynamic message signs. These efforts are raising awareness of traffic safety challenges in Michigan.

Beyond the statewide education and awareness campaign, MDOT's Superior Region, which encompasses the entire U.P., has undertaken several initiatives that incorporate safety into more aspects of their operations.

"Superior Region is moving the TZD initiative beyond motorist safety by integrating it into our operations throughout the region and expanding the scope of TZD to include worker safety," said Superior Region Engineer Aaron Johnson. "Our development, construction, operations, and maintenance areas have identified supporting goals. We're improving MDOT staff understanding of TZD and re-emphasizing the importance of safety in everyday work."

What's being done? In addition to the Traffic and Safety Area, whose primary TZD focus is reducing motorist crashes on Michigan roadways, each of the region's four main functional areas had a goal to support TZD efforts in 2017.

Operations: Traffic Incident Management training was extended to all 33 of the region's emergency responders, along with many other participants, at three training sessions around the U.P. The training represents

Quick facts

- In its effort to move the state "Toward Zero Deaths", MDOT has implemented numerous projects across the Upper Peninsula to increase safety.
- These projects include Traffic Incident Management for all 33 of the Superior Region's emergency responders, including state and local law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services.
- Region designers have continued to increase motorist and worker safety by implementing roundabouts, centerline and shoulder rumble strips, etc.
- Escanaba's U.S. 2 Bridge project will also increase safety.

a partnership between agencies, including MDOT, state and local law enforcement, fire, emergency medical services, local road agencies, and towing services, to work together while safely and efficiently clearing incidents from roadways. These incidents may include traffic crashes, disabled vehicles, spilled cargo, floods, or other unplanned events. Topics include communications, traffic control, positioning of vehicles, and safely clearing the incident scene.

TIM training is important for safe, effective travel, as well as minimizing economic impacts due to delays and congestion. The training provides first responders with standards and best practices; employees with TIM training can increase the safety of motorists and emergency responders, and reduce traffic delays.

"Every day, MDOT and other agencies have people working in harm's way, feet or inches from live traffic, equipment and countless other hazards that can be brutally enforcing," Johnson said. "We can't overemphasize really helps get the safety message out."

Project Development: Region designers continued to integrate safety features into the design and planning of upcoming projects to increase motorist and worker safety. There are numerous examples: roundabouts, centerline and shoulder rumble strips, higher-visibility sign posts, and

many others.

A major bridge project under construction this year and next year will feature a safety measure new to the Superior Region. The US-2 bridge over the Escanaba River will be equipped with bridge deck warning sensors. These can activate warning signs with flashers alerting motorists when conditions could cause freezing on the deck. Also, the new bridge will incorporate a barrier-separated, nonmotorized pathway across the river. This year's road reconstruction project on M-553 in Marquette County also incorporated several safety features, including improved roadway alignment, posts with reflectors to delineate the roadside in low-visibility conditions, and replacement of warning signs with high-visibility signs and posts.

Construction: Superior Region is enhancing efforts to improve construction zone safety for workers. The key is reviewing all work zones in accordance with the region's guidelines. Inspections of work zones this summer found just more than 97 percent were in compliance with the guidelines.

Whenever possible, region staff has also implemented work zone safety initiatives and innovations to bolster the safety of motorists and pedestrians. At the Escanaba River Bridge project, a new raised-curb lane separator system was used instead of the normal wider concrete barrier due to limited available width. Work zone rumble strips were also

used to warn motorists of a new stop condition, and work zone law enforcement was increased. Through targeted traditional and social media outreach to the bicycling community, MDOT advised cyclists looking to cross the bridge of alternate routes.

Maintenance: Superior Region staff are focusing on the safety of MDOT maintenance crews by evaluating the railing heights of all bridges in the region. An estimated 80 percent of region bridges have railings shorter than a 39-inch Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration minimum. Current MIOSHA standards require maintenance crews to utilize a fall-arrest system when conducting routine maintenance on bridges with these railings. Depending on the type of railing, finding suitable anchor points for tying off an FAS can be difficult and, although very safe, working around a leash system can be somewhat cumbersome. Region staff are researching and evaluating a portable, inexpensive, easy-to-install safety rail system for bridge maintenance.

These efforts all focus on the same overarching MDOT goal: safety.

"Roadway safety remains one of the most challenging issues we face," Johnson said. "But we're committed to moving toward our zero-death goal. The efforts we're undertaking will help make our roads safer for everyone driving and working on them."

The statewide TZD safety campaign is based on the national strategy on highway safety intended to influence driver behavior and improve safety. With more than 35,000 fatalities occurring on U.S. highways each year, roadway safety remains one of the most challenging issues facing Michigan and the nation.

To learn more about the national strategy, go to www.towardzerodeaths.org. For more information on the state campaign, visit MDOT's website at www.michigan.gov/zerodeaths.

News Briefs

Caregivers Support Group plans Jan. 10 meet

MANISTIQUE – The Caregivers Support Group will meet in the conference room of Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Jan. 10. The meeting begins at 3 p.m. The group is open to anyone involved with the care giving of someone with Alzheimer's disease or any of the other types of dementia. For more information, call 341-1863.

Upper Peninsula experiencing blood shortages

MARQUETTE – The U.P. Regional Blood Center across the Upper Peninsula is experiencing a critical need for all blood types. They have centers in Marquette, Iron Mountain, Escanaba, Hancock, and Sault Ste. Marie. Check their website at www.mgh.org/blood for hours of all locations.

Mother, son dance

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Ryan added that her students will be providing snacks, disc jockeying, as well as overseeing the dance and games. "They have created the posters, advertising, secured the venue, presented at our local women's club meeting to promote the event, and solicited donations for prizes from individuals and businesses," said Ryan. The event will take place at the Manistique Elks Club from 6-9 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per mother and son duo, and \$5 for each extra son. A limited amount of tickets are available for purchase at the Emerald Elementary School Library or The Flower Cottage. For more information, call (906) 286-3004, (906) 450-7087, or (906) 286-3521.

Teacher refund

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anyone working in the district from 2010-12 and paying the 3 percent will be issued a refund. "The money from the state is supposed to be included in the Jan. 22 state aid payment," she said, adding that the plans for disbursement have not yet been finalized. "We will have to go back into our records and look at each individual employee to see how much deducted from their checks during that time and reimburse them that amount. It is going to be a tedious process to ensure that everyone gets back what they contributed. We are still awaiting guidance on how the accrued interest will be distributed and what the tax implications will be on the refunds. Once that guidance is shared we will start calculating the refunds." Those who contributed during PA 75's institution, but have since retired, will also be eligible for the refund.

Why You Matter event

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where they had written why they matter. The photos were then made into a 12x14-inch poster that will be displayed at the open house. There will be over 250 posters in the exhibit.

The Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is sponsoring the event.

Friends Helping Friends is a 4-H club comprised of caring teens and adults that work together to promote and address social-

emotional health and well-being issues and programs for ongoing growth and development. The club decided they wanted their first program of the 2017-18 school year to promote compassion.

The Friends Helping Friends 4-H Club meets every Tuesday during the school's lunch and seminar block. Beside planning and working on campaigns, they collaborate with Michigan State University Extension to teach a

bullying prevention program to middle school students.

At the end of January, some of the club members will be attending The Michigan 4-H Spectacular teen development conference to attend classes and teach a workshop to promote their work and encourage other teens to start a similar club in their community.

If interested in participating in or promoting the Friends Helping

Friends 4-H Club or other 4-H programs, contact Tracie Abram (906) 235-2985 or Jill Connin (906) 286-3327.

The MSU Extension office is located at 100 N. Cedar Street in Manistique.

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MDHHS urges prevention for protection

LANSING, Mich. — To increase their chances of having a healthy baby, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is urging women to take steps to reduce their risk of getting an infection during pregnancy.

Gov. Rick Snyder has proclaimed January as Birth Defects Awareness Month in Michigan, and MDHHS is joining with the National Birth Defects Prevention Network, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the March of Dimes, the Teratology Society and MotherToBaby to raise awareness of birth defects and how they can be prevented.

The campaign, "Prevent to Protect: Prevent Infections for Baby's Protection," places a special emphasis on the importance of preventing infections before and during pregnancy that can increase the risk of having a baby with a birth defect.

long pants when outside. -Consider avoiding travel to areas with Zika virus. -Practice good hygiene. -Wash your hands often with soap and water. -Avoid putting a young child's cup or pacifier in your mouth. -Talk to your healthcare provider.

Among the many steps a woman can take to increase her chance of having a healthy baby is preventing infections that increase the risk of birth defects and other health problems for mothers and babies. Some helpful tips for pregnant women or women who may become pregnant include:

- Get vaccinated. -Get the flu shot and the whooping cough vaccine. -Become up-to-date with all vaccines before getting pregnant. -Prevent insect bites. -Use insect repellent. -Wear long-sleeved shirts and

long pants when outside. -Consider avoiding travel to areas with Zika virus. -Practice good hygiene. -Wash your hands often with soap and water. -Avoid putting a young child's cup or pacifier in your mouth. -Talk to your healthcare provider.

"Every expectant mother should take steps to prevent an increased risk of birth defects as well as promote an overall healthy pregnancy and healthy baby," said Eden Wells, MDHHS chief medical executive. "Vaccination, proper hygiene, prevention of insect bites, as well as conversations with your healthcare provider are important

steps for any woman looking to start a family."

Wells reminds all women capable of becoming pregnant that they should eat a healthy diet, be physically active and take a multivitamin with 400 micrograms (mcg) of folic acid every day, whether they are currently planning a pregnancy or not.

In the United States, a baby is born with a birth defect every 4 1/2 minutes - about 120,000 babies each year. About 1 in 33 of Michigan's 113,000 babies is born with a serious birth defect every year.

MDHHS encourages residents to be an active participant in National Birth Defects Prevention Month. Learn more by following the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services on Facebook and #Prevent2Protect on Twitter.

MAS News

Maryann Boddy

assume this most important position on our community.

We often forget about the personal sacrifices school board members make.

Board members contribute many hours each year leading their districts. The time spent in board meetings represents just a small fraction of the hours school board members spend leading their districts.

The month of January marks the annual observance of School Board Recognition Month. This is a time to show our appreciation and begin to better understand how local trustees work together to prepare today's students to be tomorrow's leaders.

In January, join with others from throughout our district and state to salute our new and returning board members who provide governance of our school district.

Members of the Manistique Area Schools Board of Education include: Rae Birr, Jill Connin, Stacey Cunningham, Tori Irving, Alan Kilar, Krista Maline, and Giannine Perle.

For more information and the schedule of regular monthly meetings, which are held on the third Monday of every month, visit the Manistique Area Schools website at: www.manistiqueschools.org.

Click on the "District" button and select "School Board" from the drop down menu.

News Brief

Meijer joins Michigan Automated Prescription System in effort to help prevent opioid abuse

LANSING — Meijer is the latest retail pharmacy to integrate the new Michigan Automated Prescription System into its existing pharmacy management systems in pharmacy locations across Michigan. The integration equips Meijer with a

vital tool to combat the ongoing opioid crisis.

A \$2.47 million appropriation from the state legislature gave LARA the opportunity to begin replacing the old MAPS, which successfully launched on April 4,

2017. Using \$1.8 million remaining from the state appropriations and after the Department received an additional \$373,000 in a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Calley along with Apriess Health announced on June

19 that the state would cover the full integration of MAPS into the clinical workflow. Michigan health systems, physician groups and pharmacies have until Aug. 31, 2019 to complete the integration with the available funds.

Police Log

Manistique Public Safety

- 2:55 p.m., found wallet, within the city.
Sunday, Dec. 31, 2017
9:48 a.m., child custody dispute, within the city.
17-3604/Found wallet returned to owner.
10:25 a.m., well being check, Oak Street.
10:41 a.m., animal complaint, Park Avenue.
12:15 p.m., citizen assist, Thompson Township.
12:25 p.m., breaking and entering, Elm Street.
2:05 p.m., lock out, Thompson Township.
4:45 p.m., lock out, Delta Avenue.
3:00 a.m., citizen assist, Garden Avenue.
5:30 a.m., citizen assist, Doyle Township.
Monday, Jan. 1, 2018
6:25 a.m., citizen assist, Garden Avenue.
9:57 a.m., suspicious vehicle, Michigan Avenue.
11:00 a.m., lock out, Oak Street.
11:20 a.m., citizen assist, Thompson Township.
3:10 p.m., disorderly person, Arbutus Avenue.

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

- Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2017
10:00 a.m., citizen assist, River Street.
3:30 p.m., 13-2388/stolen gun, within the city.
4:25 p.m., lock out, Arbutus Avenue.
7:30 p.m., domestic dispute, S. Third Street.
10:40 p.m., suspicious situation, E> Lakeshore Drive.
11:32 p.m., department assist, Manistique Township.
3:50 a.m., citizen assist, Manistique Township.
Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2017
10:44 a.m., scam, within the city.
1:10 p.m., animal complaint, N. Houghton Avenue.
4:15 p.m., breaking and entry/maicious destruction of property, Manistique Avenue.
9:45 p.m., lock out, Delta Avenue.
Thursday, Dec. 21, 2017
6:50 p.m., domestic, Manistique Avenue.
10:40 p.m., illegal dumping, Park Avenue.
10:18, department assist, N. Maple Street.
10:43 p.m., suspicious vehicle, E. Lakeshore Drive.
Friday, Dec. 22, 2017
9:10 a.m., citizen assist, N. Houghton Avenue.
10:00 a.m., lock out, N. Cedar Street.
10:05 a.m., well being check, N. Second Street.
12:33 p.m., lock out, W. Lakeshore Drive.
1:00 p.m. department assist, within the city.
3:10 p.m., OWI second offense, E. Lakeshore Drive.
7:00 p.m., obstruction of a court

- order, within the city.
10:00 p.m., DPW request, icy road conditions.
10:00 p.m., department assist, Eighth Street/County Road 441.
3:15 a.m., animal complaint, N. Houghton Avenue.
Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017
8:06 p.m., disturbing the peace, Michigan Avenue.
9:2 p.m., PDA, S. Cedar Street.
9:46 p.m., suicidal person, Michigan Avenue.
10:00 p.m., animal complaint, S. Third Street.
12:00 a.m., OWI, within the city.
Sunday, Dec. 24, 2017
9:30 a.m., citizen assist, Thompson Township.
1:30 p.m., trespassing, Walnut Street.
2:00 p.m., hit and run PDA, within the city.
2:20 p.m., domestics, Third Street.
2:55 p.m., lock out, Manistique Township.
8:00 p.m., bond violation within the city.
11:57 p.m., domestic dispute, N. Second Street.
Monday, Dec. 25, 2017
10:41 a.m., lock out, N. Maple Street.
10:48 a.m., citizen assist, Central Park.
7:15 p.m., dog at large, S. Fifth Street.
9:18 p.m., dog at large, E. Lakeshore Drive.
Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2017
7:02 a.m., larceny of gasoline, W. Lakeshore Drive.
1:00 p.m., citizen assist, Garden Avenue.
1:58 p.m., citizen assist, N. Fourth Street.
5:00 p.m., alarm, S. Cedar Street.

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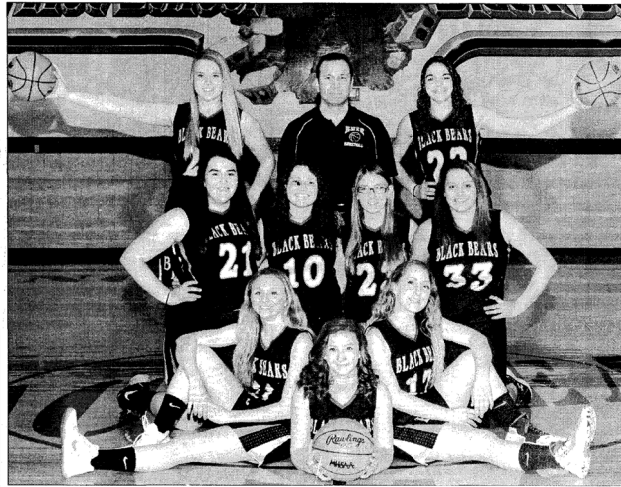
Coming Up in Sports

MANISTIQUE EMERALDS
Boys Varsity Basketball
 Fri., Jan. 5 vs Ishpeming at Ishpeming, 7:30 p.m.
 Sat., Jan. 6 vs Big Bay de Noc at HOME, 6 p.m.
 Mon., Jan. 8 vs Munising at HOME, 7:30 p.m.
Girls Varsity Basketball
 Fri., Jan. 5 vs Negaunee at HOME, 7:30 p.m.
 Sat., Jan. 6 vs Big Bay de Noc at HOME, 4:30 p.m.
 Mon., Jan. 8 vs Engadine at Engadine, 7:30 p.m.
Varsity Wrestling
 Sat., Jan. 6 vs Kalkaska Invitational at Kalkaska, 9 a.m.
 Wed., Jan. 10 vs Munising/Bark River Harris Triangular at Munising, 6 p.m.
Varsity Swim
 Mon., Jan. 8 vs Ishpeming-Negaunee at HOME, 5 p.m.
 Wed., Jan. 10 vs Gladstone at HOME, 5 p.m. (Parents Night).
Varsity Cheerleading
 Sat., Jan. 6 vs Constock Park Invitational at Constock Park, TBA
 Tues., Jan. 9 vs Emerald Invitational at HOME, 6 p.m.

BIG BAY DE NOC BLACK BEARS
Boys Varsity Basketball
 Fri., Jan. 5 vs Munising at Munising, 6 p.m.
 Sat., Jan. 6 vs Manistique at Manistique, 6 p.m.
 Mon., Jan. 8 vs Carney at Carney, 6:15 p.m.
 Thur., Jan. 11 vs Stephenson at HOME, 6 p.m.
Girls Varsity Basketball
 Sat., Jan. 6 vs Manistique at Manistique, 4:30 p.m.

NFL Stats

NFL FINAL REGULAR SEASON STATS				
AFC				
East	W	L	T	
1. NE Patriots	13	3	0	
2. Buffalo Bills	9	7	0	
3. Miami Dolphins	6	10	0	
4. New York Jets	5	11	0	
North				
1. Pittsburgh Steelers	13	3	0	
2. Baltimore Ravens	9	7	0	
3. Cincinnati Bengals	7	9	0	
4. Cleveland Browns	0	16	0	
South				
1. Jacksonville Jaguars	10	6	0	
2. Tennessee Titans	9	7	0	
3. Indianapolis Colts	4	12	0	
4. Houston Texans	4	12	0	
West				
1. K.C. Chiefs	10	6	0	
2. L.A. Chargers	9	7	0	
3. Oakland Raiders	5	10	0	
4. Denver Broncos	5	11	0	
NFC				
East				
1. Philadelphia Eagles	13	3	0	
2. Dallas Cowboys	9	7	0	
3. Washington Redskins	7	9	0	
4. N.Y. Giants	3	13	0	
North				
1. Minnesota Vikings	13	3	0	
2. Detroit Lions	9	7	0	
3. G.B. Packers	7	9	0	
4. Chicago Bears	5	11	0	
South				
1. New Orleans Saints	11	5	0	
2. Carolina Panthers	11	5	0	
3. Atlanta Falcons	10	6	0	
4. TB Buccaneers	5	11	0	
West				
1. L.A. Rams	11	5	0	
2. Seattle Seahawks	9	7	0	
3. Arizona Cardinals	8	8	0	
4. San Francisco 49ers	6	10	0	
Wild Card Playoff Schedule				
Sat., Jan. 6, 2018				
• Tennessee Titans vs. Kansas City Chiefs, 4:35 p.m. ESPN/ABC				
• Atlanta Falcons vs. Los Angeles Rams, 8:15 p.m. NBC				
Sun., Jan. 7, 2018				
• Buffalo Bills vs. Jacksonville Jaguars, 1:15 p.m. CBS				
• Carolina Panthers vs. New Orleans Saints, 4:40 p.m. FOX				



Courtesy photo
 Members of the 2017-18 Lady Black Bears varsity squad consist of (front row, left): Maddie McPhee, Meagan Yoner, and Rylie Lawrence. Middle: Alexia Mercier, Kaitlin Halvorson, Kassidy Salter, and Kaitlyn Massengill. Back, Holli Stapleton, Coach Brad McPhee, and Brooke Dalgord.

Lady Bears kick off 2018 with win

COOKS—The Lady Bears kicked off the New Year on a positive note. Behind big performances by Brooke Dalgord and Holli Stapleton, the Lady Bears defeated the visiting Eagles of Engadine Jan. 2 in what turned out to be a shoot-out in the second half, with both teams combining for 74 second half points.

Behind a great defensive effort, Big Bay took control of the non-conference outing early, jumping out to a 13-5 lead at the end of the first period. Stapleton paced the Bears with five points. Dalgord and Alexia Mercier added four points each.

Up 13-5, Big Bay pushed their lead to 27-12 at the half. Dalgord led the charge with five points, Mercier went four-of-four from the line. From there, things got crazy. Held to just 12 first half points, the Eagles found the net, out-scoring Big Bay 20-19 in the third quarter. Helping her team keep pace, Dalgord scored 11 points. Stapleton added six for Big Bay, who held a 46-32 advantage going into the fourth quarter.

Sophia Vaughn scored eight of her game high 16 points in the third for Engadine. Big Bay took advantage of their trips to the charity stripe, connecting nine of 13 shots in the fourth. They finished the game 19 of 27 from the line.

Dalgord finished the night with 24 points to lead all scorers. Stapleton had 22 points. With the win, Big Bay improves to 2-5.

The Eagles, who played with a couple of starters out sick, fell to 4-3.

Big Bay travels to Manistique (0-6) this Saturday. Tip-off is set for 1:30 p.m. with the boys' varsity contest to follow.

Big Bay 13, 14, 19, 19- 65 Engadine 5, 7, 20, 16 - 48

Emeralds continue to struggle on court

MANISTIQUE—It has been a long stretch since the Emerald varsity boys' basketball team put a check mark in the win column, but the start of the New Year provided promise that could change. Playing host to Bark River Jan. 2, Manistique put together a solid opening quarter, but from there things quickly went south for the Emeralds.

Following a slow start and down by two points early, Kanton Lauzon dropped a bucket to tie the contest with six minutes on the clock in the opening period. Baskets by Kyle Sceley and Joey Hohlolik and a three-point shot by Schyler Anderson put Manistique out front 9-4 midway through the period.

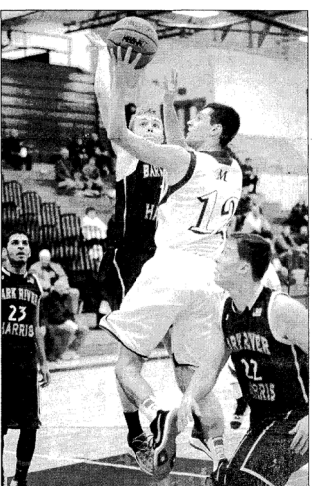
Trailing a triple by Ryan Arndt, Bark River went on an 8-0 run and held a 12-9 lead at the 2:48 mark. Responding, Hohlolik hit a pair from the floor to give Manistique a 13-12 advantage when the quarter came to an end.

Arndt went on to lead Bark River in scoring with 20 points.

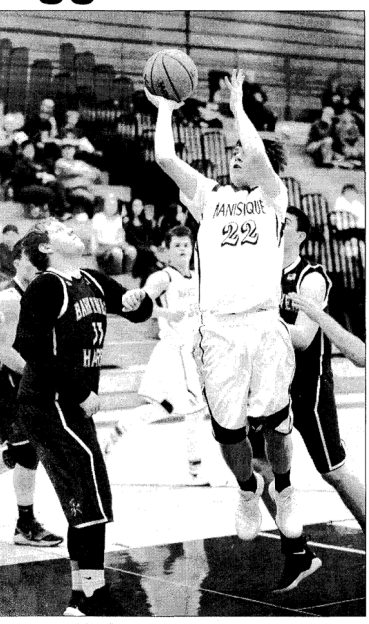
"They went on a little stretch in the second quarter, but then we got it down to eight points at the half," said Coach Ed Marietti. "The score was 29-21, then they came out and hit four threes and a bunch of twos and we did not get anything. Turnovers were a problem, we had over 20 tonight."

Coming off the break it was all Bark River—going on a 14-0 run to start the second period. Down 26-13, Lauzon finally broke the ice, scoring six of the Emeralds eight second period points.

Up by eight points at the half, the Broncos put the game away early in the third with shots from three-point range. With one in the books, Arndt hit another three and Ben Schultz one early in the



Joe LeBlanc photos
 In the Emeralds' 2018 season opening Tuesday night at home, Joey Hohlolik (above) attempts to lay one up from the left in the first quarter. At right, Kanton Lauzon shoots from center point in the Emeralds' 71-38 loss to the Broncos. Lauzon lead in scoring with 13. Additional photos can be viewed at www.mstqioneertribune.smugmug.com.



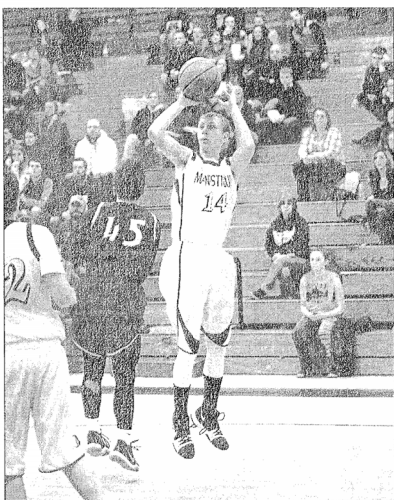
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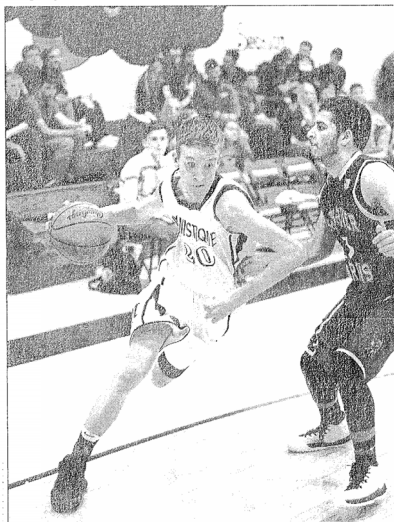
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Above, Logan Pawley fires one up during the second half of the Emeralds' loss to the Broncos Tuesday. Below, Brenden Jenerou drives the lane. Additional photos can be viewed at www.mstg.pioneertribune.com.



quarter for Bark River. The team led 55-31 after three quarters on their way to a 71-38 win over Manistique.

Marietti said it was difficult getting shots off against Bark River's defense.

"They pressured us at half court, not even full court, and we had issues," he said. "We kept trying to dribble through everything and kept turning it over."

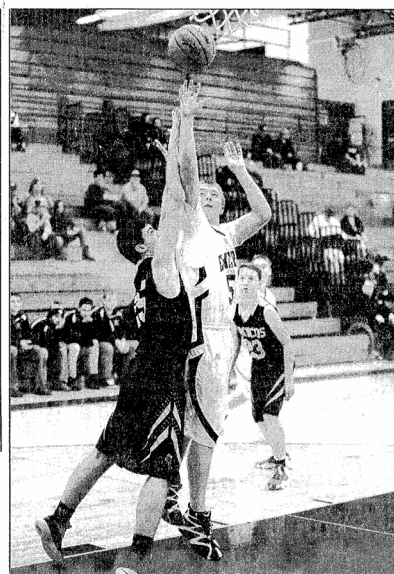
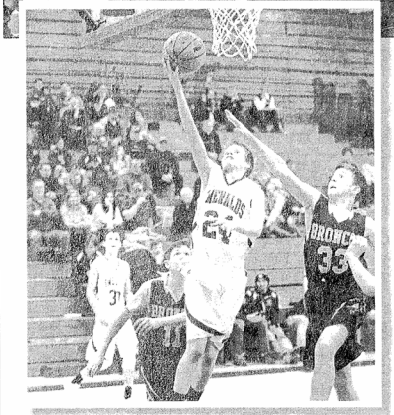
In addition to turning the ball over, Marietti said they had issues getting a shot off against Bark River.

"At one point, I had to ask my stat people because they only had us taking 32 shots, but then I start-

ed thinking about it, and we really did not take many shots - especially when you throw the ball to them," he explained. "We just keep getting out hustled for every loose ball and we are not playing solid defense."

Lanzon led the Emeralds in scoring with 13 points. Manistique (0-6) will have a busy schedule starting with a road trip to Ishpeming (1-3) Friday and home games against Big Bay de Noc (0-4) Saturday and Munising (3-2) Monday.

Manistique 13, 8, 20, 7 38
Bark River 12, 17, 26, 16 71
Manistique closed out 2017 with a 72-50 loss to Engadine and an 84-34 loss to Negaunee.



JV drops 2018 opener in overtime

2018 looked to be starting out pretty good for the Emerald junior varsity squad Tuesday night at home. Leading the first three quarters 15-11, 26-14, and 33-27, respectively, the Emerald were looking to add one to the win column. Unfortunately, the visiting Bark River Harris Broncos had an alternative plan and came in tying the game at 41 with just 1:48 left on the clock. The teams tied again at 43 with 11.6 remaining before going into over time action. In the end, the Broncos handed the Emeralds their first loss of the New Year, 53-48. Above left, freshman Nathan Chase works his magic under the net attempting two in second quarter action. Above, Ryan Taylor uses his height and stretches for two in the first quarter of the competition. At left, Sam Warren attempts to lay one up off the glass. The JV team is coached by Jon Birtner.

Well, as most of you that read my articles know, I am in no way a skeptic so when I say this it comes after much thought and freezing for the last week! If global warming is here and we are all going to get burned up by the sun, just maybe the U.P. part of the world does not fit into the global warming scenario. It is a fact that being almost three-fourth of a century old I cannot recall there ever being a holiday period like the one we had this year where the temperatures turned as cold as they did and stayed there.

One interesting thing about this weather is that there were times that hundreds of miles south of us they had temperatures ten or more degrees colder than we did. When we were at zero they had minus 17 and when we managed to get a whole 2 degrees above zero they had a negative 9. Make notes because it will be one of those times when you can tell your grandkids, "Back when I was younger..."

Living up here in the U.P. and Northern Michigan (Northern Lower Michigan) there are always some interesting things we learn to live with that others just do not understand. The following was in a publication out in Pennsylvania and sent my way.

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If your idea of creative landscaping is a statue of a deer (preferably a trophy buck) next to your blue spruce.

If down South to you means Indiana, Illinois, or Ohio.

If your neighbor throws a party

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Ret. Sgt. John Walker

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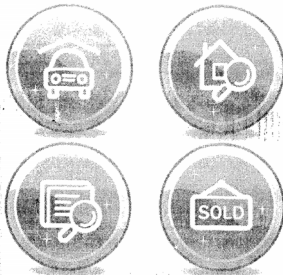
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Wetlands a vital resource for Michigan

By Casey Warner
Michigan Department of Natural Resources

When thinking about Michigan's important, valuable landscapes, many of us first think of the Great Lakes, northern forests and sandy beaches. Wetlands might not immediately come to mind.

They certainly didn't for early Michigan settlers, who were less than impressed with the state's abundance of swamps and marshes — more than 10 million acres of wetlands before European settlement.

Pointe Mouillee State Game Area, on the western shores of Lake Erie, is one of Michigan's seven Wetland Wonders. "The banks of the Detroit River are handsome, but nine-tenths of the land in the Territory is unfit for cultivation," said General Duncan McArthur, stationed at Fort Detroit, in 1814.

The 1816 Tiffin Report by Edward Tiffin, surveyor general of the United States, had equally disparaging things to say about Michigan's land and agricultural potential, including: "Michigan apparently consisted of swamps, lakes, and poor, sandy soil not worth the cost of surveying. Not more than one acre in a hundred, or perhaps a thousand, could be cultivated."

In the two centuries that followed, about half of Michigan's original wetlands have been drained and filled.

"Michigan was once considered a mosquito-infested, golfersaken swamp, and wetlands were drained to establish roads and agriculture and build communities," said Steve Shine, who coordinates wetland mitigation banking — the process of establishing new wetland areas before development or other projects impact existing wetland areas — for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. "This historic conversion of wetlands has made Michigan what it is today, but now we're focused on restoring wetlands to replace those impacted by agriculture, public works projects and development that are also important to the state."

Today, we recognize the value of wetlands, even celebrate them with observances like American Wetlands Month in May, and the need to conserve them.

"Michigan residents, whether they know it or not, have a strong connection to our state's wetlands and the waterfowl that rely on them," said Barb Avers, DNR waterfowl and wetland specialist. "Some go duck hunting every year, while others sit on their back porches and watch the annual fall waterfowl migrations. And many citizens get clear drinking water from groundwater purified by Michigan's wetlands."

In 1979, the Michigan legislature passed the state's wetlands protection statute, which recognizes the benefits and important functions and values provided by



Wetlands are home to painted turtles, one of Michigan's most common turtle species

Photo Courtesy DNR

wetlands. Administered by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Michigan's wetlands protection statute requires permits for construction activities in wetlands.

What exactly is a wetland? Michigan law defines a wetland as "land characterized by the presence of water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances does support, wetland vegetation or aquatic life, and is commonly referred to as a bog, swamp, or marsh."

More simply put, wetlands are areas where land and water meet.

They are characterized by the presence of water that saturates the soil or covers the land for some or all of the year, which leads to the development of plant and animal communities adapted to these conditions.

The three major types of wetlands are marshes, which have standing water from less than an inch to several feet deep and might be called flooded grasslands; swamps, dominated by woody plants and best described as flooded woodlands or shrublands; and bogs, which occur where accumulations of decaying vegetation form mats that eventually cover and then fill in old ponds or lakes.

Wetlands play a critical role in managing Michigan's water-based resources, providing flood storage, groundwater recharge, wildlife habitat, pollution

treatment, erosion control and nutrient uptake.

Wetlands are a significant factor in the health and existence of Michigan's other natural resources, such as inland lakes, groundwater, fisheries, wildlife and the Great Lakes.

Wetlands are "like nature's kidneys," Avers said, in that they filter pollutants from surface runoff, trapping fertilizers, pesticides, sediments and other contaminants, helping to break some of them down into less harmful substances, improving water clarity and quality.

They also replenish surface and underground drinking water sources.

Home to a wide variety of birds, including the secretive scree owl, Michigan's wetlands make great wildlife viewing destinations. "Wetland soils help to filter pollutants and excess nutrients out of the water to create a cleaner water supply for all of us," said Holly Vaughn, DNR wildlife communications coordinator. "They also provide important flood control, acting like sponges to soak up extra rain and storm water."

Wetlands are vital to Michigan's wildlife as well. Acre for acre, they produce more wildlife and plants than any other Michigan habitat type.

"About 25 percent of mammals, 50 percent of birds, nearly all reptiles, and every amphibian in Michigan use wetlands," said Avers.

Avers added that, although wetlands make up only

five percent of the area of the contiguous U.S., more than a third of threatened and endangered species live only in wetlands.

"Wetlands provide excellent benefits to wildlife, including important migratory stopover habitat for waterfowl and migratory songbirds too," Vaughn said.

While many wildlife species find homes in Michigan's wetlands, many people find recreation destinations there.

This includes waterfowl hunting — Michigan regularly ranks in the top three states for Canada goose harvest and hunters in the nation, and in the top 10 for average annual sales of federal duck stamps — and a variety of other outdoor pursuits.

"Michigan has exceptional wetland recreation opportunities," Vaughn said. "Among the best of them, our Wetland Wonders (the DNR's managed waterfowl areas) offer great waterfowl hunting, wildlife viewing, trapping, hiking, fishing and boating."

Those recreation opportunities lead to significant economic impact.

"Wetlands are important for the state's economy," said Avers. "Waterfowl hunting trips, which take place largely in wetland areas, generate \$22 million each year in Michigan. Fish, wildlife and recreational activities related to Michigan's coastal wetlands generate \$52 million annually. Waterfowl hunting trips, which take place largely in wetland areas, generate \$22 million each year in Michigan."

Avers added that renowned waterfowl and coastal wetland areas like Saginaw Bay, St. Clair Flats and the Detroit River have built and supported local economies and communities with industries such as duck decoys, boats and hunting clubs.

"Great Lakes coastal wetlands are highly productive and rare ecosystems, and are widely recognized as vital to the overall Great Lakes ecosystem, providing habitat for migratory waterfowl, wading birds, sport and forage fish, amphibians and reptiles, and many other native wildlife," said Anne Garwood, DEQ Great Lakes coastal wetland ecologist. "In some parts of the state, where up to 90 percent of Michigan's coastal wetlands have been lost, the protection and restoration of coastal wetlands is especially critical."

Although now recognized for their importance to wildlife, people, the environment and the economy — and with laws in place that have helped slow their loss — wetlands still face threats.

These threats include invasive species, climate change and declining Great Lakes water levels, and demand for development on existing wetlands.

To learn more about Michigan wetlands, visit michigan.gov/wetlands.

BOW Winter Sports Workshop planned in Porkies

LANSING — The Michigan Department of Natural Resources Becoming an Outdoors-Woman Program is offering a Beyond BOW Winter Sports Workshop at Porcupine Wilderness State Park.

Scheduled for the weekend of Jan. 26-28, the program is for women who have some previous

experience and would like to enhance their skills and abilities.

Participants will have opportunities to ice fish and cross-country ski both Saturday and Sunday, and, in addition, snowshoeing will be offered Saturday. Participants should bring ice fishing gear, snowshoes, cross

country skis, and outdoor apparel appropriate for winter weather. There is a downhill ski resort as well for those who wish to bring downhill skis.

A fishing license is required for those who wish to fish during the workshop. An all-species fishing license should be purchased prior

to the event. The cost is \$26, or a 24-hour license may be purchased for \$10. A Recreation Passport or daily parking pass also is required for entry to the state park.

Participants will meet at the Kang Wudjoo Lodge Friday afternoon/evening for two nights of lodging. Instructors will be on-site

beginning at 2 p.m. to assist with check-in. Dinner will be provided by the instructors Friday evening. The lodge has a full kitchen, so participants will be able to prepare their own meals on-site for the remainder of the event.

Enrollment is limited to 10, and enrollees must be 18 or older. The

deadline for registration is Jan. 8.

Class information and registration materials are available online at www.michigan.gov/bow. This will be a rain, shine or snow event. For further information, contact Michelle Zellar at (906) 293-5131 or email zellarm@michigan.gov.

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