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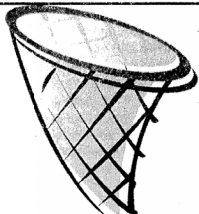
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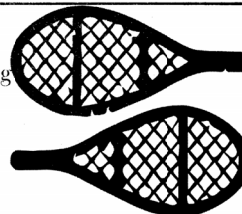
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## News Briefs

### Local woman faces felony embezzlement charge

MANISTIQUE - A Manistique woman is facing a felony embezzlement charge after allegedly taking money from a local financial institution.

Donna Ann Maxwell, 50, of 529 Cherry St., was recently arraigned in 93rd District Court on one count of embezzlement from a bank, deposit, trust company, or credit union - a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison.

She is scheduled to appear for a preliminary hearing Feb. 14 at 9:30 a.m.

### Manistique man enters no contest plea in CSC case

MANISTIQUE - A Manistique man facing multiple counts of criminal sexual conduct has been scheduled for sentencing after entering a plea agreement in 11th Judicial Circuit Court.

Jared Ryan Billings, 27, of 402 Intake Park Road, recently entered a plea of no contest to one count of criminal sexual conduct, first degree; and two counts of criminal sexual conduct, second degree.

The plea agreement includes a minimum sentence of 17 years in prison, with a maximum of up to 30 years in prison. Billings' plea includes lifetime inclusion on the Sex Offender Registry, as well as lifetime electronic monitoring.

He is scheduled to be sentenced March 8 at 10 a.m.

### CBC individual fundraisers underway, center joins in

MANISTIQUE - The 51st year of the annual CBC Fund Drive is now underway. Individual fundraisers will take place throughout the community prior to the CBC Radio-Teletthon March 25.

The Blanchard Center has started its FedEx sales toward CBC. The fundraising event will run until March 23. A portion of all orders will go to CBC.

## Upcoming Events

Jan. 26, 27, 28 - Open Skate, Little Bear West Arena, 6-9 p.m.

Jan. 29, 31 - Open Pool, Manistique Middle and High School, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Jan. 27, 28 - 31st annual Indian Lake Ice Fishing Derby, Indian Lake, Registration deadline Jan. 27 at 9 a.m.

Feb. 3 - Super Saturday Showho and Winter Hike, Environmental Education Lab, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

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

Feb. 20 - Tech Tuesday, Manistique School and Public Library, 12 p.m., call 341-4316 to register

Feb. 21 - Habitat for Humanity Application Day, Ed Havitz Conference Room in the Blanchard Center, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Feb. 24 - Manistique SnoFest, Manistique Central Park, Little Juggers Kids Ice Fishing, 11 a.m.; Frosty 5K Run/Walk, 10 a.m.

Feb. 24 - Walk for Warmth, Manistique Senior Center, 9 a.m.

## Mid-year budget reviewed, council picks new mayor

Perilloux, Shiner assume positions, Hollister returns

MANISTIQUE - The city of Manistique has a new mayor, mayor pro-tem, and city council member. The new appointments, as well as a mid-year budget review, took place during Monday's meeting of the Manistique City Council.

The meeting kicked off with the nomination of resident Rick Hollister to serve on council. Jacqueline Jenor, elected to council in November's election as a write-in candidate, opted not to fulfill her position in January due to a conflict of interest. Council member agreed to advertise for

the vacancy and received two letters of interest - one from Aimee Lunsford and one from Rick Hollister.

Hollister, who has served eight years previously on council, was unanimously approved by members to fill the vacant seat.

Following Hollister's election, nominations for mayor were entertained. Council member Kimberly Shiner nominated council member Mike Perilloux for the position. Perilloux was approved by a unanimous vote.

"Thank you for voting for me as your next mayor - I appreciate it," said Perilloux. "I don't take the responsibility lightly, it's a big responsibility, I know

that ... I do pledge to be committed to the council, the position itself - mayor, to the city employees that really make things happen here in Manistique right there on the ground level, and, of course, the people of Manistique - that's ultimately who we're here to serve."

Councilperson Paul Walker then nominated Shiner to serve as mayor pro-tem. She was approved for the position by unanimous vote.

"I'm happy to be serving the council, in the capacity I am, with the people the on council that I'm with," said Shiner. "I look

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## Quick facts

- The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners recently approved a \$93,000 bid from CUPPAD to complete GIS mapping of the area.
- The Geographic Information System will first benefit the 911 dispatchers for the area.
- The system is being paid for using the Schoolcraft County's 911 Fund.

## County to update mapping system

Board approves \$93K bid for GIS mapping of area

MANISTIQUE - Schoolcraft County will be the recipient of an updated geographic information system for the area. The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners approved a \$93,000 bid for the mapping services during a recent meeting.

GIS integrates, stores, edits, analyzes, shares, and displays geographic information. Users of GIS applications can create interactive queries, analyze spatial information, edit data in maps, and present the results of all these operations.

According to Commissioner Craig Reiter, the county has been in need of updating its mapping system. In fact, he claimed the county had received a letter from the state, which handles the 911 dispatching for the area, that the GIS updates are a necessity.

"One of the things that we're running into with our 911 calls is that the CAD (computer aided dispatch) system that we are using now is basically a big mess," he said. "Anybody that uses Google maps knows that sometimes they're spot on and sometimes it puts you on the other side of the lake. We've had some problems with emergency calls."

Reiter explained that using GIS, Schoolcraft County will be accurately mapped, including exact addresses, parcel coordinates, etc. The process, he added, is expected to take approximately three years.

As for funding GIS, Reiter said the Schoolcraft County's 911 Advisory Committee has indicated that the 911 fund would cover the cost of the mapping. The fund is comprised of revenue from a 911 surcharge found on the phone bill of each Michigan resident.

Once the initial mapping is done, however, the county will have to pay out of pocket for any additional GIS-related expenses.

"If we go further with this information once it's done - if we go to having an online system, if we go to using it within the county, then it's not an allowable 911 charge," Reiter explained. "Once we have the information and are now using it for 911 ... then we can, at that point, look at what we'd like to do with this system once

## THE 'GRIND' OPENING



Above, the ribbon is cut during the grand opening ceremony of The Grind student-run coffee house in Manistique.

## Student-run coffee shop celebrates grand opening

MANISTIQUE - Years of dedication has produced a source of pride for the community and all those involved with its development - The Grind coffee house. A grand opening ceremony for the local, student-run coffee stop was held last week.

The inception of The Grind involved Manistique High School students and the Limestone Federal Credit Union. In September 2015, Limestone Federal Credit Union applied for and received a Michigan Credit Union Community Reinvestment Grant. The \$20,000 grant helped with getting the student-run coffee

shop going, and further fundraising over the next couple of years solidified the business.

This fundraising included in-kind donations from numerous local businesses.

The building being used for the coffee shop is the former Secretary of State office located adjacent to LFCU.

According to LFCU CEO Jennifer Watson, the path to the coffee shop's grand opening has involved a community effort.

"This is the culmination from many different facets of the community - we are really happy to have had the opportu-

nity to play a part in this," she explained. "There are hundreds of people we could thank for this project, so we really would like to thank everyone for their part without naming any individual names."

Alan Barr, CEO and executive director of the Schoolcraft Tourism and Commerce group, praised the creation of the coffee shop and all involved with the process.

"It becomes a gathering place, but it also becomes a teaching place, for every

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# Super Saturday Snowshoe event returning to Environmental Lab

MANISTIQUE – Come out and enjoy the fun and beauty of winter during the annual Super Saturday Snowshoe and Winter Hike event at the Manistique Township Environmental Education Lab Feb. 3 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. The free event is geared toward people of all ages, and there will be snowshoes, loaned by the Manistique Area Schools, on hand to borrow.

The first 50 participants will receive a certificate from Big Boy for a free hot chocolate to enjoy on the day of the event. Additionally, all participants will be entered in door prize drawings donated by Main Street Pizza, Hardee's, Cedar Street Cafe, The Downtowner and Top-O-Lake. Drawings will be held twice during the event. Participants need not be present at the drawing to win.

The Lab was harvested during December, so some may note a definite change of scenery. The harvest was necessary for trail safety, as beech bark disease was killing nearly all the beech, causing them to become hazards as they lost limbs and fell down.

In addition, mature paper birch and balsam fir had begun to fall across trails more often. Removing the beech, mature



Courtesy photo

Residents are encouraged to grab their snowshoes and head to the annual Super Saturday Snowshoe and Winter Hike event Feb. 3 at the Environmental Education Lab. Snowshoes will also be available to borrow for the duration of the event.

balsam fir, aspen, and paper birch, leaves a safer trail system. It also encourages the new sprouting of

aspen and the vigorous growth of the remaining trees as they now get a larger dose of sunlight.

Weather conditions have varied over the years for this event, but regardless of snow conditions, the Lab provides a place for winter walks, skiing or snowshoeing in the woods.

More information is available on the Lab's Facebook page @ EELabManistique.

The Environmental Lab is located on 80 acres at the end of Krummich Road in Manistique Township and overlooks the Jamestown Slough.

From U.S. Highway 2, turn north onto the River Road, go one mile and turn left on Krummich Road (where the big powerline crosses). After one mile, Krummich takes a sharp left.

Continue on Krummich to the Lab parking area.

Manistique Township, working together with the Schoolcraft Conservation District, is using the money from the timber harvest as matching funds for a grant to make improvements at the Lab.

More volunteers to assist with the planning and implementation are welcomed. If interested, contact Doug Smith at 286-2370 or Heidi Troyer at 341-2965 for more information.

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### Committee for annual car show set for Jan. 29

MANISTIQUE – The Schoolcraft Tourism and Commerce/Merchants Labor Day Car Show committee will meet Jan. 29.

The car show is scheduled to take place Sept. 1.

Anyone interested in helping to grow the event is welcome to attend.

For more information, call Alan Barr at (906) 286-1922.

### MSU Extension plans field crop webinar series

EAST LANSING – MSU Extension will offer a series of six online programs highlighting field crop production and pest management Monday evenings from Feb. 19 through March 26. Participants will learn how to enhance their corn, soybean, small grain and forage production systems in the coming season, and have an opportunity to ask questions of MSU agriculture experts.

The live webinar presentations will run 7-8 p.m. each Monday evening.

One MDARD Pesticide Recertification Credit will be available through each webinar. However, pre-registration is required for all participants at a cost of \$20 for the full series of six webinars or \$5 per individual webinar session.

Visit <https://events.ans.msu.edu/FieldCropsWebinarSeries2018/> to register and access connection information. Contact James DeDecker at (989) 734-2168 or dedecker5@msu.edu for more information, or by Feb. 5 to request accommodations for persons with disabilities.

Requests received after this date will be fulfilled when possible.

## The Archives

This week in the Pioneer Tribune...

### 50 Years Ago January 25, 1968

• Spec. 4 Roy Hinkson, son Mr. and Mrs. Chancy Hinkson, 319 Schoolcraft Ave., was seriously wounded in action Jan. 10 in action near Dau Teing in Vietnam, his parents learned Jan. 12. His mother said this week that her son was wounded about 9:30 in the morning after his unit had been ambushed the night before. They are still uncertain as to whether he was wounded by a mine or machine gun, but said he suffered wounds in both lower legs, the upper left arm, and once in the chest. Treated at the 45th Surgical Hospital, he is expected to be evacuated to Japan, then later to the United States. Out of seven men in his unit, one was killed and four wounded in action.

• Work has been complete on the new 44 by 100 foot hangar at the Schoolcraft County airport. The new building, located just to the east of the existing hangar, will be used for transit aircraft as well as local planes. Airport Manager Vern Bernard also reported that he and Walter Peterson, Jr. of Manistique received their instrument pilot ratings last week after demonstrating their capabilities before Federal Aviation Authority personnel. Robert Lambert of Cornell, trained by Bernard, has received his commercial pilot's license. Bernard also reported 22 planes have used the facilities so far this month.

• Winners in the snow sled rally held Sunday at the Three Mile Supper Club have been announced. First flight winner was Joel Haholik, while Jim LaFave took top honors in the second flight. Topping the third flight was Allen DesJardens, while the fourth flight winner was Clarence James. Winner of the powder puff event was Eleanor Parrish. The event was supervised by Jess Gutierrez and Roy Schwilch.

• Members of the Manistique Charter Commission met last week to put their signature on the proposed new charter for Manistique. Commission members are Clyde Strasser, Chairman Ingmar Levin, John Orr, Mrs. John Moffat, Norman Jahn, Joseph Giovanni, Otmer Schuster, Jack Phillips and Raymond Krusic.

• Nationwide reorganization of the National Guard will mean some changes in the local Guard unit. Capt. John Paul Quirk, commanding officer of Co. D, 107th Engineer Battalion, explained this week. Although the unit will no longer be designated as a company, strength will actually be increased by two men, and additional equipment may eventually be assigned here, he said. He added that he felt it made no difference in the community's chances to secure a new armory for the Guard unit.

### 35 Years Ago January 27, 1983

• Flowers are not the only things that disappear with January snows. The flower boxes atop parking meter poles in Manistique have also gone away, only they won't be coming up again next spring. At the request of the Manistique Merchants Association, city Department of Public Works crews cut down the poles with torches and removed the boxes. The Merchants Association set up the boxes in the spring of 1981. They were paid for and maintained by businesses. But they were also attacked by vandals and used as wastehigh ash trays. The problem with the abuse of boxes got so bad that the city decided they had to go, according to Charles Varum, city manager. Some downtown businessmen were unhappy because they paid \$21 for each box, and did not want their investment just taken away. Varum said the metal boxes are not in the landfill yet, and if anyone wants to claim theirs, they can contact city hall.

• The Coast Guard H-52 Sea Guard helicopter out of Traverse City was forced down at 1:30 p.m. Jan. 12 because of hydraulic problems and had to land at the Schoolcraft County Airport. A crew came up from Traverse City to fix it while a sister chopper waited nearby.

• If Manistique cannot get money from the federal government to rebuild its leaky water lines all at once, the city council will go to the voters and ask for millage to do it a little at a time. The council voted 4-0 last Friday to hold a special election requesting a one-mill property tax increase which would last 25 years. The vote will come if the city does not get a \$3.5 million federal grant to repair water pipes by June 30 this year. It would raise between 60,000 and \$70,000 a year. The city should know one way or the other on the grant by mid-year. If the grant is not forthcoming, the voters will have a chance to say what they are willing to spend.

### 20 Years Ago January 29, 1998

• The 12th annual Ice Fishing Derby will be held Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 7 and 8, on Indian Lake. Sponsored by the Top O' Lake Sport & Gift Shop and A's Taxidermy, the contest includes a \$10,000 tagged walleye that will be placed in Indian Lake prior to the event. The tagged walleye portion of the contest is sponsored by the Manistique Area Tourist Council in conjunction with the "Freeze Your Cheeks in Manistique" winter festival.

• The Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce has selected new officers. Effective this year, the officers are President: Lawrence Smith (Manistique Parkers Inc.); Vice President: Michael Neusser (Kewadin Casino); Secretary: Rita Schuster (Savings Agency); and Treasurer: Graham Wildis (State Savings Bank).

• The Saull Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is moving closer to naming the recently opened Manistique Multi-Purpose Building. Tribal spokesman John Hultsch said the tribe's board of directors has tentatively dubbed the facility the "Little Bear West" arena. The tribe has the right to name the building because of its \$500,000 contribution toward the completion of the facility. City of Manistique Manager Al Housler and other city officials often have said the facility would not be open without the tribe's financial assistance.

### 10 Years Ago January 24, 2008

• Close friends, staff and residents were on hand for an emotional ceremony Tuesday afternoon, as Dr. Duane L. and Margaret Waters dedicated the new Patrick T. Waters Memorial Library at the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility. In the works over a year now, the library was approved by the facility board in January 2007. Patrick Waters, son of Duane and Margaret, died in October 2006. The Waters said Patrick had a passion for books and a thirst for knowledge. He also owned an extensive personal library.

• For the first time ever, the Manistique High School competitive cheer team has earned a state ranking. According to the results for the week of Jan. 21, the Emerald squad ranked 10th statewide in Division 4. Standings are determined by a poll of cheer coaches and officials from around the state.

• Joe Block got the honor of leading the varsity Emeralds onto the court before last Friday's contest against Nepean. Block served as team mascot for the game thanks to his family's winning bid at last fall's Support Our Students fundraising dinner and auction.

# 'OK2SAY' student safety program has received more than 10,000 tips

LANSING – Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette recently announced that the OK2SAY student safety program has received 10,734 tips since the program was started in September 2014. In 2017 alone, the program received 4,605 tips – up 37 percent from 2016. For the first time suicide threats topped the tip list.

Tips were received across 30 categories including the following: 1,205 tips on suicide threats; 961 tips on bullying; 456 tips in the other category, related to anxiety, stress, depression, harassment 390 tips on self-harm 311 tips on drugs; and 287 tips on cyberbullying.

"This program can be categorized as nothing else but a success, and it is a success because Michigan students are using it," said Schuette.

"OK2SAY has given students who previously did not know where to turn a confidential place to get help. I want to thank our presneters and the OK2SAY technicians at the Michigan

State Police who make students feel safe and comfortable when providing tips. They are another piece of the puzzle that makes this program such a success."

OK2SAY is a student safety program that acts as an early warning system in Michigan schools to prevent tragedies before they occur. Launched in 2014, the program encourages students to submit confidential tips to trained technicians regarding potential harm or threats 24/7.

Through the 4,605 tips received in 2017, OK2SAY has saved lives. Submitted tips have prevented school violence, thwarted suicide attempts and provided help to many Michigan students in need of mental health or social services.

OK2SAY is effective in combating the culture of silence that permeates Michigan schools. After every tip a report is filled out and acted upon. In the 2016 reports, 67 percent of schools, law enforcement and mental health professionals who received the tip from OK2SAY line said they were previously unaware of the problem.

OK2SAY has proven to be immensely successful in saving lives and preventing tragedies.

The key features of OK2SAY Confidential Reporting: State law protects the confidentiality of the reporter's identity.

The identity of the reporting party will not be disclosed to local law enforcement, school officials, or the person about whom a tip is offered, unless the reporter voluntarily chooses to disclose his or her identity.

If the reporter is a minor, the parent or guardian must also consent.

Comprehensive Technology: Anyone can confidentially submit tips 24/7 using any of the five tip methods detailed below. Multimedia attachments like photos, videos, and links to additional information are encouraged.

Coordinated Intervention: Upon receipt of a tip, specially trained OK2SAY technicians at the Michigan State Police screen and forward tips to an appropriate responding agency including: local law enforcement, schools, local community mental health

organizations, or the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Accountability: Each responding organization is asked to complete an Outcome Report detailing the nature of the tip, how the tip was handled, and whether the tip situation was resolved or requires ongoing attention.

This provides local entities an opportunity to illustrate that student safety threats are tracked and taken seriously. The 2016 Annual Report details the types and numbers of tips handled throughout the year.

How to submit AN OK2SAY tip OK2SAY encourages confidential tips on criminal activities or potential harm directed at students, school employees, and schools.

Tips can be submitted through the following ways:

- Call: (855) 565-2729
  - Text: 652729 (OK2SAY)
  - Email: ok2say@mi.gov
  - Web: www.ok2say.com
- OK2SAY Mobile App: Available for download in app stores for iPhone and Android.

# Report: Michigan's unemployment insurance now worst in Midwest

By Mona Shand

LANSING – If you find yourself unemployed and you live in Michigan, it's a double whammy, according to a new analysis that finds the state falls far short of its neighbors when it comes to providing a safety net to those looking for jobs.

The report from the Michigan League for Public Policy puts the state dead last in the Midwest for both the amount and duration of benefits it provides unemployed workers.

Report author Peter Ruark says when a worker is unemployed, the resulting spending cuts he or she must make will first impact that person's family, but will then have a ripple effect.

"It also means that the businesses around them are suffering," he points out. "So unemployment

insurance is actually a very good way to keep the economy somewhat stable when there are periods of high unemployment."

The report says Michigan's jobless can collect benefits for 20 weeks, compared with 26 weeks in all seven nearby states.

The report recommends expanding eligibility for unemployment insurance and tying the amount of benefits to the state's average weekly wage.

While some cite declining unemployment numbers as proof the system doesn't need any improvement, Ruark says that sort of thinking is what has gotten the state into trouble in the past.

"We wait until there is a crisis on top of us and then we say, 'Oh, this should have been fixed,'" he points out. "Now is a good time to make sure that we improve the unemployment insurance system so that next time we have

a recession, we are prepared as a state."

Lawmakers recently passed a series of bipartisan reforms to the

unemployment insurance system after the state wrongly accused nearly 48,000 people of fraud, resulting in having to refund more than \$20 million dollars.

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# State awards \$3.6M in grants to combat invasive species

\$59K award to ACD to benefit Schoolcraft area

LANSING — The Michigan departments of Environmental Quality, Natural Resources, and Agriculture and Rural Development recently announced that 23 projects will share \$3.6 million in state grants through the Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program, an initiative launched in 2014 to help prevent and control invasive species within the state.

Schoolcraft County will be among the beneficiaries. The Alger Conservation District received \$59,300 to provide staffing to perform core Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area functions such as rapid response to new detections of high priority and watch list species, strategic management of existing key species, and prevention via education and outreach to general and targeted audiences across Schoolcraft, Alger, Marquette, and Delta counties.

The Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program targets four key objectives:

Preventing new introductions of invasive species through outreach and education.

Monitoring for new invasive species and the expansion of existing invasive species.

Responding to and conducting eradication efforts for new findings and range expansions.

Strategically managing and controlling key colonized species.

"Michigan's Invasive Species Grant Program provides vital support to our partners throughout the state in the fight against invasive species," said DNR Director Keith Creagh. "Protecting our world-class woods and waters to ensure these valuable natural resources remain healthy and accessible to current and future generations is one of our most important priorities. These grant dollars will go a long way toward making that happen."

Covering 100 percent of Michigan's 83 counties

In 2018, the Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program is funding two new CISMA, meeting a program metric of providing



Courtesy photo

Staff of Cooperative Invasive Species Management Areas across the state work hard to manage invasive species like Japanese knotweed, shown here being injected with herbicide by a West Michigan CISMA employee.

management services to every county in Michigan.

The Jackson Conservation District is awarded funding to initiate the Jackson, Lenawee and Washtenaw Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area.

The St. Joseph Conservation District will lead the development of the Southern Michigan Invasive Species Team, serving Branch, Hillsdale and St. Joseph counties.

Ten existing CISMAs across the state will receive grants this year

Hemlock woolly adelgid can kill hemlock trees in as little as four years.

Its establishment threatens the more than 170 million hemlock trees that grow in Michigan's forests and landscapes.

Treatments will occur in Allegan, Muskegon, Oceana and Ottawa counties, where outbreaks have been documented, and survey efforts will span an additional 10 counties along Lake Michigan to determine the extent of the infestation.

Managing aquatic invaders  
Grant funding will support a broad range of aquatic invasive species efforts, including:

Testing responses of different Eurasian watermilfoil hybrids to herbicide treatments to improve management of this invasive plant that is plaguing Michigan's waters.

Evaluating control options for European frogbit, an invasive plant spreading along Michigan's eastern coastline.

Assessing methods of grass carp management in Lake Erie to improve future efforts and inform early-detection actions for other invasive carp species not yet in the Great Lakes.

Providing opportunities to paddlers and other recreational users on 12 water trails across the state to identify, report and reduce the spread of aquatic invasive species through a comprehensive outreach and education project.

The full list of grant recipients, project descriptions and award amounts is available on the Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program website.

The DNR began accepting grant applications for this funding cycle in June 2017. After the original call for pre-proposals (which yielded 68 applications seeking more than \$12 million), the department received 35 full proposals requesting \$6.2 million in support.

Grant applicants were asked to commit to providing at least 10 percent of the total project cost in the form of a local match.

Learn more about invasive species in Michigan at [www.michigan.gov/invasivespecies](http://www.michigan.gov/invasivespecies).

## News Briefs

### MSP seeks volunteers for faith-based CAUTION

ST. IGNACE — The Michigan State Police St. Ignace is looking for volunteers to join its CAUTION initiative, which stands for Community Action United Team in Our Neighborhood. CAUTION is a partnership between the MSP and clergy and faith group members of all faiths that works to increase trust and communication between law enforcement and residents.

The MSP created CAUTION in 2012 at the Flint Post. Since that time, the program has expanded to include faith leaders in Saginaw, Inkster, Muskegon Heights and Benton Harbor, with a total of 103 trained volunteers currently participating in the program. Due to the program's success, CAUTION is expanding statewide in 2018 to each of MSP's 30 posts.

CAUTION members meet regularly with St. Ignace Post person-

nel to encourage dialog and information-sharing. They can also be activated to respond alongside law enforcement at crime scenes to ease tensions and provide emotional support to residents. CAUTION members will partner with MSP members at civic events and diversionary events that seek to deter future criminal behavior in their communities.

The MSP provides various training to CAUTION volunteers, some which includes courses in critical incident defusing/debriefing, security in places of worship, responding with law enforcement in a crisis, avoiding caregiver burnout and clergy's role at a critical incident scene. There is also an annual statewide CAUTION conference.

Interested individuals can contact Trooper Patrick Janisse at (906) 643-7582 to learn more.

### Mine safety annual refresher training scheduled

ESCANABA — Bay College Training and Development will be hosting an eight-hour annual

MSHA Refresher course of Part 46 and 48 of the Mine Act, Mine Safety and Health Administration.

The program covers the annual training requirements for owners and operators under 30 CFR parts 46 and 48 (companies training under Part 46 must have an approved training plan).

Owners or employees of shell dredging, sand, gravel, surface stone, surface clay, colloidal phosphate, and surface limestone mines must receive annual training under 30 CFR parts 46 and 48. All attendees must be "experienced

miners" and have completed their 24-hour New Miner training.

Training will be conducted through Michigan Technological University's Michigan Mine Safety and Health Training grant.

Participants can choose to attend Feb. 7, Feb. 8, or Feb. 9, and training will take place from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The annual MSHA training will be held at the M-TEC, located at 2000 North 30th St. Escanaba, and the cost to attend is \$49 with lunch included.

Deadline to register is Feb. 2. For more information, including registration information, contact Bay College's office of Training and Development at (906) 217-4200.

## Text updates

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its system to notify bridge customers directly and quickly when closures occur."

There is no cost to receive these updates, aside from any texting fees from the participant's mobile coverage plan.

To opt in to this text alert system:

1. Text "MacBridge" to 67283
2. Users will receive a reply: "Welcome to Mac Bridge. Reply STOP MacBridge to Cancel. MSG & Data Rates May Apply. MSG Frequency Varies," verifying participation in the text alert-

ing system.

3. A second reply will follow: "Welcome to the Mackinac Bridge Text Alerting System. TO OPT OUT of this alerting system reply STOP MacBridge."

Mackinac County 911 also made this texting system available for notifications prior to the 2017 Annual Bridge Walk.

At its peak, about 17,000 people signed up for those alerts.

A separate text update program will be made available prior to the 2018 Annual Bridge Walk — a popular annual event.

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Lifestyles Briefs

Diocese announces Catholic Schools Week

MARQUETTE - Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It starts the last Sunday in January and runs all week, which in 2018 is Jan. 28-Feb. 3.

Schools typically observe the annual celebration week with masses, open houses, and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members.

The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2018 is "Catholic Schools: Learn Serve. Lead. Succeed." This theme was created to celebrate Catholic schools and encompasses the core products and values found in Catholic schools across the country.

Bay will host opening reception for artist

ESCANABA - Bay College will host an Opening Reception and Artist Talk for the exhibition, "Building a Home," by artist April South-Olson. The event will take place in the Hartwig Gallery Jan. 25 at 3 p.m.

South-Olson is an abstract artist. The exhibition of her work can be viewed in the Hartwig Gallery from through February 23.

Ceremony for Pictured Rocks quarter planned for February

MUNISING - The United States Mint and the National Park Service will launch the "America the Beautiful Quarters Program" coin featuring Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore in Munising Feb. 7.

The ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. at the Mather Elementary School Auditorium. Additional event highlights include a performance by the Munising High School Concert Choir, a ceremonial coin pour, and an exchange of \$10 rolls of newly-minted Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore quarters after the ceremony.

Paul Balan, designer of the quarter, will also attend.

The United States Mint will host a coin forum the evening before the launch ceremony, Feb. 6, from 6-7 p.m. at the Munising Township Office, E9636 Prospect St., Wetmore, Mich. The coin forum is an opportunity for the public to learn about upcoming United States Mint coin programs and initiatives, and express their views about future coinage.

The Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore quarter is the 41st re-

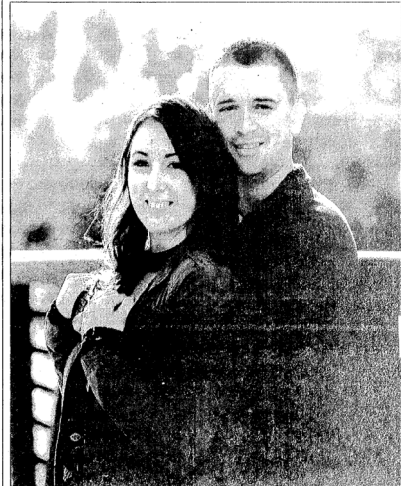


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lease in the United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters Program, a 12-year initiative that honors 56 national parks and other national sites authorized by Public Law 110-456. Each year, the public will see

five new national sites depicted on the reverse (tails sides) of the America the Beautiful Quarters. The United States Mint is issuing these quarters in the order in which the national sites were officially established.

Engagements



Kalyssa Lynne Jenerou and Colton Beebe

Jenerou-Beebe

MANISTIQUE - William and Bonnie Jenerou of Manistique, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Kalyssa Lynne Jenerou to Colton Beebe of Breckenridge, Mich.

The bride-to-be is a 2012 graduate of Manistique High School. She attended Mid Michigan Community College where she received her associates degree in nursing. She is currently employed at Online Engineering in Manistique. Colton graduated from Breckenridge High School in 2011. He is employed with Bierlein Companies in Midland, Mich.

He is the son of Dennis and Christy Beebe of Sandford, Mich. A wedding date is set for Aug. 25, in Charlevoix, Mich.

Dinner Diva

Leanne Ely



Leanne Ely

and chopped 2 (14.5-oz.) cans diced tomatoes, undrained

4 quarts bone broth or low sodium organic chicken broth

Instructions: In a large soup pot, heat the olive oil over medium-high heat; add the onion and cook until nearly translucent. Add the garlic and saute for a couple of minutes, but don't let it brown.

Add remaining veggies; saute for just a minute or two (you're not cooking them, just getting the wonderful flavor this quick step will infuse in your soup).

Add the thyme, salt and pepper while sauteing.

Now place the veggies in a large slow cooker, add diced tomatoes and broth. Cover and cook on low for 7 to 9 hours or on high for 4 to 6 hours (all slow cookers differ, depending on size, age, brand, etc., your mileage may vary).

If your slow cooker isn't large enough, simmer the mixture in the soup pot on the stovetop for at least 1 hour.

Just before serving, gently mash some of the sweet potato chunks against the side of the slow cooker or soup pot to thicken the soup; give it a stir and serve.

Quick Fixes for Soup Variations (Now remember: Don't do this to the whole pot of soup just the amount you pull out to fix yourself for lunch, etc.):

Quick Fix No. 1:

Tex-Mex Veggie Soup: Add some salsa for a little heat (and a

dash of cayenne if you like), a little ground cumin and chopped cilantro. Top with some diced avocado and more chopped cilantro.

Quick Fix No. 2: Tuscan Veggie soup - Add some fresh chopped basil leaves, chopped tomato and gluten-free and nitrate free sausage.

Quick Fix No. 3: Autumn Veggie Soup? Add

some diced acorn or butternut squash, a sprinkling of ground nutmeg and some chopped parsley. I also add an ample sprinkling of curry powder.

Enjoy! For more great tips and recipes like these, go to www.savingdinner.com

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

Cedar Street Cinemas Movie Guide. 3 Billboards (Run Time: 1hr 55mins, Shown 7:00 pm nightly, RATED: R). The Commuter (Run Time: 1hr 46mins, Shown 7:15 pm nightly, RATED: PG-13). Sunday Matinee 1:00 p.m.

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2) Break down large goals into smaller ones using a 90 day plan. For instance, if you have a big goal to lose 100 pounds, commit to 25 pounds every 90 days. That makes the big goal less daunting and smaller one much more doable.

3) Create goals that are smart - specific, measurable, attainable, realistic and time-based.

4) Wrap your goals into daily, positive intentions and watch how much things change! Speaking of change, one of my best weight loss and health secrets is soup and not just any soup, Mighty Mitochondria Soup!

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## mBank announces year-end promotions

MANISTIQUE — mBank is pleased to announce the recent promotions of Sherry Arnold to Senior Vice President Bank Administration / Training & Development Manager and Julie Bosanic to Vice President, Director of Mortgage Administration.



Sherry Arnold

Sherry Arnold, Senior Vice President Bank Administration / Training & Development Manager. Sherry came to mBank in 2016, after having spent over 20 years in various Senior Leadership, Quality Improvement and Risk Management roles in healthcare services at a local hospital. Sherry currently oversees all staff professional development initiatives within the company's various business lines and operating departments along with performance reviews and adherence to job standards and objectives both culturally and technically. She provides Senior level leadership in the above areas coupled with directing the bank's

marketing and outside public relations objectives within the various communities we serve. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Lake Superior State University and an Associate degree in Healthcare Risk Management and Quality Review from Michigan Hospital Association and Lansing Community College.

Sherry can be reached at the mBank Manistique branch, located at 130 S. Cedar St., 906-341-7166 or by email at sarbold@bankm.com.

Julie Bosanic, Vice President, Director of Mortgage Administration. Julie came to mBank in 2001 as a Mortgage Originator and advanced through several retail banking roles including Mortgage Processor, Branch Manager, Mortgage/Consumer Loan Underwriter, and Underwriting Supervisor. Before joining mBank, she was the Executive Direc-

tor of the Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce. In her new role as the Director of Mortgage Administration, Julie now provides leadership within all areas of the bank's mortgage lending platform including underwriting, processing, and collections ensuring policies and procedures are implemented and adhered to, to ensure prompt turnaround times, high loan quality, strong compliance standards and excellent customer service. She is a graduate of Bay de Noc Community College with a certificate in the Contracting with Business and Industry program.

Julie can be reached at the mBank Manistique branch, located at 130 S. Cedar St., 906-341-7129 or by email at jbosanic@bankm.com.

Kelly W. George, President and CEO of mBank commenting on the recent promotions said, "I am pleased to announce these very

well-deserved internal management promotions to both Sherry and Julie. They both display high managerial skill sets and strong technical competencies in the important leadership roles they undertake within their various areas. Being able to develop locally and promote from

within our own ranks to these critical roles for a public company of our size is a testament to the fine professional talent the Upper Peninsula produces throughout its various schools and universities."

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## MAS News

Maryann Boddy

identified as having an early literacy delay or reading deficiency, the school will provide written notice to the parents (or legal guardian) and provide tools to assist the parents to engage in intervention and to address or correct any barrier at home.

This communication will be sent home to parents once all testing is completed.

4. Require a school principal to provide professional development based on the reading development needs data for incoming students, for each teacher in grades K-3, differentiated and intensify professional development for teachers based on data gathered by monitoring teacher progress in improving student proficiency rate, establish a collaborative system within the school to improve reading proficiency rates in grades K-3, ensure that time is provided for teachers to meet for professional development and utilize early literacy coaches provided by the intermediate school district.

Part one of two on Michigan's third grade reading law. MLive recently printed an article titled, "Could you pass third grade reading? Try some M-STEP Questions". The article can be viewed in its entirety, along with six sample questions from the third grade M-STEP, by visiting the following link: [www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/index.ssf/2018/01/could\\_you\\_pass\\_3rd\\_grade\\_reading.html](http://www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/index.ssf/2018/01/could_you_pass_3rd_grade_reading.html).

MCL 380.1280f, commonly known as the "third grade reading law", requires that schools do more to ensure students achieve a score of at least "proficient" in English language arts on the grade three state assessment (M-STEP) beginning in the 2019-2020 school year.

Those requirements include:

1. Select one valid and reliable screening, formative and diagnostic Reading Assessment System from those approved by the Department of Education.

Manistique Area Schools currently uses an assessment system called AIMSWEB. This assessment system is used in grades kindergarten to eighth to screen and diagnose reading difficulties, inform instruction and intervention needs, and assess progress. Student progress is assessed three times each school year in September, January, and May.

2. For any student who exhibits a reading deficiency, the district is required to provide an Individual Reading Improvement Plan within 30 days.

January testing is currently underway and our goal at Emerald Elementary is to have an IRIP for every student who is not reading at grade level by Feb. 16. The plan will be created by the student's teacher in consultation with other school personnel.

The IRIP will describe the reading intervention services the student would receive to remedy the reading deficit. Then, the school would provide intensive reading intervention for each student, in accord with the individual reading improvement plan until the student no longer had a reading deficiency.

3. If a student in grades K-3 is

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Just a sample of what you might see on the menu includes baked chicken, meatballs, spaghetti, etc.

If you are able to get out, you are encouraged to come to the congregation, as this gets you out and socializing, not to mention that we love seeing you.

Being that you are interested in this program, I encourage you to call Erica at 341-5085, which is the kitchen phone number (CAA leases our kitchen). She will ask you a few basic questions.

If she thinks you might qualify, she will schedule an appointment with you to fill out an "assessment" form. This is a little lengthy, but after you have been on the program for six months she will do a smaller form, which is only two pages.

They ask for a \$3 suggested donation per meal and you will be allowed to order two meals per day, per person. That means that you

The Creative Writing Group will be meeting at the center Jan. 29 at 4 p.m. If you like to write short stories, drop by and check this group out.

I have recent concerns from those that have received phone calls which are scams. Here are a few tips. Do you recognize the caller or the phone number? If not, don't answer it. If you don't pick it up, you can't be scammed.

Every time you answer an unsolicited call, you verify your working number, which can result in more calls.

The main thing is to never give out personal information, which includes your name, address, birthdays, social security or account numbers. Red flags include:

Entertainment will begin at 4 p.m., with dinner being served at approximately 5 p.m.

Northern Michigan Hearing will be at the center Jan. 25. If you would like to make an appointment, give Craig a call at (800) 637-7816.

I know several that took our last bus trip to Cape Cod, asking if they could be included in the planning of the next trip. There will be a trip planning meeting Feb. 7, at the center, beginning at 2 p.m.

You are encouraged to join us, or feel free to contact us with suggestions or ideas. Our goal will be to please the majority. Drop by as we will have the coffee pot on.

In last week's column I spoke about the congregational meal program that is provided by Community Action Agency through the center's kitchen.

Running out of space in my column, I thought I would touch on the topic of their home-delivered meals.

"How do you qualify for meals? You, or your spouse, must be the age of 60 years of age or older and homebound.

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# New mayor selected

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forward to working with Sheila (Aldrich, city manager) and the other organizations in the community and Mayor Perilloux to continue moving the city forward in a positive direction ... the reason why I chose to serve the city was because I was interested in learning more about city government and as I became more of a citizen of Manistique, I really loved living here, and so I would really just would like to do what's best for Manistique and keep what's going ... moving forward."

In other business, the council also received an update on the city's mid-year 2017 fiscal year budget, which ends June 30.

According to City Manager Sheila Aldrich, the city's property tax - the largest source of revenue in the general fund - continues to shrink each year.

"It's an area that we've seen decrease over the last several years," she explained. "When I first started at the city, the tax revenues, they didn't go up enormously, but they usually up enough to cover expenses."

In the general fund expenses, Aldrich said one item of note is the within the "community promotions" fund.

"That is where we run our promotions," she said. "We partner ... on 18 billboards across lower Michigan and Wisconsin."

Aldrich also noted that the Manistique Public Safety Department's budget is reflective of the services they provide.

"That is a more cost-intensive department because we're out here all the time," she said. "We're about the only service that is out there, sometimes, 24/7 ... it's



Above, from left, new Manistique Mayor Pro-Tem Kimberly Shiner and Mayor Mike Perilloux

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reflected in the cost of the department."

The Manistique Department of Public Works, she

added, is another cost-intensive department.

In the Manistique Recreation Department, Aldrich

said a transfer is made each year from the city's general fund.

"We normally allocate about \$7,500 ... because the recreation fund doesn't enough to keep itself solvent," she explained. "Last year, we actually had to transfer \$12,000 from the city general fund to the rec fund. It's hard to make money on recreation."

At the conclusion of her review of the general fund, Aldrich pointed out that mid-year, the current net revenue of the revenues and expenses is approximately \$300.

"We're talking about a \$2.3 million fund and to have a net difference of under \$300 - I mean, there's just really not a lot of wiggle room in the general fund anymore," she said.

In the review of individual budgets, the new Manistique Lakeshore Campground proved to be a bright spot.

"This is our first year with the campground and we aren't through a full year yet," Aldrich explained. "As of the end of the December, the site reservations were \$207,000."

She added that, currently, there are more than 1,500 reservations made for the upcoming season at the campground.

Council members unanimously approved all mid-year budget amendments.

"In the next couple of months, we'll be coming back to council with the year-end amendments and then, also, the proposed budget for next year," Aldrich said.

# The Grind

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student that comes through this system as a barista and as part of the process," he said. "It is so invaluable and so amazing. It started with some seed money, a dream, and I hope it shows the power of what's possible."

Barr also presented the students with a "first dollar" plaque for The Grind.

Gov. Rick Snyder, who was unable to attend the grand opening ceremony, sent a video introduction to be played during the event.

Rep. Ed McBroom attended the event on behalf of Sen. Tom Casperson.

"Sen. Casperson sends his greetings to you and he is sorry he could not be here," he said. "He and Rep. Sara Cambesny sent out a tribute from the State of Michigan that they signed along with the governor and lieutenant governor."

McBroom also added that former Rep. John Kivela would have been proud of the students and the community effort.

"I know that he was here in the past. John was a tremendous advocate for his district, as I have tried in mine and Tom has been across the U.P.," he said. "I know John would really love to be here and share in this special moment too. So I just wanted to mention him and how proud he and I and Tom always were to work on opportunities for students to have a really diverse education, to be able to focus on what interests them and on their potential career futures."

Ken Ross from the Michigan Credit Union League was also in attendance.

"We just wanted to thank ev-

eryone for coming today and thank the students for all their really hard work - I understand you have been training for months to make today a success," he explained. "The Michigan Credit Union Foundation is pleased to offer grants like this in communities across the state of Michigan to recognize projects and offer opportunities that capture the credit union spirit. That spirit in essence is people helping people."

We are a people-based democratic oriented movement to provide high quality, low cost financial services in communities all across the state of Michigan," he continued. "We're proud to be associated with projects like this. This is a unique project, our biggest grant ever - \$20,000. We've never given that size of a grant. We really wanted to do that because this was such a unique idea. It wasn't a one-time event. It was putting a spark under and opportunity that would create a flame that you see all around you."

Maryann Boddy, superintendent of Manistique Area Schools and a member of Upper Community Youth Board of Directors also made remarks during the ceremony.

"Much like Alan, back in 2015 I took a phone call from Jennifer and little did we know at the time what this whole thing would turn out to be," she said. "We are just so thrilled at the opportunities that it provided for our students at Manistique Area Schools. For the kids in our shop and CTE classes who came in here and did a lot of the work themselves. The kids

in the CAD class who did all the drawings and helped along that way. The math classes who did some of the budgeting, the business plans, it was just an incredible real experience and opportunity for them. We thank you, it's been a pleasure working with you and we look forward to a long future."

Ron Provo, Limestone Federal Board chairman said he also fielded Watson's initial request.

"Jennifer, a month after you called Maryann, you came to the board. You had a dream. We talked. When you look to do something like this with donations and in-kind services it doesn't go as quick as it really should," he said. "Everyone hung in there and after 28 months this is what we have.

We're not done yet. We have some cosmetic work to do yet outside, and the roof. I'm sure as we get new students there will be new ideas - we'll work with them."

Stephanie LaFollette, one of the original students involved with The Grind's creation said she has believed in the project since it was first pitched to her and a group of students.

"I am just speechless right now just seeing all of this," she said. "I never thought we would have this out of just one small idea. And now we have a coffee shop. I'm just very proud and excited to see where the students bring it in future years."

Alycia Kaiser, Student Education coordinator at Limestone Federal Credit Union manages the day-to-

day operations with students. Currently, the coffee shop is open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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

Police Log

Manistique Public Safety

Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2018
8:25 a.m., emergency drill, Main Street.

9:18 a.m., incorrigible youth, Oak Street.

10:10 a.m., lock out, Deer Street.

Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2018
6:10 a.m., snow ordinance violation, S. Cedar Street.

10:40 a.m., lock out, E. Lakeshore Drive.

1:03 p.m., two car PDA, N. Cedar Street.

4:00 p.m., department assist, Riverdale Ave.

8:50 p.m., incorrigible youth, Lake Street.

1:40 a.m., possible OWI, Alger Avenue.

2:15 a.m., snow ordinance violation, Schoolcraft Avenue.

3:00 a.m., DPW request icy road conditions.

Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018
9:30 a.m., hazardous conditions, Manistique River at N. Cedar Street.

2:10 p.m., counterfeit money, E. Lakeshore Drive.

2:19 p.m., warrant arrest, within the city.

7:30 p.m., DPW request, snow covered and icy roads.

2:37 a.m., citizen assist, Thompson Township.

4:30 a.m., DPW request, snow covered and icy roads.

4:35 a.m., snow ordinance violations, Walnut and S. Cedar streets.

Friday, Jan. 12, 2018
4:51 p.m., property inspection, New Elm Street.

5:30 p.m., drive off, E. Lakeshore Drive.

8:41 p.m., reckless driver, Chippewa Avenue.

8:50 p.m., suspicious circumstances, Arbutus Avenue.

Saturday, Jan. 13, 2017
9:50 a.m., phone scam, within the city.

10:08 a.m., suspicious situation, S. Fourth Street.

3:05 p.m., child custody issue, N. Maple Street.

3:39 p.m., malicious destruction of property, E. Lakeshore Drive.

7:08 p.m., malicious destruction of property, Oak Street.

7:40 p.m., road hazard, E.S. 2.

10:50 p.m., OWI, within the city.

11:50 p.m., probation violation, Arbutus Ave.

Sunday, Jan. 14, 2018
9:12 p.m., lock out, Arbutus Ave.

11:58 a.m., citizen assist, Main Street.

11:00 p.m., DPW call out, snow covered roads.

Monday, Jan. 15, 2018
9:13 a.m., snow removal violations, Oak Street.

1:30 p.m., snow removal violation/trespassing, Manistique Township.

4:55 p.m., retail fraud, River Street.

9:30 p.m., harassment, Elk Street.

11:05 p.m., lock out, Garden Avenue.

Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018
8:20 a.m., burglar alarm, Deer Street.

9:30 a.m., snow plowing complaint, Deer Street.

9:15 a.m., fraud, Park Avenue.

11:10 a.m., suspicious vehicle, Michigan Avenue.

11:41 a.m., snow plowing complaint, N. Second Street.

2:10 p.m., lock out, Delta Avenue.

6:15 p.m., lock out, Deer Street.

6:18 p.m., PDA, Deer Street.

7:50 p.m., harassment, N. Cedar Street.

Wednesday, Jan. 17, 2018
8:08 a.m., lock out, Delta Avenue.

8:35 a.m., emergency lock down drill, Oak Street.

9:40 a.m., department assist, New Elm Street.

9:30 p.m., suspicious vehicle, N. Mackinac Avenue.

Thursday, Jan. 18, 2018
9:50 a.m., incorrigible juvenile, Oak Street.

10:37 a.m., child custody issue, N. Maple Street.

2:20 p.m., trespassing, N. Houghton Avenue.

2:40 p.m., hazardous situation, E. Lakeshore Drive.

5:45 p.m., suspicious situation, within the city.

7:30 p.m., domestic, N. Houghton Avenue.

Friday, Jan. 19, 2018
12:52 p.m., BOL/school bus passing, E. U.S. 2.

1:31 p.m., breaking and entering, Deer Street.

3:55 p.m., well being check, N. Maple Street.

12:20 a.m., suicidal subject, N. Maple Street.

Saturday, Jan. 20, 2018
7:30 a.m., suspicious vehicle, E. Elk Street.

12:45 p.m., hit and run PDA, E. Lakeshore Drive.

9:10 p.m., threats, N. Houghton Avenue.

12:40 a.m., suicidal subject, N. Fifth Street.

Sunday, Jan. 21, 2018
12:13 p.m., citizen assist, Thompson Township.

2:30 p.m., department assist, W. Lakeshore Drive.

9:00 p.m., well being check, Saginaw Street.

MDS CAA seeking new board member from Schoolcraft County

MANISTIQUE — The Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft Community Action Agency Governing Board recently announced it is seeking a new board member from Schoolcraft County.

The 18-member Governing Board is made up of residents from Menominee, Delta and Schoolcraft counties. The agency's bylaws require a third of the board is represented by low-income consumers served by the agency, a third by public officials or their representatives, and a third by the private sector.

"We are fortunate to have a governing board that is made up of caring and able members," said CAA Executive Director Julie Moberg. "Finding a new board member from Schoolcraft County will continue our strong and important service throughout our three-county service area."

The board meets eight times a year, with all but one meeting taking place in Escanaba. "Board members bring their own expertise to our board, and help act as our eyes and ears in the communities we serve," Moberg said.

County GIS

Reiter made an initial motion to pursue GIS for the purpose of 911 usage and funded with the 911 fund. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairperson Larry Mersnick pointed out that GIS would benefit emergency responders.

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Commissioners voted unanimously to accept the CUPPAD bid for GIS for \$93,000.

Reiter went on to present two bids that had been submitted for completion of GIS for Schoolcraft County. The first bid, submitted by Coleman Engineering, came in at \$80,000. The second bid, for \$93,000, was submitted by the Central Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Regional Commission.

While Coleman's bid came in at \$13,000 less, Reiter claimed that it had a "lot of open ends."

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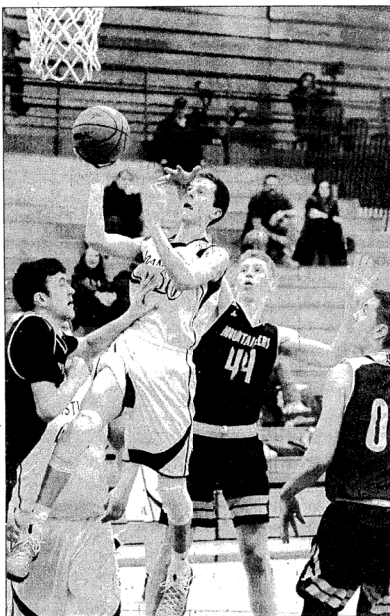
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**Emeralds basketball**

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Manistique hosted Iron Mountain Jan. 18. The Mountaineers defeated the Emeralds 73-29. Sophomore Mark Block attempts two on the night. Additional photos can be viewed at [www.mstjopioneertribune.smugmug.com](http://www.mstjopioneertribune.smugmug.com).

point, scoring 22 points for Manistique, including seven in the first quarter to help push the Emeralds out front 15-8. Back on the floor, Hoholik got a pair of quick buckets.

Lauzon added four points in the period. The pace slowed in the second with both teams scoring seven points each.

It took three from the free throw line from Manistique to match the Indians in the period.

In a game where the whistle blew often, the Emeralds went on to hit 20-of-33 attempts from the line, while a poor performance by Newberry cost them a chance for a win,

going just seven-of-26 from the charity stripe.

Up 38-23 after three quarters of play, the Emerald held off a late charge by the Indians, scoring 11 of their 20 fourth quarter points from the free-throw line.

Anderson, who hit three-of-three from the line going into the quarter, went seven-of-eight in the fourth.

Manistique will host the Neenah-Mishawic (4-7) Friday.

Lauzon scored 13 points and posted 10 boards and three assists to lead Manistique in rebounds.

Manistique: 16, 7, 15, 20, 58.

Newberry: 8, 7, 8, 20, 43.



Joe LeBlanc photo

Tucked up in the corner at home games you will find the Manistique High School Pep Band under the direction of band director Jeremy Connin.

**Emerald swim**

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second in the 50 freestyle with a 46.28 and also dropping five seconds in the 100 freestyle with a time of 1:52.25.

The biggest improvement for Mathews Matos, who dropped 20 seconds in the 200 freestyle.

He placed second with a time of 2:47.15.

"The swimmers did a great job incorporating advice from practice," stated Coach Gwen Hoonke. "They had a number of great swims. Coach Burns and I were

impressed with the performances, especially after having some difficulties holding practices due to the snow days."

The Emeralds will host Westwood and Kingsford tonight. The meet is set to begin at 5 p.m.

First place finishes: Joe Barr, 100 butterfly, 1:08.21; Darren Hicks, 100 breaststroke, 1:24.75; Abby Burnham, diving, 159.55.

Second place finishes: 200 medley relay, McCaffrey, Hicks, Barr and Joey VanDyck, 2:31.71; Mathews Alecno Matos, 200 free-

style, 2:47.15; Darren Hicks, 200 individual medley, 2:58.22; Joey VanDyck, diving, 127.45; McCaffrey, 500 freestyle, 9:17.60; 200 free relay, Matos, VanDyck, Haggerty, McCaffrey, 2:29.15; Barr, 100 backstroke, 1:08.19; Erica LaBar, 200 freestyle, 2:48; Abby Burnham, 50 freestyle, 31.94; LaBar, 500 freestyle, 7:52.13; 400 freestyle relay, Elle Pugh, Meg Espinoza, Burnham, LaBar, 5:29.84.

Third place finishes: Anna VanDyck, 200 individual med-

ley, 3:36.59; Pugh, 100 butterfly, 1:49.12; 200 free relay, Burnham, Shelby Misiakiewicz, Espinoza, LaBar, 2:23.18; Maddie Schwartz, 100 breaststroke, 1:36.82.

Fourth place finishes: McCaffrey, 200 freestyle, 3:26.94; Bradley Haggerty, 100 freestyle, 1:52.25; Espinoza, 200 freestyle, 3:18.25; Misiakiewicz, 200 individual medley, 3:40.78; Melanie Jones, 100 butterfly, 1:49.25; Pugh, 500 freestyle, 8:24.32; VanDyck, 100 backstroke, 1:39.00.

Well, you have to admit that with our Yooper weather you can never count on what is going to happen from one day to the next. You have a couple days that if it was not the middle of January you would figure maybe spring has sprung. But then the next day arrives and there is no doubt in your mind that winter is still going strong. So the truth be told, seeing the time of year it is, enjoy every nice sunny day we have and realize that the sun is getting higher in the sky with each passing day and in a week we will have January 2018 behind.

With the weather we have been having some ice fishermen are finding a lot of slush on the ice out on some of the lakes. When this happens it is real easy to get your snowmobile or other means of transportation stuck. Speaking from experience, when this happens it is always fun trying to get your snowmachine un-stuck. So when running on the ice on the lake you always have to be aware of slush on top of the ice and pressure cracks where the ice is built up and you can be air-born before you realize the ice is built up around a pressure crack.

I hear rumors that those few sportsmen that are still out there doing a little trapping are hoping if what they hear is true they may get a little more for their hides this year. In the last number of years if someone is still trapping there are two reasons for it. One is that they just enjoy getting out there in the woods and doing some trapping because the family has always been trappers. The other main reason is those that trap to keep nuisance animals under control. Either way it is nice if the trappers can at least cover their expenses and maybe make a little money on top of it.

Remember it is that time of year when there are a few fishing con-

tests taking place for Yoopers to enjoy and hopefully the weather will cooperate. It is also that time of year for outdoor shows and a good number of "Gun and Knife" shows taking place across the U.P. Both of these activities give those living up here, in God's Country something to do during the winter so they will not come down with Cabin fever. Besides when the "Gun and Knife" shows are going on usually Wifec is about ready to get hubby out of the house for a while before she goes stir crazy with him hanging around the house under her feet.

"This falls under, "There is always a few!"

An Allegan County man has pleaded guilty to deer poaching as the result of an investigation by Michigan Department of Natural Resources conservation officers.

Colton Anderson, 22, of Plainwell was sentenced Jan. 18 in Allegan County's 57th District Court to 60 days in jail, \$30,250 in reimbursement to the state and the loss

of hunting privileges for seven years.

The investigation began when Conservation Officer Richard Cardenas received information about an illegally killed deer in Barry County. Officer Cardenas went to Anderson's residence and observed multiple sets of deer antlers hanging in the garage. The antlers had 2015 deer licenses attached to them.

After obtaining a search warrant, Cardenas and fellow Conservation Officer Justin Ulberg searched Anderson's garage and seized an 11-point, 5-point, 7-point and five 8-point sets of antlers. The licenses attached to the antlers belonged to people who were not living at the residence.

Cardenas contacted the individuals who purchased the 2015 licenses, and all claimed they were unaware that Anderson was ille-

gally using their licenses.

In addition to illegally hunting with someone else's deer licenses, Anderson's hunting privileges already had been revoked after a 2014 conviction of illegally killing a deer with a rifle in Allegan County.

Cardenas requested the Allegan County Prosecutor's Office charge Anderson for hunting while his privileges were revoked, using another person's kill tags, and five

counts for each violation of taking more than the legal limit of antlered deer. The prosecutor's office authorized the charges and a warrant was issued for Anderson's arrest.

"The success of this case is due to the dedication and in-depth investigative work of Conservation Officer Cardenas," said Sgt. Christopher Holmes, acting area law supervisor for the DNR. "Michigan conservation officers are well-

versed in law enforcement investigative skills and techniques. The work done by officers Cardenas and Ulberg is an outstanding example of these capabilities. We also appreciate the public's assistance with this case. The willingness of citizens to get involved and alert the DNR when they have information is critical. Our partnership with the public helps us protect our shared resources and hold violators accountable."

**Fish Report**

Ret. Sgt. John Walker

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### Quick facts

- The Northern Poultry, Pigeon, and Rabbit Club has released its 2018 feather and fur swap season schedule.
- The swaps provide opportunities for residents and 4-H members to purchase or sell animals or birds.

## Feather, fur swap schedule released

MARINETTE — The Northern Poultry, Pigeon, and Rabbit Club announces its spring 2018 feather and fur swap season. The spring swap schedule will begin March 31 at Marinette Farm and Garden in Marinette.

The next swap will be held April 21, at Stephenson Marketing Coop in Stephenson. The third swap will take place May 12, at Tractor Supply Company in Marinette. The last swap of the spring season will be held on June 2, at Peshigo Feed Mill in Peshigo, Wis.

All the swaps will run from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. local time, rain or shine. The public is invited and welcome. There is no admission fee for the buyers or sellers.

Swap participants are reminded that they are responsible for complying with all state and local rules and regulations regarding transportation and sale of animals. These swaps are the perfect opportunity for 4-H members and others looking for some good quality animals or birds. Many of the sellers offer hard to find pure breeds of rabbits, poultry, and pigeons.

People are invited to buy, sell, or trade all types of birds, rabbits, small animals, pets, livestock, and equipment. Participants must provide their own cages.

The NPPRC has members from all over the central U.P. and northeastern Wisconsin, interested in poultry, pigeons, and/or rabbits as a hobby. They have monthly meetings and several social events throughout the year.

If interested in joining or for more information, call (715) 596-0234, (715) 735-7120, (906) 753-4153.

## DNR announces \$100K in UP Deer Habitat Improvement grants

MARQUETTE — The Michigan Department of Natural Resources has announced a March 1 deadline to apply for a total of \$100,000 in deer habitat improvement grant funding in the Upper Peninsula.

The Deer Habitat Improvement Partnership Initiative is a competitive grant program designed to enhance deer habitat on non-state lands in the Upper Peninsula.

"To date, over \$530,000 in grant funds have been spent across the U.P. on 70 projects," said Bill Scullion, DNR field operations manager and administrator for the grant initiative. "These projects have involved hundreds of private landowners, positively impacting thousands of acres of habitat."

Groups eligible for these grants include organizations with a formal mission to promote wildlife conservation and/or hunting, such as sportsmen's clubs, conservation districts, land conservancies, industrial landowners with more than 10,000 acres, or private land affiliations where two or more unrelated persons jointly own 400 or more acres.

"There are three primary goals applicants should strive to meet," Scullion said. "The projects should produce tangible deer habitat improvements, build long-term partnerships between the DNR and outside organizations and showcase the benefits to the public."

Scullion said the total amount of grant funding available is \$100,000. The maximum amount of individual grants is \$15,000 and the minimum is \$2,000.

Now in its tenth year, the initiative is supported by the state's Deer Range Improvement Program, which is funded by a portion of deer hunting license revenue.

Previous projects funded under the initiative include planting of red oak, conifers and



A young deer sniffs at a dead leaf on a winter day in Marquette County. Photo courtesy DNR

wildlife orchards; rehabilitation of historic wildlife openings; native prairie restoration, and scarification for conifer regeneration. Some past grant recipients have also facilitated youth hunting opportunities on improved private lands.

"These projects are prime examples of how partnership organizations can work with the DNR to enhance deer habitat," Scullion said.

In the U.P., all of the deer population is situated on about 30 percent of the region's landscape during the winter months.

In the northern U.P., 69 percent of the deer population depends on 17 percent of the lands

defined as deer wintering complexes. In the southern U.P., 31 percent of the deer use 13 percent of the landscape.

Roughly 40 percent of the deer wintering habitat in the U.P. is owned or managed by entities other than the DNR.

Project applications must be postmarked by March 1, and successful applicants will be notified by March 19. The complete grant application package is available on the DNR website at [www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants).

For more information or questions regarding eligibility, please contact Bill Scullion at (906) 563-9247 or [scullionh@michigan.gov](mailto:scullionh@michigan.gov).

### Outdoors Brief

#### DNR re-opens snowmobile trail bridge in Marquette

MARQUETTE — The Michigan Department of Natural Resources re-opened a bridge along Trail No. 8 in Marquette County Jan. 23, clearing travel along a section of the main east-west snowmobile connector route in the Upper Peninsula.

The DNR closed the bridge in mid-December after discovering a major support beam had been cracked on the underside of a wooden trail bridge that needed to be replaced.

The bridge is located northwest of Champion, along the former Clowry railroad grade, not far from Van Ripper State Park.

DNR staffers and the Moose Country Snowmobile Club worked to coordinate the bridge repairs.

Check for the latest information on the status of DNR closures at [www.michigan.gov/dnrclosures](http://www.michigan.gov/dnrclosures).

### District Court

#### 93rd District Court

Michael Thomas Thompson, 32, County Road 545, Skandia, charged with violation of special truck permit (12/17). Assessed \$150.

Charles Henry Lockhart, 57, Merwin Creek Road, Manistique, charged with failure to wear seatbelt (11/17). Assessed \$65.

Tyler Robert Glasscock, 27, Arbutus Avenue, Manistique, charged with speeding 1-5 over (1/18). Assessed \$115.

Alex Richard Misniakiewicz, 16, Main Street, Manistique, charged with driving 70 miles per hour in a 65 mph zone (1/18). Assessed \$115.

Amy Mae Kratz, 40, Gulliver Lake Road, Gulliver, charged with driving 70 miles per hour in a 65 mph zone (1/18). Assessed \$115.

Nicholas Riley Burns, 24, Hillcrest Drive, Manistique, pled guilty in 93rd District Court to failure to report an accident and disorderly person (11/17). Assessed \$550 state costs, \$75 crime victim rights assessment, \$326 statute costs, \$234 statute fine, \$210 probation oversight fee, \$40 fine costs, \$935 total. Sentenced to serve three days in the Schoolcraft County Jail with credit for three days. Placed on six months probation. Optional jail 35 days.

Colten Joseph Shampine, 19, M-94, Manistique, pled guilty in 93rd District Court to operated while impaired (10/17). Assessed \$50 state costs, \$75 crime victim rights assessment, \$440 statute fine, \$760 statute costs, \$131 restitution, \$1,456 total. Sentenced to serve three days in the Schoolcraft County Jail with credit for three days. Optional jail 30 days.

## US Forest sets special use deadlines

GLADSTONE — Considering holding an event on the Hiawatha this summer? Hiawatha National Forest Supervisor Cid Morgan requests that individuals and organizations interested in proposing "Special Uses" on National Forest lands take notice of the following updates to the Hiawatha National Forest's Special Uses proposal process deadlines. Special Use Permits are required for commercial and non-commercial use of National Forest lands.

Non-Commercial Group Use is a use or activity that involves a group of 75 or more people, either as participants or spectators, where an entry or participation fee is not charged, and the primary purpose is not the sale of a goods or service. Examples include weddings, family reunions, church services, regattas, camping trips, hikes, music festivals, etc.

A permit is required for Commercial Uses

regardless of the number of people involved in the activity. Such uses include several types including Recreation Events (e.g. animal, bicycle, motocross, or triathlon type races, jeep rallies, dog trials, fishing contests, rendezvous, rodeos, adventure games, youth treks, wagon trains, concerts, and other similar events); Commercial Photography/Filming (e.g. commercial filming or sound recording, etc.); Outfitting and Guiding (e.g. accommodating guests, transporting persons, providing equipment, supplies and services); and Road Use Permits (for use of roads not open to the general public for motorized use, or use of roads/driveways across NFS land to access private property). In order to better manage proposals, the following schedule has been implemented:

Summer/Fall Uses Occurring between June 1 and October 31, 2018:

Submit complete application by: Feb. 15,

Submit complete proposal package to the local Forest Service district ranger. Required information includes proposed use, itinerary, specific information on location including trails, name of group, reason why the use cannot be accommodated on Non-Federal lands, and all other basic information.

Winter/Spring Uses Occurring between Nov. 1, 2018 through May 31, 2019:

Submit complete application by: July 15  
Submit complete proposal package to the Forest Service district ranger. Required information includes proposed use, itinerary, specific information on location including trails, name of group, reason why the use cannot be accommodated on Non-Federal lands, and all other basic information.

For more information, visit [www.fs.usda.gov/main/hiawatha/passages-permits](http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/hiawatha/passages-permits) or contact the District Ranger at Munising/Rapid River/Manistique (906) 387-2512.

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