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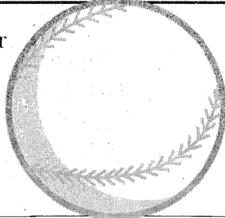
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'Spring' weather delays start of softball

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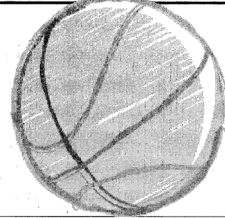
Adult prom benefits local shelter

See events



Local cops take on MHS 'punks'

See events



City forced expedite work

Cherry Street infrastructure update will be done in fall

MANISTIQUE — A substantial infrastructure project will get an expected head start this year in the city of Manistique. City officials recently announced a deteriorating pipe on one section of Cherry Street will need to be replaced this fall, with the remainder of the expected \$6 million project commencing on schedule next year.

The city has been planning its 2018-20 Combined Sewer Overflow Project to eliminate the city's combined sewer system, which allows a high snowmelt or significant rainfall to cause diluted sewage overflow on the way to the wastewater treatment plant. Currently, the CSO is approximately 65 percent complete, due to past infrastructure projects.

The upcoming project, in which the city is pursuing USDA — Rural Development funding up to \$6 million, will likely bring the city to 75 percent completion. The areas that may be included are located on the east side of town: Oak Street; Range Street; Park Avenue; Washington Avenue; Goro Avenue; Terrace Avenue; Cherry Street; and Steuben Street.

A substantially deteriorating sewer pipe on Cherry Street, however, has changed the timeline of the project, Corey Barr, water/wastewater superintendent said Tuesday.

"(Cherry Street) was always part of the original infrastructure project, it's just that it's in such poor physical condition right now," he explained, adding that another freeze/thaw cycle in the 2018-19 winter could cause, in the least, a partial collapse. "If it was to partially collapse somewhere in the middle, we would end up chasing it

Cherry Street

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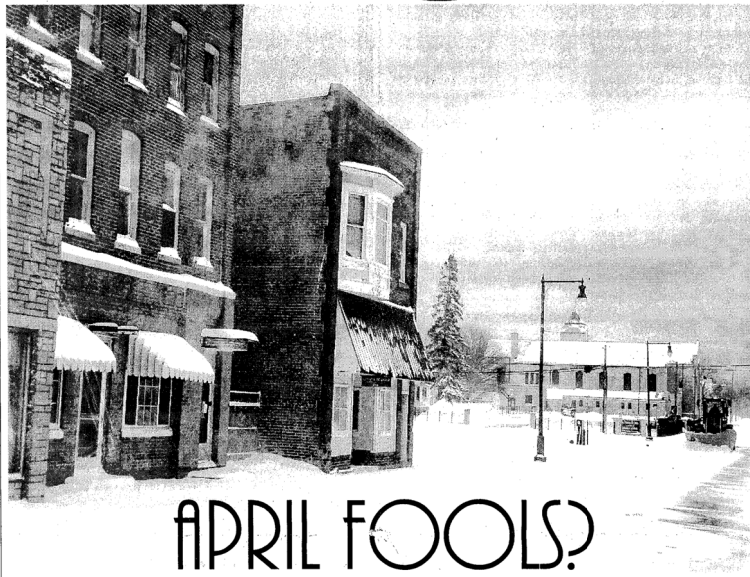
Public invited to 'Cookies, Car Seats, and Cops' event

MANISTIQUE — The Michigan State Police — Manistique Detachment will host "Cookies, Car Seats, and Cops" April 7. The event will take place from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the detachment, 401 E. Lakeshore Dr.

The public is invited to attend for an opportunity to meet the MSP — Manistique Detachment troopers and local law enforcement, as well as enjoy coffee and visit with Girl Scouts Troop 322, which will be on hand selling Girl Scout cookies. Attendees may also have their child's car seat inspected by a certified car seat technician.

Additionally, there will be a raffle for a free car seat donated by Shopko Home-town, Manistique.

For further information, contact Tpr. Patrick Janisse at (906) 643-7582



APRIL FOOLS?

Pioneer Tribune photo
Just in time for an appropriate April Fools' Day joke by Mother Nature, a snowstorm swept through the area Friday night into Saturday. According to the National Weather Service office in Marquette, the storm dumped approximately seven to eight inches of snow throughout Schoolcraft County. A second storm system swept through Tuesday evening, and while it didn't accumulate, the slick roads were enough to prompt school officials to cancel school Wednesday. The NWS reports additional snow showers are expected by the end of the week. Above, a snow plow works its way down Oak Street Saturday. At right, a resident of Range Street attempts to clear their driveway.



School safety: Meeting covers current actions, ideas for future

Stakeholders express desire to keep students, staff safe

MANISTIQUE — The Manistique Area Schools District is continuing to explore measures to ensure the safety of its students and staff. The district's safety procedures were discussed recently in a joint meeting with local law enforcement, school administrators, and other stakeholders.

The meeting included principals from Manistique Middle and High School, Emerald Elementary, and St. Francis de Sales School; law enforcement from the Manistique Public Safety Department and Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department; local and state governmental officials or representatives of officials; the Emergency Management coordinator; and judicial representation.

In commencing the meeting, Paul Walker, Manistique City Council member, said the district has attempted to be "proactive, not reactive" in light of rising school violence across the nation. He noted that the meeting was not centered on "gun reform," but "school safety."

"I firmly believe that one route for our schools to take is ... a school safety officer or resource officer for both the high school as well as the elementary school," he said, adding that he has ideas for funding the position, including seeking federal grants or a millage from taxpayers.

Bob Berbohm, emergency management coordinator for Schoolcraft County, pointed out that district has been actively training to handle any threats, to area schools.

"The Upper Peninsula — Delta and Schoolcraft counties, especially — have been doing active shooter (trainings) since 2005," he explained, adding the districts have also been taking part in Safe School Initiatives.

Berbohm explained the state requires three "lockdown drills" per school year. However, he noted that a change in the terms used for these drills should be considered.

"Typically, as soon as you hear the word 'lockdown' now, our blood pressure goes up, and that's just bad," he said. "We need to fix the terminology."

Berbohm commended Manistique Middle and High School for its renovated entrance, which allows a single, secure entry point during school hours.

"They're staying ahead of the game," he said. "Could there be more done? Yes. What I foresee and what we can do is redo the assessment process."

Berbohm also pointed out that there is now updated active shooter training, which addresses the psychological aspects potential school violence.

"The psychological dynamics, if you will, are these kids feel like they're victims," he explained. "And now they're going to become the victimizer."

The goal of the schools, Berbohm said, should be to learn to recognize the warning signs of this behavior pattern. Given the size of the community, he noted that the MAS District staff and administrators may have an advantage in communicating with those who are experiencing the direct or indirect bullying.

"That's the key — communication," he said, adding that programs like "OK2SAY," which

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Drug cases move forward

One of five in recent bust sentenced to jail

MANISTIQUE — One of five residents involved in a recent drug bust has been sentenced to a eight-month jail term. The sentencing hearing was held March 22 in 11th Judicial Circuit Court.

Angie Jean Gwaltney, 26, of 1174 Zhagag, was ordered by Judge William W. Carmody to serve eight months in jail — four months to be served immediately, with the remainder to be held in abeyance pending successful completion of a 24-month probationary term. She had pleaded guilty to one count of controlled substance — delivery/manufacture of methamphetamine.

Gwaltney was given credit for 121 days served and ordered to pay \$798 in court fines and costs.

The four other residents are currently awaiting further court proceedings in 93rd District Court and 11th Judicial Court.

Katy Marie McGinnis, 33, of 100A Main St., was bound over to 11th Judicial Circuit Court on two counts of controlled substance — delivery/manufacture of the substance Suboxone, a felony punishable by up to seven years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$10,000. As part of a plea agreement, count one and a habitual offender — second offense notice will be dismissed.

Drug cases

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Events

April 5 — Pig vs. Punks Basketball Game, Manistique Middle and High School gym, 6:30 p.m.

April 7 — Cookies, Car Seats, and Cops, Michigan State Police — Manistique Detachment, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

April 7 — Adult Prom, a Eva Burrell Animal Shelter Fundraiser, Elks Lodge, 6 p.m.

April 14 — Yooper Hooper, Manistique Middle and High School

April 9, 11 — Open Pool, Manistique Middle and High School, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

April 20, 21, 22 — Manistique Drama Club presents Disney's High School Musical, Jr., Manistique Middle and High School auditorium, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m., Sunday at 3 p.m.



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MSU Extension to offer program for area officials

NEWBERRY — A premiere training program for local officials working in the areas of planning, zoning, community, and economic development will be held in the village of Newberry and city of Norway this spring.

Michigan State University Extension is offering its premiere Citizen Planner Program April 17-May 22. The program runs Tuesday evenings from 6-9 p.m.

Training locations include the Luce County District Court in Newberry and Norway City Hall. Early registration is required.

Of participants in 2016 Citizen Planner programs, 94 percent felt more confident or much more confident to use their knowledge and skills to be a more effective planning official, compared to before the program.

Online registration is available at events.anr.msu.edu/CPWebSpring18 or by calling (269) 657-8213. Payment can be made by credit card, check, or invoiced for payment. The registration deadline is April 10.

The course has recently been completely updated and is being offered at a discounted price of \$250 per participant, which

covers registration, course materials and refreshments. Participants that complete all six sessions will receive a certificate of completion and may continue on to become a Master Citizen Planner.

Scholarships for attending Citizen Planner may be available from a government's liability insurance provider, such as the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority, Michigan Township Participating Plan, and others. The scholarships are offered because this training is viewed as an important strategy to avoid liability risk and associated costs to local taxpayers.

The training includes proper procedure for planning and zoning, and knowledge to avoid compromising people's due process and private property rights, as well as much more.

Instructors for the training program include MSU Extension educators who specialize in land use planning, law and zoning. The course includes multiple instructors so participants receive different perspectives.

The six-class series includes:

1. Understanding the Planning and Zoning Context: Learn the legal sources and limitations of planning and zoning authority, and explore your understanding of ethical decision-making.

2. Planning for the Future of Your Community: Recognize the function and importance of a master plan, know the process for developing one and its relationship to zoning.

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6. Successfully Fulfilling Your Role: Strengthen your ethical decision-making skills, apply standards to your decision-making and know when to ask for help.

Flashback

Meow
it's
time
for
Easter



Pioneer Tribune Archive photo

In April 1983, the Manistique Moose Lodge held its annual Easter Fun, boasting plenty of fun for area children, as well as a special visit from ... a cat, Deb Tufnell.

ATC cables damaged in Straits of Mackinac, response underway

PEWAUKEE, Wis. — American Transmission Co. Tuesday shut down two submarine cables in the Straits of Mackinac that electrically connect the Upper Peninsula to lower Michigan as the result of an undetermined damage.

The cables tripped offline about 30 seconds apart Sunday evening, April 1. A patrol of the overhead elements of the system between Point LeBarbe in St. Ignace and the McGulpin Riser Station in Mackinac City showed no damage. The submarine cables, which contain a mineral-based fluid for insulation, were monitored overnight and subsequently determined to be leaking. Pressure on the system was reduced to minimize the fluid leak as maintenance, environmental and operations personnel worked to locate the compromised section of the cables on April 2. Investigations included aerial patrols over the Straits, cable testing and system reconfiguration options.

Extreme weather conditions, including icing in the channel and on shore, hindered the damage investigation and contributed to ATC's decision to shut down the cables on April 3. As a result, the two cables cannot be repaired and have been rendered permanently inoperable. ATC will be determining the condition of other cables in the Straits.

"It was an extraordinary set of circumstances, but ultimately, the

decision to shut down the cables had to be made," said Mark Davis, ATC chief operating officer. "We will continue to investigate the cause of the incident, determine any necessary remediation efforts and continue communicating with the appropriate regulatory agencies."

ATC owns and operates most of the electric transmission grid in the Upper Peninsula. The system continues to operate normally at this time. ATC is coordinating with the Midcontinent Independent System Operator and Midwest Reliability Organization to determine short-term and long-term solutions.

On Tuesday, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality reported that local, state and federal agencies are actively monitoring and participating in the Unified Command incident response to the dielectric oil release. Dielectric fluid is part of the mineral oil family and functions as an electrical insulation and as a coolant.

The leaking cables are now considered inoperable and decommissioned. The company is currently investigating the cause of the leak. Starting Wednesday, the ATC began pumping air in from the Mackinac City side at low pressure (10 psi) and simultaneously pumping fluid out at the same pressure on the St. Ignace end using a vacuum truck, all through one-inch valves.

The fluid was pumped into a frac tank. The plan was to pump for 12 hours and then assess recovery. Response agencies will collect a sample from within the pipe during the pumping and send it for analysis.

Residents were told they should not notice any adverse effects from the de-energized lines. ATC has taken action to control the leak and there is no immediate public health threat.

This continues to be a multi-agency response effort of local, state, tribal and federal partners in coordination with ATC. The U.S. Coast Guard is the lead responding agency in coordination with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Natural Resources, Michigan State Police Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division and Michigan Public Service Commission. State agencies remain actively involved in response efforts.

A local Joint Information Center (JIC) is also being assembled. ATC (the responsible party) has issued a press release. The ATC media hotline is 877-506-6117.

The Enbridge Line 5 Pipeline is not reported to be affected and is unrelated to this response.

The Archives

This week in the Pioneer Tribune

50 years ago

April 4, 2008

Schoolcraft County will mark 1968 as the Year of the Pipeline. A rail yard filled with cars loaded with huge steel pipe, and big trucks carrying the huge 3 1/2 foot segments through town to a storage area in a field just south of the airport — these became the first visible signs of pipeline activity here this week. Before the year is over the line will have snaked its way across 35 miles of Schoolcraft County as part of a link that will connect the natural gas fields of Manitoba with the consumer-rich areas of Ontario and lower Michigan. Manistique should be a busy community this summer, with pipeline construction officials indicating that a crew of between 300 and 400 workers will be headquartered here.

Manistique's garbage collection fee received a challenge in circuit court here Tuesday, when Edwin Peterson, 640 Manistique Ave., appeared to protest the delinquent tax lien on his business property levied after he refused to pay the fee. Peterson contends that he does not use the garbage collection service at his barber shop at 121 S. Cedar St., and thus should not have to pay the

\$1 monthly charge. The city ordinance involved provides that the charge may be added to the tax roll if not paid, whether or not the service is used. Peterson's refusal to pay for the service in 1965 resulted in the \$12 charge being added to his property taxes. This he has refused to pay, and the city has included it in the list of delinquent tax properties to be offered at the annual tax sale. In asking City Attorney William Hood and Prosecutor George Johnson to file briefs within five days, Circuit Judge George Baldwin said the three issues were whether or not a taxpayer could make a partial payment of his total tax bill; whether or not this was the proper time for Peterson to make his protest against the charge; and the general validity of the charge being made when the service is not used.

Two incumbents and a political newcomer won city council posts in Monday's biennial city election, which also saw voters approve a new charter for the city. Leo DeMar and A. J. Cayia were returned to office as councilmen while William Wedegartner, Jr. will be making his first try for political office, nailed down the third post.

35 years ago

April 7, 1983

The Manistique State Police Post will be closing its doors during the evening and will lose three officers when state-ordered cutbacks take effect May 8. The cuts were announced last week as part of Gov. James Blanchard's executive order to trim Michigan's budget deficit. Fifteen posts throughout the state are affected, including six in the Upper Peninsula. Under the plan, small posts which currently are staffed by a commander and four sergeants, as Manistique is, will lose three sergeants. Lt. Jerry Bolt, commander of the Manistique post, says this will reduce the staff from 13 to 10. The three sergeants now man the desk at the police barracks 24 hours a day. After the May 8 deadline, the post will only have an officer at the dispatch station during regular business hours, probably from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. according to Bolt. The rest of the time, the post will be closed to the public.

The Big Bay de Noc School Board will meet Monday, April 11 to decide how many mills it will go after in school elections this June 13. This follows a decision at the Big Bay board's March 28 meeting to cut five teaching positions, three staff slots and eliminate several extracurricular activities. The cuts and planned millage request were made necessary by a budget shortfall estimated at \$197,150 for next year according to Terry Brooks, superintendent of the Big Bay district.

Area elementary schools competed in a district spelling bee March 30 at the Manistique High School auditorium. Winners included Bob Ryan, 6th grade, St. Francis; Becky Smith, 5th grade, St. Francis and Kim Wood, 4th grade, Hiawatha. Runners-up were Darby Burton, 6th grade, Gernsfask; Gary Demers, 5th grade, Hiawatha and Sarah Fleck, 4th grade, Lincoln. The top two 5th and 6th graders will compete in the regionals on April 21 in Manistique.

20 years ago

April 2, 1998

As negotiations and legal wrangling continue over who should pay closure costs for the City of Manistique landfill, adjacent landowners are trying to work out an agreement that would allow the city to place wells on their property. Allen and Georgia Patz of Thompson, Rudolph and Susan Millward and Everett and Linda Haeser own two 40-acre parcels to the south and southwest of the closed city landfill. The landfill is located west of M-94, about nine miles north of the city limits.

The shipping season at Port Inland Operations began Tuesday, April 7, when the Kaye E. Barker came

to the Gulliver dock for a load of dolomite and high-calcium limestone destined for a customer port in south Chicago. This year's unusually warm weather has facilitated a start-up of the quarrying, crushing and shipping operations at the Port Inland Operation. As the 1998 season begins, negotiations still are underway to transfer ownership of the operation from Specialty Minerals, Michigan, Inc. to Oglebay Norton Co.

Peter V. Thelander of Cooks recently received his badge from Manistique Public Safety Department Director David Peterson. Thelander, son of Peter and Mary Thelander, was sworn in as a new officer Monday, April 5.

10 years ago

April 3, 2008

The fact that Manistique was not hit as hard as other parts of the Upper Peninsula was cold comfort for local residents, who awakened Tuesday to a big April Fool's joke from Mother Nature, as a night of rain and sleet turned into a morning of strong winds and heavy snow. The calendar said it was spring break for area schools, and things had already improved considerably by Wednesday, but the stormy blast was proof that winter wasn't going to go down without a fight.

Given the winter storm that struck most of the Upper Peninsula this week, officials with the Michigan

Department of Natural Resources clearly made a good decision to extend the U.P.'s snowmobiling season. Ever before the latest blast of bad weather, the lingering snowpack left excellent snowmobiling conditions across the region. The DNR announced its decision last Thursday, saying they would extend grants to groom, state-managed snowmobile trails from March 31 to April 6. Michigan's trail system encompasses over 6,500 miles of groomed and maintained trails, in one of the most diverse interconnected systems in the country. The U.P. has over 3,000 miles of trails, all of which are remaining open this week.

Dear Editor,

Went into town late yesterday afternoon. East of Linda's Bread Basket, I have saw two deer, a doe and her fawn, on and off for the last nine months.

Somebody hit and demolished the doe, yesterday, and the fawn was wandering around, I suppose thinking "where is mom, what do I do now?"

"Everybody" is upset when a "driverless" car struck and killed a woman. Not exactly "driverless", there was a live human co-pilot.

Letters to the Editor

Can't say the deer had too much regard for the real live driver that hit and killed her (and, just to set the record straight, yes I years ago, accidentally killed a beautiful 11-point buck with my vehicle, however, he went home, to the freezer, and the head is now hanging over my easy chair. At least he was not wasted to the crows, like the poor doe).

And, the moral of the story: it is spring, although a bit on the chilly side, but the deer are moving. Slow down.

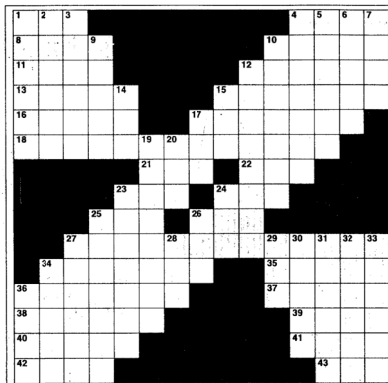
The computer running your vehicle is between your ears. If you are not worried about the deer, at least worry about the hassle of repairing your vehicle.

"Doc" Souter
Cooks

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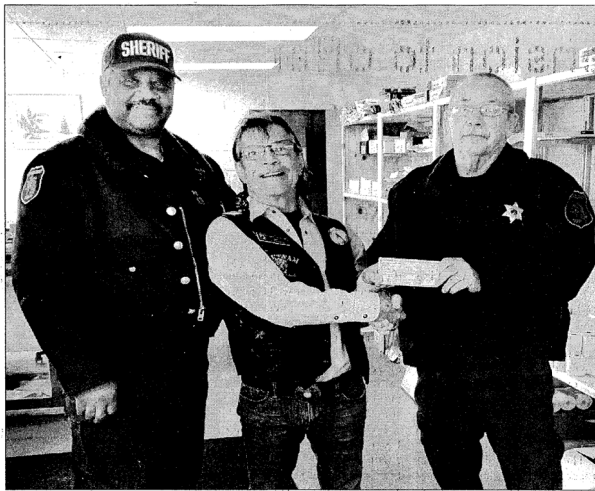
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 1. Upon
 4. Roman Statesman
 8. A protective covering worn over the face
 10. Perfected
 11. British school
 12. Colored with red powder
 13. Tiroli
 15. What bowlers hope to knock down
 16. Finnish lake
 17. Damaged regions of tissue
 18. World-renowned guitarist
 21. Political action committee
 22. Oxygen reduction system
 23. Part of a circle
 24. Italian monk's title
 25. Kidney problem (abbr.)
 26. One point east (clockwise) of due

CLUES DOWN:
 1. Induces vomiting
 2. Gloss or sheen on wood furniture
 3. Meteorological line
 4. Help shoppers save money
 5. Heart condition
 6. What tweens become
 7. ___ and ends

CLUES ACROSS:
 9. Small knob
 10. Island capital
 12. Refinisher
 14. Brazilian city
 15. Pearl Jam's debut of an insect
 17. Resinous substance
 19. Stretched out
 20. Bag-like structure in a plant or animal
 23. Reference works
 24. Hoover's office
 25. Confused
 26. The Science Guy
 27. A young woman
 28. Used to express good wishes
 29. Body part
 30. Draw blood
 31. Curved
 32. ___ Kidman, actress
 33. Profoundly
 34. Foods
 36. Wife (German)



An honored tradition
 Pioneer Tribune photo
 Les Henry, center, recently presented Sheriff Paul Furman, right, with a \$175 donation check for Schoolcraft County Search and Rescue. The donation comes from the proceeds of his deer hide business. This is the 24th year that Les Henry and Danalee Henry have donated to community organizations in remembrance of their son, D.J., who drowned in 1979. At left is Undersheriff Darrell Dixon.

News Briefs

Manistique Amity will hold meeting April 11

MANISTIQUE — The Manistique Amity Group will meet at 9:30 a.m. April 11. The meeting will take place at the Presbyterian Church. Margo Withey will speak about services available through the Good Neighbors organization. To join the Amity Group, call 341-6840 or 341-5081.

Caregivers Support Group plans meeting

MANISTIQUE — The Caregivers Support Group will meet in the conference room of Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital April 11. The meeting begins at 2 p.m. The group is open to anyone involved with the care giving of someone with Alzheimer's disease or other types of dementia. For more information, call 341-1863.

Bay College will host Kenning in concert

ESCANABA — The Bonifas Arts Center and Blues for a Cause have teamed up to host Kraig Kenning in concert April 25. The event will take place in the Bonifas Arts Studio in Escanaba at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased at the door or online at www.bonifasarts.org.

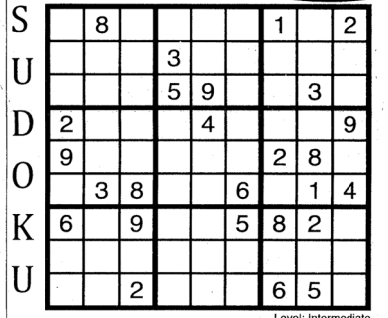
Priest placed on leave after allegations

MARQUETTE — Rev. Frank M. Lenz, a senior (retired) priest of the Diocese of Marquette, has been placed on administrative leave effective immediately. This action was taken as the result of a recently-made credible allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor dating back to the 1970s. Lenz has denied the allegation. In accord with diocesan policy, the allegation has been reported to the Marquette County Prosecutor. The diocese has extended an offer of pastoral care to the person bringing the allegation. Lenz has been removed from all public priestly ministry and prohibited from presenting himself as a priest in accordance with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. It should be noted that this is not a final determination of guilt. Administrative leave is a precautionary measure while a credible allegation is being investigated. Bishop Doerfler said, "On behalf of the Catholic Church, I offer a sincere apology to all victims of clergy abuse. There is no excuse for what happened to you. You are

in my thoughts and prayers, and I am willing to journey with you to find Christ's peace and healing." Anyone who may have suffered sexual misconduct by clergy, a church worker or volunteer is encouraged by Bishop Doerfler to come forward to receive pastoral care leading toward healing. To bring a complaint regarding the sexual abuse of minors to the attention of the diocese, call one of the victims' assistance coordinators: Stephen Lynott at (844) 495-4330 or Diane Tryan at (844) 694-4362. Those who wish to put their complaint in writing may direct their correspondence to: Victim's Assistance Coordinator, c/o Catholic Social Services of the U.P., 1100 Ludington St., Suite 401, Escanaba, MI 49829. The letter should be marked "personal and confidential" and indicate whether a response is desired by phone or by letter. The diocese will also help anyone bring their concerns to church officials outside the diocese if the sexual abuse occurred elsewhere and the person now resides in the Diocese of Marquette. If unsure

about bringing a complaint or for further information, Stephen Lynott or Diane Tryan may be contacted at the numbers above. The diocese encourages those bringing a complaint to report the incident to local civil authorities. The diocese reports all allegations to the appropriate civil authorities. Lenz's assignment history.

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 Clue: Group of players
B. 13 18 20 10 23 7
 Clue: One who participates
C. 3 5 20 3 19
 Clue: Teaches team
D. 3 5 11 13 23 21 23
 Clue: Take part in a contest

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Terry D. Sherman

MANISTIQUE — Terry D. Sherman, 70, of Manistique, Mich., (formerly of Gulliver) died of a rare cancer on Sunday, April 1, 2018, at his home, surrounded by his loving family.

Terry was born on March 9, 1948, in Bryan, Ohio, the son of Walter and Mary Jo (Troxel) Sherman. In 1961, the Sherman family bought land and built Sherman's Manistique Lakes Resort on South Manistique Lake in Curtis, Mich. Terry attended schools in Ohio and in Michigan. He was a graduate of Newberry High School, and attended General Motors Institute in Flint, Mich., having obtained a full scholarship through his academic excellence.

On July 10, 1971, he married the former Nancy Summersett of Newberry, Mich. Terry was employed as a journeyman tool and die maker at the Buick Motor Division of General Motors in Flint.

Terry and Nancy returned to the U.P. in 1975 and moved to Gulliver where they raised their family. Terry held various jobs in the Manistique community over the years. He was a talented technician and worked in the automotive, computer, and communications fields. Terry was affiliated with the Manistique Radio Center electronic store for 36 years. He volunteered his computer skills for the Manistique Merchants Car Show for 15 years. He enjoyed building and maintaining the car show website and registering vehicles at the show.

Terry was also a skilled builder



Terry D. Sherman

and landscaper who built his rural home and multiple buildings on his Gulliver property. He and Nancy worked together developing beautiful gardens and managing their woodlands. Terry's primary hobby was fixing and improving things. If it was good, he could make it better; if it was broken he could always fix it. Terry loved spending time with his family and friends. He enjoyed cooking meals and planning interesting activities for visitors.

Terry is survived by his wife, Nancy; daughter, Diane Sherman of Burlington, VT.; son, Troy Sherman and his wife, Ally of Racine, Wis.; parents, Walter and Gloria Sherman of Curtis; sisters, Shelley (Chris) Walk of Texas, and Tina (David) Mishko of Indiana; brother, Kelly (Fatti) Sherman of Curtis; and several nieces and nephews.

Terry was predeceased by his mother, Mary Jo Sherman in 1955 and brother, Barry William Sherman in 1958.

Visitation will be held from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at the Messier-Broullire Funeral Home in Manistique.

Memorial donations may be directed to Schoolcraft Memorial Hospice or the local Habitat affiliate, Habitat for Humanity Hiawathaland. Messier-Broullire Funeral Home of Manistique is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Donald E. Zehren

FAYETTE — Donald E. Zehren, 92, of Fayette, Mich., passed away on Sunday, April 1, 2018, at the Bishop Noa Apartments in Escanaba, where he has resided for the past five years.

He was born July 4, 1925, in Pound, Wis., the son of Frank and Norma (Dunst) Zehren and lived in Coleman, Wis., before moving to Fayette as a child. He attended school in Fayette and was a graduate of the Garden High School.

During World War II, he proudly served in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific Theater and was discharged as an Electronic Technicians Mate Second Class.

On Oct. 14, 1950, he married the former Jacqueline B. Chayer in Garden. They made their home and raised their family on the Garden Peninsula.

Donald was employed by the U.S. Postal Service for 41 years and served as the Postmaster in Fayette and Garden.

He was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Garden and the American Legion Post No. 545 of Garden. He enjoyed being a journeyman electrician, repairing radios and televisions on the side, and often volunteering his time and skills. He also loved to repair motors of all kinds: dishwashers, clothes dryers,



Donald E. Zehren



washing machines, etc. He and Jackie and the family enjoyed travel throughout the United States, Mexico, and Canada, and Don especially enjoyed anything outdoors.

Donald is survived by his wife, Jacqueline B. Zehren of Escanaba, Mich.; daughters, Marcia (Stan) Hutjens of Green Bay, Wis., and Paula (Ron) Caldwell of Pulaskee, Wis.; grandchildren, Jacob Caldwell and Jessica Caldwell; sister, Denise Peterson of Manistique; along with nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by an infant son, Donald Eugene Zehren; his son, Timothy Zehren; and his brother, Gregory Zehren.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to noon, on Wednesday, April 4, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Garden. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at noon, at the church, with Father Mariusz Sierhat officiating. A luncheon will follow at St. John's Hall. Burial will be in the New Garden Cemetery.

Messier-Broullire Funeral Home of Manistique and Garden is assisting the family. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

Marcella M. Quick

MANISTIQUE — Marcella M. Quick, 86, of Dodge Lake, Manistique, Mich., died on Wednesday, April 4, 2018, at the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility in Manistique.

She was preceded in death by her husband J.P. in 1989.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at the Messier-Broullire Funeral Home in Manistique.

Olga Mildred Lakosky

MANISTIQUE — Longtime Manistique area resident, Millie Lakosky, 92, of Harvey, Mich., died Wednesday, March 28, 2018, at her daughter Barbara's home in Choccolay Township.

She was born July 23, 1925, in Mass City, Mich., one of 16 children to Matt and Alexandra (Onkalo) Niemi and graduated from high school there. She continued her education at Suomi College where she took classes in bookkeeping.

On Aug. 5, 1950, the former Olga Mildred Niemi married John Lloyd Lakosky in Hancock, Mich. They spent a few years in Detroit and moved to Manistique in 1952 and raised their family in Manistique Township. John preceded her in death on Oct. 21, 2003.

Millie was employed as a bookkeeper at Capital Business in Manistique for many years.

She was a member of St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistique, St. Anne's Altar Society, and St. Christopher's Circle. She was also a member of the Cluck-er's Club (quilters group).

Millie enjoyed cooking and baking and being a hostess. She was known for her sense of humor and quick-wit.

In her spare time, she enjoyed oil painting, furniture re-upholstery, and sewing.

Millie is survived by her children, Diane (David) Toms of Gwinn, Mich., Joanne (Jim) McDonald of Gwinn, John (Kellie) Lakosky of Manistique, and Barbara (Chuck) Markiewicz of Marquette, Mich.; son-in-law's, Rog-



Olga Mildred Lakosky

er Shelley of Gwinn and Jimmy Mason of Wasilla, Alaska; grandchildren: Elizabeth (Chris) Martell, Matt Yanish, Lucas Litau, Noal (Julie) McDonald, Kimberly (Brad) Tripp, Sandra (Matthew) Hillier, Crystal (Dennis) Cummings, Jessica (Blake Swanson) Lakosky, Timothy Lakosky, and Anna Markiewicz; several great and great-great-grandchildren; along with nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her daughters, Teresa Mason and Katherine Shelley; her grandchildren, Gregory Scott 'Burge, Gregory Scott Toms, and Cassie Anne Toms; and her siblings: August Niemi, Elizabeth Salo, Esther Niemi, Urho Niemi, Pearl Mattila, Alma Lahti, Mae Lakosky, Vivian Breen, Wilhart Niemi, Martha Niemi, Alfred Niemi, Onnie Niemi, Charlie Niemi, Selma Arvo, and Bill Niemi.

Visitation was held from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday, April 2, at Messier-Broullire Funeral Home in Manistique.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 3 p.m. Monday, April 2, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Manistique with Father Ben Palis officiating. A luncheon followed at the Manistique Senior Center.

Burial will be held at a later date in the Fairview Cemetery at Manistique.

Messier-Broullire Funeral Home of Manistique assisted the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

mBank announces nomination of Martin Thomson for expected appointment to board of directors

MANISTIQUE — The Directors of Mackinac Financial Corporation (Nasdaq: MFNC) (Mackinac), the holding company for mBank, has announced that Martin A. Thomson has been nominated for appointment to its Board of Directors; with such appointment subject to the closing of the merger agreement with First Federal of Northern Michigan Bancorp, Inc. (OTC: FFNM) (FFNM), the holding company for First Federal of Northern Michigan.

As previously announced, the merger agreement provides for a current director of FFNM to be appointed to Mackinac's Board promptly following the closing.

"Our bank is fortunate to have an outstanding Board of Directors. We are pleased to have Marty nominated to join our team," commented Paul Tobias, Mackinac's Chairman of the Board.

"He has vast experience as both an executive and a board member in the financial industry. His remarkable achievements, as well as his insight into the local business landscape, will help him make many valuable contributions to our bank's continued growth and success."

Thomson has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of First Federal of Northern Michigan Bancorp, Inc. since May 2008. He was President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company and Bank from May 2001, and previously held the position of President and Chief Executive Officer of Presque Isle Electric and Gas Co-op., Onaway, Michigan. Thomson has been a director of First Federal of Northern Michigan since 1986 and a director of its holding company First Federal of Northern Michigan Bancorp, Inc. since its formation

in November 2000.

Additionally, Thomson has owned and operated several successful businesses, including Corner Depot, Inc. Thomson Company Inc., and Marty Thomson Builders, worked as a Vocational Building Trades Instructor for the Alpena Public Schools, and has volunteered his time and expertise on many community boards and committees such as, Mid-Michigan Health Regional Hospital Financial Oversight Committee, Alpena Downtown Development Association Board of Directors, Alpena Community College Financial Committee, Wolverine Supply Cooperative Board, and the Habitat for Humanity Board.

"I'm honored to be nominated for appointment to Mackinac and mBank's Board of Directors," said Thomson. "I admire their unwavering focus and commit-

ment to their clients and the communities they serve. I'm looking forward to working with their first-class management team."

The appointment of Thomson to mBank's Board of Directors is expected to take place shortly following the closing of the merger agreement between First Federal of Northern Michigan Bancorp Inc. and Mackinac Financial Corporation. The closing remains subject to approval by FFNM and MFNC shareholders, approval by federal and state regulatory authorities, and the satisfaction of other customary closing conditions provided in the merger agreement.

William W. Carlson

FLORIDA — William W. Carlson, son of former residents Arvid and Doris Carlson, died in Florida on Wednesday, March 7, 2018.

He was a graduate of Manistique High School class of 1955.

Mr. Carlson is survived by his

wife Karen; two daughters; his two sisters, Shirley (Harry Bredlau) and Elaine (John Bredlau); as well as several grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held in Florida on March 24.

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Schoolcraft County DAV makes donation to UP Honor Flight

MANISTIQUE – The Schoolcraft County Disabled American Veterans Chapter 26 recently made a donation to the Upper Michigan Honor Flight. This is not the first donation made by the Chapter, as they have been making donations whenever possible throughout the years. This was, however, the first time they had a representative accept their donation in person.

Scott Knauf, president of the local hub of the National Honor Flight Network was in attendance to explain their mission and to share his own flight experience.

Knauf began his presentation explaining how it took approximately 10 years to design, construct, and complete fundraising for the World War II Memorial. When the memorial was finally opened in 2004, there was a physician's assistant working at a VA in Ohio who would ask his World War II patients if they were going to see it.

They all wanted to see it, but he soon realized, at 85 years old, they were not going to plan a family vacation to go to Washington DC



The Disabled American Veterans Chapter 26 in Manistique recently presented a check to Upper Peninsula Honor Flight President Scott Knauf. Pictured from left to right are: Aaron Fulton, Mike Johnson, Glenn Lavance, James Wayne, Scott Knauf, Dwayne Sunabee, and Jay Krummich.

to see this memorial. The physician's assistant belonged to an afro club and he went to his club and asked them if they would use

their own planes and pay all the expenses to fly WWII veterans out to Washington to see the memorial.

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Limestone Federal holds annual meeting, names person of the year

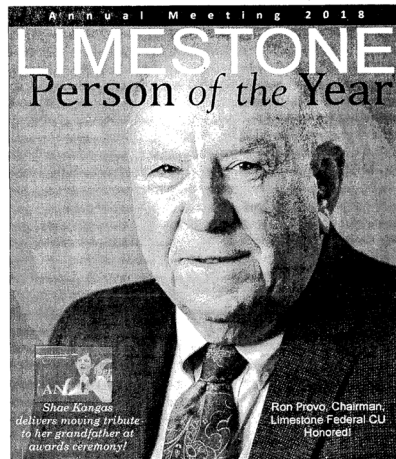
MANISTIQUE – Limestone Federal Credit Union's 63rd Annual Meeting took place March 9 in the Grand Lobby. Members gathered to hear the final report of the past year and to learn more about what is planned for 2018.

Presenters were Ron Provo, Chairman, and Jennifer Watson, CEO.

Provo spoke about goals achieved during 2017, including the installation of a new core system, fixing structural damage to the floors, and installing new flooring. Other updates included painted walls, updated heating and air conditioning units, added security capabilities, and more.

Watson noted the cover of the event's program, featuring Provo – Limestone's longtime chairman – being honored in 2017 as the Upper Peninsula, Michigan Credit Union League's Person of the Year.

"Ron leads by example," said Watson. "He regularly attends all board meetings and takes part in educational sessions. Ron is active in our community, often taking part in numerous events throughout the year and has served on the Cleveland Electric Cooperative Board of Directors for six years. He is known to our staff and management as someone we can count on."



Above, the Limestone Federal Credit Union's Person of the Year was Ron Provo, as announced during the annual meeting.

Provo was recognized at the Annual U.P. Chapter Meeting in April of last year. He was represented by his fellow board of directors, volunteers, and Limestone FCU staff.

Watson touched briefly on the new services in 2018, promising more information in the coming weeks. In closing, she announced Limestone Federal Credit Union had been notified it had been granted the Innovation Award by the Michigan Credit Union League. The Innovation and Re-invention Award recognizes credit unions for innovative thinking, action, and community involvement.

"This award is a testament to the hard work and collaboration between the excellent staff at Limestone Federal Credit Union, Manistique Area Schools, and the faith of Michigan Credit Union Foundation who provided the original seed money to help make our ideas of The Grind Coffee House a reality," said Watson.

Lifestyles Briefs

Area students part of Bay College art exhibit

ESCANABA – Bay College will have an exhibition "Celebrating Student Success" by featuring the work of various student artists. The Opening Reception is April 12 at 2 p.m. in the Besse Gallery.

This will be an opportunity to meet the artists and engage in conversation about their work. Refreshments will be served.

The exhibition represents a culmination of a semester of work for these students. The exhibit will include photography, ceramics, sculpture, installation and fiber arts.

They are learning to create unified two and three-dimensional compositions that effectively

communicate their ideas and expertise. The exhibited works originated from the following art classes:

-Digital Photography 1 and 2, Painting 1 and 2, Intro to Art and Design and Installation and Performance taught by Kristine Granger

-Ceramics 1, 2 and 3 taught by Casey Hinkson.

This is a juried art exhibition in which one artwork per course will be selected to be part of Bay's Permanent Art Collection.

The Celebration of Student Success exhibition can be viewed in the Besse Gallery from April 12-June 15.

Comedian to perform in Besse Theater April 10

ESCANABA – The Bay College Campus Activities Board announces comedian Julian McCullough at Bay College.

McCullough will be performing on the Escanaba campus of Bay College April 10. The show begins

at 7 p.m. in the Besse Theater.

Tickets are \$2 for students and Bay College employees, and just \$5 general admission. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at <http://baycollege.tx.com/Schedule.aspx?OrgNum=3755>.

Brady withdraws from first congressional race

MARQUETTE – Northern Michigan University professor Dwight Brady has announced he will no longer seek the nomination of the Democratic Party in his bid for Congress. Brady's cited a variety of reasons for his decision to withdraw.

"Over the past several months, key endorsements and financial support in this primary have not tipped in my favor," he explained. "Considering these events along with a very serious illness in my family, I felt it was best to step away."

Brady is an Upper Peninsula native who grew up in Manistique. "I got into this race a year ago because I felt we should be represented in Congress by someone who is actually from here, not from Louisiana. Unfortunately, my deep roots in northern Michigan and a record of service to my community and the state of Michigan were not enough," said

Brady. Despite exiting the race, Brady says he will continue working on issues important to the people of Michigan's 1st District.

Brady says his only regret is that he will not get the chance to debate Jack Bergman, but that he is thankful for the chance to have met so many inspiring people along the campaign trail. Brady also says he campaigned in all but four of the 32 counties in the district, and never spent a dime on hotels.

"So many gracious people opened their homes to me wherever I would go, and getting to know the host families was one of my favorite parts of the campaign," said Brady.

Brady looks forward to returning fully to his family and continuing his work at NMU. He is already working on a new documentary and plans to release a new album of original music about life in northern Michigan later this year.

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six little planes from Ohio that carried 12 veterans out to D.C. That was the beginning of Honor Flight.

Today, the organization has 131 hubs in 45 states. All together, the organization has taken more than 200,000 veterans to see the memorials built in their honor.

"In 2010, Barb VanRooy brought her WWII father to see the memorial and, while they were there, an Honor Flight was going on and she was intrigued to see who they were and what they did and how it all worked," stated Knauf.

She kept on and in September 2011, the first Upper Peninsula Honor Flight took off." Knauf added.

To date, there have been 13 missions – two a year – May and September. In total, the flights have taken 991 veterans from across the Upper Peninsula.

The first five flights included veterans from only WWII, but as those applications waned, the flights were opened up to the Korean veterans and then, in November 2015, to Vietnam veterans. They are now taking applications from any veteran who served from 1941 until May of 1975.

Veterans serving during war time or peace time are accepted, as well as those who served state side or overseas. Those who served and meet the requirements are eligible to fill out an application.

Applications will stay on file until their flight is completed. As of this date, before the May 2018 flight, there are 290 veterans on a wait list.

Flights are taken on a 737 chartered from Sun Country Airlines in Minneapolis, Minn. They fly in to Escanaba to pick up 75 veterans, 75 guardians, and 10 support crew. Within the crew are a doctor and two medics.



Also making a presentation was Bob Forry from The American Legion Post 83, at left. Making an individual donation as a past Honor Flight participant was Richard Swanson, at right.



Pioneer Tribune photos

The mission morning starts at 5 a.m. with a procession from the Quality Inn to the airport. Following an hour and 40 minute flight and breakfast served in-flight, participants deplane at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport and board three tour buses awaiting their arrival.

With the assistance of a police escort they are able to see the monuments in a day. The first stop is the WWII Memorial, where a group photo is taken. From there they re-load on the bus and tour up and down the mall to show them different buildings which includes the new Disabled Veterans Memorial and the Capital Building and White House.

From there they head to the Lincoln, Vietnam and Korean memorials. After crossing the Potomac, they see the changing of the guard at Arlington Cemetery.

From there, they head to the Iwo Jima and Ai: Force memorials.

"Now that we have transferred into more Vietnam veterans that are more able bodied, they move faster, we are able to unload three buses in eight minutes, and I had more time to do something with, so we were able to add the new 911 Memorial at the Pentagon. So the last two flights we did stop there and saw that memorial," stated Knauf.

Upon the conclusion of the day trip, participants then re-board the plane to head back to Escanaba for an 8:30 p.m. arrival time.

"If we have not seen an Honor Flight fly in to Escanaba, that is where you really have to come over and watch it," Knauf said.

"It will give you a little taste of what Honor Flight is about. Honor Flight is very emotional all day long for the veterans. I had one lady tell me that she sent a man with us and she got back a husband and a father. It's amazing how this one day trip changes people."

When Barb VanRooy first thought about doing this she had a hard time getting those first veterans to say yes. No

one had any idea what it was. The first veteran in Gladstone that said he would go actually "turned out to be my great uncle," Knauf continued. After he went on that first flight, I would get together with him every month and a half or so for breakfast and every time he would start talking about Honor Flight and he would start crying. I didn't understand how a one day trip can touch someone like that. So the second flight I went to the airport and watched and saw a little bit more and then I signed up to be a guardian on a flight."

Every veteran is matched up with a guardian. A relative or friend between 18 and 65, who is not a spouse, may accompany them. Knauf said the children who have gone with these veterans are saying "I never knew dad did that. He never talked about this or told us this."

Knauf was able to go on mission five as a free agent guardian, meaning he did not know his veteran. He met Leroy Anderson from Iron River, Mich. the night before at the banquet and the two built a friendship. They would call each other once in a while and meet in Iron River for lunch.

Honor Flight is 100 percent volunteer and donation-driven. The local hub has to raise approximately \$215,000 per year to operate two missions. Currently, they have 85 veterans confirmed on the upcoming Honor Flight XIV scheduled May 23.

"We appreciate anything you can do to help us out, Knauf said. "It is amazing how the Upper Peninsula has stepped up and helped us. They come up with a ton of different ideas on how to raise money for us. We are the only organization that I know of that people go out on their own and set up fundraisers for us. All we do is come in at the end and say thank you. We are so fortunate for that, because there is no way we could do the fundraising and put on two flights per year. So we thank you very much."

For more on Upper Peninsula Honor Flight, contact (906)-280-2871. Information and application forms are also available at www.uphonorflight.org, with additional upcoming events and information on Facebook.

We all love a good breakfast for dinner now and then. Why not call a few friends and invite them to our annual Pancake Supper, set for April 19. For a \$5 donation you get a breakfast of pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, American fries, sticky buns, orange juice, and coffee. Darrell Dixon has agreed to be the entertainment, which will begin at 4 p.m. Breakfast will follow at 5 p.m. This event takes the place of the monthly potluck.

Elder Law Attorney, Amanda Filippini will be at the center April 13. If you are interested in a free 20-minute session call (906) 226-4600 for an appointment or email amanda@estateandelder.com.

The Schoolcraft County Commission on Aging Board and Senior Center Board meetings have been moved to the same day. They are both held on the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., consecutively. They are open to the public. We are always looking for volunteers to serve on both boards.

Volunteers are an important part of the center. We will be treating volunteers to a yummy supper April 18. All you have to do is call the center at 341-5923 to get registered.

Northern Michigan Hearing will

be at the center April 26. To make an appointment, call (800) 637-7816 or email www.NorthernMichiganHearing.com.

We are excited to announce that the Seniors Farmers Project Fresh Program will be returning to the center. I am more than excited to announce that we will be receiving double the amount of last year. This is where I am asking for your help. We want to make sure that we use all 200 booklets, so that we receive the same next year.

The program allows elderly to receive \$20 in coupons that are "free" which can be used at any Michigan Produce stand that has a sign saying "Senior Project Fresh/Market Fresh". You certainly want to take advantage of fresh fruit and vegetables.

To be eligible to receive these coupons, you must be at least 60 years of age and meet the income guidelines. For one person: \$22,311 and two people: \$30,044. If you have additional family members, contact the senior center at 341-5923 for the income eligibility.

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Food Distributions wrong recently. Pull out your calendars, as I want to share the correct dates with you.

The TEFALP Emergency Food Program, which is open to all ages will be held June 7 and Sept. 13. It is held at the VFW Hall.

The second one is the CSFP Surplus Food Program. It is also held at the VFW Hall, but is only for those age 60 or older and you have to be pre-registered. The dates for this program are June 7, Aug. 2, Oct. 4 and Dec. 6. For further information give Sharla Kimmel a call at 341-2452.

We are still looking for Hands and Feet. Euchre and Cribbage players. If interested, drop by the office and get your name added to the list.

Can you help us out? We are looking for donations of adult briefs and blue pads. If you have any that you would like to donate, they can be dropped off at the center Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The Fundraising Committee is still selling Rada vegetable peelers, paring knives and knife sharpeners.

Senior Center

Connie Frenette

They have added a "new" item. If you don't have the Rada tomato slicer, you might want to check it out.

If you are a chocolate lover, they are also selling Saykly's candy bars and hearts. The assortment includes: peanut butter, caramel, mint, fudge, etc. You can also purchase Yooper bars, which make awesome gifts for family members or friends.

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News Brief

MARSP members will hold meeting April 11

MANISTIQUE - The monthly MARSP meeting is scheduled for April 11. The meeting will take place at the VFW, 344 North Maple Street in Manistique, beginning at 10 a.m.

Area director, Steve Gordon, will give an update on MARSP. They are collecting food for the Backpack Buddies Project.

Items needed at this time are: pop top cans of no water soups, Raviolios, Beafaroni, Instant Mac and Cheese, Ramen Noodles and individual cereal boxes.

All retired school personnel in Schoolcraft and Eastern Delta counties are welcome to attend.

UPPCO looks to pass corporate tax savings along to customers

MARQUETTE - Upper Peninsula Power Company plans to pass along savings from the new federal tax law to its customers, company representatives said Monday.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act was passed into law at the end of 2017, effectively lowering corporate tax rates from 35 percent to 21 percent.

UPPCO is requesting approval of a proposal that would pass along the savings attributable to the TCJA to its customers.

UPPCO's proposal was filed with the Michigan Public Service

Commission on March 30 as part of the process that is required by the state for determining how the benefits of the TCJA are to be credited to the utility's customers.

"Under our plan, a typical residential customer consuming 500 kilowatt hours per month will see a reduction of approximately \$1.30 on their monthly bills," according to Brett French, vice president of Business Development and Communications.

"This is in addition to approximately \$7 in monthly savings currently being seen by

a typical residential customer because of the steps we implemented in January. We anticipate our customers will begin to see the additional savings later this summer after the MPSC approves our plan."

Commercial, Industrial and Lighting customers will also see a reduction in their bills under the proposal.

UPPCO's filing is the first of three that are required of the utility by the state. Two additional filings will be submitted later this year to address the full effect of the TCJA.

Drug cases

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McGinnis is scheduled for sentencing today, April 5, at 10 a.m.

Shane David Henry, 43, of 329 Lake St., is currently scheduled for a preliminary examination in 93rd District Court April 23 at 10 a.m. He is charged with one count of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture of the substance Suboxone.

Henry was also charged as a habitual offender - fourth offense notice. His preliminary hearing is scheduled, in continuation of a previous hearing, April 23.

Daniel Joe Baker, 47, of 601 Range St., was charged in 93rd District Court with one count of controlled substance - delivery/manufacture, less than 50 grams of a mixture containing the controlled substance Vicodin, a felony punishable by up to 20 years

in prison and or a \$25,000 fine; and one count of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture of the substance Suboxone, a felony punishable by up to seven years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$10,000.

Baker was also charged as a habitual offender - third offense notice. He is scheduled for a preliminary examination April 11.

Dimitri Mishko, 27, of 304 Lake St., was charged in 93rd District Court with one count of controlled substance - deliver/manufacture of the substance Suboxone, a felony punishable by up to seven years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$10,000.

McGinnis, Henry, and Baker remain lodged in jail. Mishko has posted bond and is currently attending a rehabilitation program.

School safety

allows anyone to confidentially report tips on criminal activities or potential harm directed at Michigan students, school employees, or schools, are effective, but that local officials must follow up on the tips.

Berbohm explained that a school liaison officer could be an option, as well as the presence of local law enforcement.

"A police car out front of the school and a live officer inside the school is your number one deterrent," he said. "The positive side is law enforcement builds a strong rapport with the kids and actually heads things off before it happens."

Berbohm said he does offer free training for school employees and local law enforcement is trained.

"We don't train the public, we don't train the kids. Why? Number one suspects, typically, are the children. Number two is the unknown, and the number three is the disgruntled parent," he explained.

Berbohm said lock downs, are announced using "plain language" and that the 911 Regional Board, through Homeland Security grants, has purchased a download for an app for the schools and public buildings.

"The app will have on there a button that will say 'lockdown' - it will have a button for fire, a button for EMS," he explained. "The advantage of this is we will geolocate the school if they hit it. If they're in the school, it goes right to 911 dispatch."

The app is also capable of alerting other teachers and staff of a lockdown situation once the button is pushed, Berbohm said. In the meantime, he said he will also be revisiting active shooter trainings for the schools, offered in two and a half hour and four hour blocks.

"We have to portray our professionalism enough that parents can trust us - that they're (the students) are going to be safe," Berbohm explained. "It's just a matter of training."

Improved drop-off and pick-up procedures at the schools, along with the implementation of secured entrances, have, overall, increased safety in the District, he added. "You guys are on the right path, but there's nothing we can do to

100 percent guarantee nothing will ever happen," Berbohm said. "It takes that communication and it takes people knowing there is a plan ... and that we continually train the staff."

He added that all law enforcement from the area, including the Manistique Public Safety Department, Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department, Michigan State Police, and Department of Natural Resources, and Sault Ste. Marie Law Enforcement, has had the same training.

"We trained everyone in the U.P. the same way," Berbohm said.

Jack Patala, representative for Attorney General Bill Schutte, was next to address the meeting attendees, reporting on the OK2SAY

"School safety is definitely something that is important to me," he said. "OK2SAY ... is confidential tip-line reporting for students. So if students hear a threat of violence, if they see something going on, or if one of their friends tells them something concerning ... this is a way that a student can report it confidentially."

Patala explained the tips go to a center in Lansing which operates 24/7. Tips are received via the OK2SAY app, phone number, website, or email.

"Once it's received in the tip center, our team of technicians will look at it and, depending on the severity, will contact the school administrators or, if it's urgent, they'll contact local law enforcement directly."

While the program can be misused by people reporting false tips, Patala said there are measures to handle this.

"This program has saved a lot of lives around Michigan," he said.

"I think, since we started in 2014, we've now hit the 12,000 mark in terms of tips that we've received in our schools ... In January of 2018, we received 15 planned school attacks in Michigan, but in February, we received 110. So it's definitely a system that's being used."

MAS Superintendent Maryann Boddy noted that children in the District have been trained about the OK2SAY system and how to use it. She also pointed out that she had worked with a school liaison offi-

cer in her previous district.

"I am definitely an advocate for the program, for what it does for the relationship between the children and the authorities, and the respect that it builds," Boddy explained, adding that there has been support expressed in establishing a similar program in the MAS District. "If anything comes from this meeting ... I would like it to at least be that we seriously look into a school liaison program and how that can be funded to help keep our kids here in Manistiquette safe."

Manistiquette Middle and High School Principal John Shiner noted that the school is continually training on school violence.

"We have a school safety plan that's developed in conjunction with the state and local police," he said. "We practice lock-downs, emergency and non-emergency, drug dogs, shelter-in-place, evacuation. The administration is trained in the mechanical workings of boilers and blowers so we can stop the flowage of air if we need to. We have had active shooter training. We have school safety reminders in classrooms. We have school safety drills practiced under the guidance of local and state police."

"We're pretty with it," he added. "We do take it very, very seriously in this district."

Shiner noted that he agrees with Boddy that a school liaison officer would be a welcome addition.

"Although, I have no idea where those funds would come from," he said.

Schoolcraft County Prosecuting

Attorney Tim Noble also agreed that having an officer dedicated primarily to the school would be ideal.

"I think it's a wonderful idea to get police and children interacting at a younger age," he said.

Manistiquette Public Safety Director Ken Golat explained that a school liaison officer is estimated to cost approximately \$80-90,000 a year with benefits.

"I've looked into these grant programs before - the feds will fund perhaps 80 percent, the municipality has to pick up 20 (percent)," he said. "Then after four years, you have to have a guarantee that the municipality provide this person a full-time job."

He added that the city does not currently have the 20 percent match and his department is currently at minimum staffing levels.

"If I could, I would ... the money. I don't know where it's going to come from," Golat said. "I think it's a great program to pursue, but it's going to take some inventive thinking."

Noble pointed out that in reality, three school liaison officers would be needed - one for each school in the area. This would equate to a much higher price tag - at least \$160,000.

Until a decision and plan is made about the possible addition of a school liaison officer, Golat said police activity within the district is currently substantial, with officers making contact daily.

"The cooperation we have is fantastic," Shiner added.

Cherry Street

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in the wintertime end to end to find good pipe, and then that wouldn't be covered under the project."

Barr pointed out that the city had been expected to be bidding the infrastructure project out at this point, allowing at least a portion of the project to commence this year.

"We haven't even got to that point yet," he said.

Despite this setback, Barr said USDA-RD has a few options to complete an "emergency" portion of the project prior to commencing the work in its entirety.

"We're just moving that block (of Cherry Street), from Range Street to Steuben Street so that gets done yet this year," he explained. "Most likely it will happen after the Labor Day holiday."

The work will require blasting to get through the sheet rock prevalent on the east side of Manistiquette.

"It'll have to have a blasted trench," Barr said. "We'll have to do both pipes (water and sewer) this year, plus all the storm sewer."

The project will be bid out as a four-week deadline, Barr said.

Quick facts
Infrastructure on one block of Cherry Street from Range to Steuben Street will be replaced this fall.

"This will be weather dependent," he explained. "We would prefer to get the base course of asphalt down that way it's much easier in the wintertime to maintain."

Barr added there is a possibility, if the weather does not cooperate, that block of Cherry Street will be left with a gravel surface for the winter.

"This particular section of Cherry Street is some of the oldest stuff we have," he said. "It was put in in the mid-1930s, so it's very old pipe. We're having to do a lot of extra maintenance on it because there's pieces of pipe that are actually missing - the rock is kind of holding it together. We're there at least once a week cleaning it so we don't have any issues."

Manistiquette City Council has approved the expedited project.

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Clear Lake Education Center receives Relic Ride donation for 'Stewards Group'

MANISTIQUE — Clear Lake Education Center recently received a donation to their Stewards Group from the Jack Pine Lodge and Long Riders Sportsman's Club.

The Jack Pine has hosted the Long Riders Snowmobile Relic Ride for numerous years. This year, Kevin Knaffla, owner of Jack Pine, announced proceeds from the Relic Ride would go to three groups: Eva Burrell Animal Shelter, U.P. Honor Flight, and Clear Lake Education Center.

Clear Lake is a partnership between the Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District, Marquette Alger Regional Educational Services Agency, and the U.S. Forest Service—Hiawatha National Forest. The Center connects people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds to the natural world through recreational and educational programs.

Many students from U.P. schools visit the Education Center for one to three days, learning about the environment and wildlife of the area.

For years, CLEC was funded through large grants and other contributions from MARESA, DSISD, and the



Courtesy photo
Miri Klotz, from Clear Lake Education Center, recently accepted a donation from Kevin Knaffla, owner of Jack Pine Lodge, which hosts the Relic Ride.

Hiawatha National Forest. After those grants were expended and as partner

contributions decreased, CLEC has had to discover new means of funding.

To that end, the Clear Lake Education Center Stewards Group was created.

The CLEC Stewards are a group of dedicated individuals from varied backgrounds who feel connected to the mission, staff, or location of the Center. They have a passion to lend expertise and energy to Clear Lake's long-term viability and a desire to make it the best it can be. Working out details for incorporation and achieving 501c3 non-profit status will provide the ability to seek more grant funding and move the Center toward a sustainable future.

The money contributed by the Jack Pine Lodge and Long Riders will support the Clear Lake Stewards Group.

Along with other benefits, membership in the Stewards Group will include an annual meeting at the Center with a weekend stay and activities for the whole family. For more information about Clear Lake or its Stewards Group, feel free to contact Director, Miri Klotz — clearlake@dsisd.net or (906) 280-5364.

District Court

93rd District Court

Crystal Ruth Williams, 39, Fairbank's Road, Crystal Falls, charged with following too closely (3/18). Assessed \$115.

Nathan Matthew Armoak, 16, County Road 442, Cooks, charged with violation of the basic speed law - too fast (3/18). Assessed \$115.

Jacob Allen Popour, 24, N. Hiawatha Drive, Manistique, charged with fishing too many lines (3/18). Assessed \$210.

Andrew James Johnson, 20, M-94, Manistique, charged with speeding 1-5 over (1/18). Assessed \$115.

Charles Craig-Donald Bontekoc, 20, County Road 441, Manistique, charged with no proof of insurance (3/18). Assessed \$25.

Roland Odoro Ofori, 32, Anthony Street, Hancock, charged with driving 70 miles per hour in a 65 mph zone (3/18). Assessed \$115.

James Colton Dash, 29, Cooper Road, Gulliver, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55 mph zone (2/18). Assessed \$115.

Zachary Allen Warren, 20, U.S. 2, Manistique, charged with fishing too many lines (1/18). Assessed \$210.

Nicholas James Smith, 18, M-149, Gulliver, charged with driving 60 miles per hour in a 55 mph zone (3/18). Assessed \$115.

James William Gaffney, 43, N. Third Street, Manistique, pled guilty in 93rd District Court to operating while intoxicated-second offense (2/18). Assessed \$50 state costs, \$75 crime victim rights assessment, \$600 statute fine, \$900 statute costs, \$173 restitution, \$650 other costs, \$2,448 total. Sentenced to serve 20 days in the Schoolcraft County Jail with credit for one day served. Placed on 18 months probation. Optional jail 240 days.

Next week students across the State of Michigan will be sitting to take the Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress, M-STEP. This is the annual test given by the State of Michigan to test the educational progress of students in third through 11th grades.

This is also the test that will be used to determine reading proficiency of third grade students as part of the Third Grade Reading Law that will go into effect next year.

The testing schedule is rigorous and consists of an estimated 3.5 hours of testing for third and fourth grade students and 5.25 hours of testing for fifth grade students. Sixth and seventh grade students will test for approximately four hours and eighth grade nearly 5.75 hours. The tests in grades three through eight are given in

segments lasting from 30 minutes to nearly two hours.

At the high school, ninth and tenth grade students will take the PSAT April 10 while the juniors take the SAT. On April 11 the juniors will take the ACT WorkKeys test, and the M-STEP science and social studies tests on April 12.

Testing for fifth and eighth grade students will begin April 10. Testing for students in third through seventh grade will start May 1. Detailed test schedules will be available online at www.manistiqueschools.org and by teachers in their weekly communications.

To create the best testing situation for students, parents

are asked to ensure that students are well rested the night before scheduled testing. Students should also have a good breakfast at home or at school before sitting to take their tests. A good night's sleep and a full belly are key in setting students up for a good testing experience.

If you have any questions about testing for your student please contact the school office.

On another note, MAS is actively seeking substitute teachers, education assistants, food service workers and custodians. Anyone interested in working as a sub should register at subpass.com.

In an effort to help individuals who are unsure of what is involved

MAS News

Maryann Boddy

with being a substitute, MAS will be offering a substitute workshop April 21. The workshop will include a tour of each of the buildings, a review of school rules and expectations, an overview of emergency procedures and assistance in registering on subpass.com.

Individuals who attend the workshop and sub in the district for three days will receive a \$100 one-time bonus payment.

Details on the substitute workshop will be forthcoming. Watch for more information here next week or on Facebook and Twitter. If you have any questions about the substitute workshop contact Maryann Boddy at (906) 286-2802.

Police Log

Manistique Public Safety

Drive
9:30 a.m., citizen assist, Michigan Avenue.
12:50 p.m., hit and run PDA, S. Cedar Street.
1:15 p.m., lock out, N. Cedar Street.
11:30 p.m., MDOP, Main Street.
4:50 a.m., domestic, Deer Street.

6:45 p.m., assist, Main Street.
9:00 p.m., fire alarm, Main Street.

2:45 a.m., domestic, Main Street.

Thursday, March 29, 2018
10:32 a.m., animal complaint, N. Cedar Street.

10:46 a.m., three car PDA, E. Lakeshore Drive.

5:00 p.m., PDA River Street.
5:30 p.m., safety hazard, Central Park.

10:45 p.m., disturbing the peace, Cherry Street.

12:40 a.m., department assist, River Street.

Friday, March 30, 2018
7:30 p.m., citizen assist, Deer Street.

8:55 p.m., citizen assist, Manistique Avenue.

9:25 p.m., 911 hang up, Steuben Street.

10:25 p.m., department assist, Main Street.

2:05 a.m., DPW request, snow covered and slippery roads.

Saturday, March 31, 2018
12:30 p.m., careless driving, E. Lakeshore Drive.

1:51 p.m., NDOP, Intake Park Road.

6:25 p.m., parking violation, Range Street.

7:50 p.m., well being check, Deer Street.

9:00 p.m., PDA, W. Lakeshore Drive.

~2:26 a.m., hit and run PDA, Deer Street.

Sunday, April 1, 2018
3:41 p.m., lock out, N. Maple Street.

Monday, April 2, 2018
6:28 a.m., citizen assist, Deer Street.

7:40 a.m., lock out, Michigan Avenue.

8:45 a.m., lock out, Riverview

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

Tuesday, March 21, 2018
12:00 p.m. civil, within the city.
6:20 p.m., property inspection, Saginaw Street.

10:30 p.m., probation violation, Arbutus Avenue.

1:40 a.m., missing juveniles, N. Houghton Avenue.

3:07 a.m., citizen assist, W. Lakeshore Drive.

Wednesday, March 28, 2018
7:40 a.m., 911 hang up, Inwood Township.

7:47 a.m., MDOP, N. Cedar Street.

8:00 a.m., found license plate, U.S. 2.

9:00 a.m., PDA, Lake Street.

9:55 a.m., citizen assist, U.S. 2.

1:45 p.m., animal complaint, Arbutus Avenue.

2:45 p.m., safety hazard, N. Maple Street.

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Pioneer Tribune

Sports Brief

Registration open for Annual Yooper Hooper

MANISTIQUE — The 17th Annual "Yooper Hooper" will be held at Manistique High School April 14.

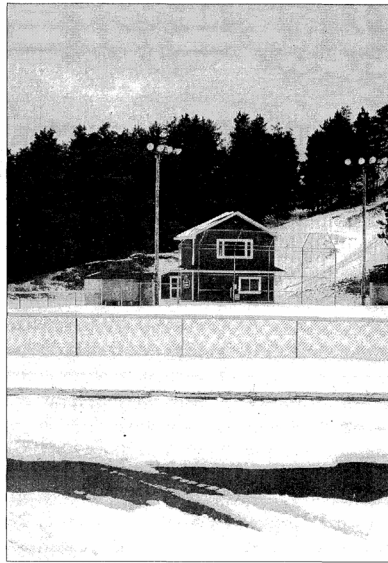
The event starts at 8 a.m. that Saturday in the Richard Bonifas Gymnasium and ends when the last team finishes. All start and end times will be dependent on the number of teams competing.

The basketball tournament is open to teams of three or four athletes from 10 and under through 36-plus. Coed teams are required to play in boys division at the appropriate age. Proof of age is required.

Registration fee is \$80. All teams are guaranteed two games and participants will receive a Yooper Hooper T-shirt.

Registration forms and rules are available to be downloaded under the "Calendar and Community" tab on the school website: www.manistiquehighschools.org.

Further information is available by calling 341-4300 extension 226. Deadline to register is April 9.



Pioneer Tribune photo

The Emerald girls' softball team was slated to start the season off with their first game next Tuesday at home in Central Park Field against Gladstone. Thanks to recent weather conditions, however, it doesn't look like they will be playing there anytime soon.

NBA Standings

NBA Stats as of 4/4/18

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic	W	L
1. Toronto	55	22
2. Boston	53	24
3. Philadelphia	47	30
4. New York	27	51
5. Brooklyn	25	53

Central

1. Cleveland	48	30
2. Indiana	46	32
3. Milwaukee	42	36
4. Detroit	37	40
5. Chicago	27	51

Southeast

1. Miami	42	36
2. Washington	42	36
3. Charlotte	34	45
4. Orlando	23	54
5. Atlanta	22	56

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Northwest	W	L
1. Portland	48	30
2. Utah	45	33
3. Oklahoma City	45	34
4. Minnesota	44	34
5. Denver	43	35

Pacific

1. Golden State	57	21
2. LA Clippers	42	36
3. LA Lakers	33	44
4. Sacramento	25	54
5. Phoenix	20	59

Southwest

1. Houston	63	15
2. San Antonio	45	33
3. New Orleans	43	34
4. Dallas	24	54
5. Memphis	21	56

Weather delays start of fast pitch season

MANISTIQUE — The 2018 Lady Emerald fast pitch softball season was set to kick off April 10, but due to weather conditions, early games on the schedule, including the opener, will not be played.

Games are still pending, as Manistique will need to play Gladstone and Westwood before the conference tournament May 21.

This year's squad will have some big shoes to fill if they want to beat out the current record holders listed below.

EVENT - OFFENSE

	Performance	Year	Athlete(s)
B.A. Season	.484	2013	S. Chartier
B.A. Career	.369	2008-2010	M. Neddow
Hits Season	38	2010	B. Bontekoe
Hits Career	76	2008-2010	M. Neddow
Home Runs Career	4	2008-2010	M. Neddow
Stolen Bases Season	20	2013	S. Chartier
Base on Balls Season	17	2013	M. Russell

EVENT - DEFENSE

Career Assists	144	2008-2010	M. Neddow
Fielding % Career	.689	2008-2010	A. Wood
Fielding % Season	.948	2013	L. Knuth

EVENT - PITCHING

Strike Outs Season	70	2011	H. MacGregor
Strike Outs Career	71	2008-2009	C. Hyland
ERA Season	3.18	2009	M. Neddow

Cross country co-op approved

Manistique and Big Bay de Noc will compete as one for fall 2018

MANISTIQUE — The Manistique Emerald cross country team will receive a boost in numbers this year, thanks to a recently approved cooperative agreement with Big Bay de Noc School. The agreement is the second sport co-op the school has with the Manistique Area Schools District.

MAS Superintendent Maryann Boddy explained during a recent MAS Board of Education meeting the district was approached by a representative group from BBdN School asking if a cooperative agreement for cross country, which takes place in the fall, would be considered. MAS Athletic Director Rob Ryan and the Student Activities Committee fielded the request.

"We discussed that, looked at numbers, looked at how it would affect our level of competition ... if it

would bump us up in division, because when you do a co-op, you take the enrollment of both schools," Boddy explained. "We felt with the history of our numbers in cross county and the ability to field a team — our kids have not had a team score in quite a while because you have to have five runners on each boys' and girls' team, and we've been struggling to meet that."

For these reasons, Boddy said the co-op was considered a "win-win". She also noted that cross country Coach Laurie Lindstrom supports the action.

The petition for the co-op agreement was unanimously approved by the board and sent on to the Michigan High School Athletic Association for final approval.

The district currently has a co-op agreement with BBdN School for football.

The truth about sports scholarships

Editor's note: The following submission represents the personal opinions of the author and should not be used to characterize the opinions of the Pioneer Tribune.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Many parents are trying to live the dream through their sons and daughters — the dream of landing a college athletic scholarship by specializing in a sport year-round. Unfortunately, most of these dreams are never realized.

The odds of a sports scholarship paying for even a portion of a student's college education are minuscule.

The College Board, a not-for-profit organization comprised of 6,000 of the world's leading educational institutions, reports that a moderate cost for college students who attend a public university in their state of residence is \$25,290 per year. The annual cost at a private college averages \$50,900.



Bob Gardner

Meanwhile, the most recent data from the NCAA reveals that the average Division I athletic scholarship is worth only \$10,400. More significantly, the same study shows that fewer than two percent of all high school athletes (1 in 54) ever wear the uniform of an NCAA Division I school.

Even if the dream is realized, parents likely will spend more money for club sports than they ever regain through college athletic scholarships. Thanks to the costs of club fees, equipment, summer camps, playing in out-of-state tournaments and private coaching, youth sports has become a \$15 billion-per-year industry.

There is an option, and it's a financially viable one:

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BLAST FROM THE PAST

Pioneer Tribune Archive photo
From the April 7, 1983 issue: Lonnie Edwards (right) was all wound up to spring a big left on Frank Nolan of the Soo in their March 31 boxing match in the Manistique National Guard Armory. Edwards, a 139-pound boxer from the Manistique club, won a decision over Nolan. Manistique fighters had a good night overall, winning 13 out of their 18 matches.

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International Bridge debuts falcon nest cam

SAULT STE MARIE, — Peregrine falcons returning to the Sault Ste. Marie International Bridge this year will need to get ready for their close-ups. The International Bridge Administration has installed a new nest camera, the "FalCam," to allow people to watch them online this year.

While they may still fine-tune the vantage point and the zoom factor, the IBA now has the live video stream viewable at <http://www.saultbridge.com/falcam>.

The camera is coming online just in time for the seasonal return of the endangered raptors. While working with their partners at Siemens and Lighthouse.net to get the camera online earlier this week, IBA staff saw one of the birds appear onscreen.

"We were surprised that they were here already," said International Bridge Engineer Karl Hansen. But, he said, birds have also appeared at nest boxes on the Portage Lake Lift Bridge through Houghton and Hancock Webcams, viewable at <http://pasty.com/nestbox.html>, which was installed there in cooperation with the Copper

Quick facts

- A pair of peregrine falcons has returned to nest on the Sault Ste. Marie International Bridge this spring.
- The International Bridge Administration recently installed a webcam showing the nest site.
- The camera is dubbed the "FalCam," it can be accessed at <http://www.saultbridge.com/falcam>.
- Birds have been returning to the bridge for years, hatching 24 chicks since 2010.

Country Audubon Club to allow people to watch potential nesting activity.

Last year, a pair of peregrine falcons successfully nested on the International Bridge, hatching four chicks.

"This site has hatched 24 falcon chicks since 2010, when we put in the nest box and started counting," said

Hansen. "There were more before that but we don't know the number."

Michigan lost its peregrine falcons in the 1960s and 1970s due to the use of DDT and other environmental contaminants. Since conservation efforts started in the mid-1980s, the number of peregrine nests has slowly increased. Now there are about 40 falcon nests actively being monitored statewide, with one to two new pairs discovered most years.

The peregrine falcon has been removed from the federal endangered species list but is listed as an endangered species in Michigan, protected by state and federal law. Peregrines have adapted to city habitats, nesting on tall buildings, smokestacks and bridges around the world.

The operation and maintenance of the International Bridge is totally self-funded, primarily through bridge tolls. It is not subsidized by any state, provincial or federal government entity. For more information on the International Bridge, please visit www.saultbridge.com or follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/saultbridge.

It's a new fishing season: Don't forget a license

LANSING — Sunday marked the start of the 2018 fishing season, so don't forget to purchase a new license before hitting the water.

It's a great time to target walleye and northern pike, with other seasons on the Lower Peninsula's Great Lakes, Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers open all

year. From Lake St. Clair all the way down to Lake Erie, anglers will be traveling near and far to target walleye, with plenty of opportunities to try and catch their limit.

Interested in steelhead? April can be a perfect time to fish for them on Michigan's rivers. Michigan is home to some of the best steelhead fishing

in the country. Consider a stop along the Au Sable, Betsey, Grand, Huron, Little Manistee, Manistee, Manistique, Pere Marquette, St. Joseph or Two Hearted rivers to try landing one or more of these beauties.

For more information, visit michigan.gov/fishing or contact Elyse Walter at (517) 284-5839.

Op-Ed

Encourage your sons and daughters to play sports at their high school.

In education-based high school sports, student-athletes are taught, as the term implies, that grades come first. The real-life lessons that students experientially learn offer insights into leadership, overcoming adversity and mutual respect that cannot be learned anywhere else. Unlike club sports, coaches in an education-based school setting are held accountable by the guiding principles and goals of their school district. And the cost of participating in high school sports is minimal in most cases.

While there is a belief that the only way to get noticed by college coaches is to play on non-school travel teams year-round, many Division I football and basketball coaches recently have stated that they are committed to recruiting students who have played multiple sports within the high school setting.

In addition, by focusing on academics while playing sports within the school setting, students can earn scholarships for academics and other talents — skill sets oftentimes nurtured while participating in high school activities. These scholarships are more accessible and worth

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more money than athletic scholarships.

While \$3 billion per year is available for athletic scholarships, more than \$11 billion is awarded for academic scholarships and other financial assistance.

Without a doubt, your sons and daughters will have more fun, make more friends and be better prepared for life beyond sports by participating in multiple sports and activities offered by the high school in your community.

Bob Gardner, is the executive director of the National Federation of State High School Associations.

April 8 - 14 is Severe Weather Awareness Week

LANSING — Despite winter's grip lasting well into April this year, the warmth of spring and summer will eventually be making a return to Upper Michigan. With the arrival of the new seasons, come the threats, frosty spring and summertime severe weather.

As another severe weather season approaches, Gov. Rick Snyder has declared April 8-14, as Severe Weather Awareness Week in Michigan.

While the overall number of severe weather events were below average last year, severe thunderstorms, flash flooding, and tornadoes were still responsible for five deaths and over \$220 million in damages across the state of Michigan. The biggest severe weather event for the U.P. occurred during the early morning hours of April 10, 2017.

A severe thunderstorm developed east of Iron River and raced northeastward toward Marquette, producing large hail up to golf ball size and wind gusts approaching 90 mph.

Thousands of trees were blown down from Republic through Ishpeming and Negaunee.

In addition, several structures sustained roof damage and many power lines were blown down. Unlike 2016, where there was a record six tornadoes confirmed across the U.P., there were zero tornadoes confirmed across the U.P. in 2017. Despite some close calls, there were no serious severe weather-related injuries across the U.P. last year.

In the weeks following Michigan's Severe Weather Awareness Week, meteorologists from the National Weather Service in Marquette will be visiting several counties across Upper Michigan providing storm spotting training. The presentations are a way for residents to be involved in the weather warning process by relaying important, potentially lifesaving, weather information to the National Weather Service during times of ac-

tive weather.

A schedule of presentations can be found at www.weather.gov/mqt. The presentations are free and open to all.

During Severe Weather Awareness Week in Michigan, the National Weather Service is encouraging residents across the state to review severe weather safety procedures.

Plan ahead. Be sure everyone in your household knows where to go and what to do when severe weather threatens. The best time to prepare for severe weather is before it happens. Being weather ready is a collective effort. It takes the whole community to effectively prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against damages caused by severe weather. Additional severe weather awareness week and weather safety information can be found at www.weather.gov/mqt.

Sports Brief

Pigs vs. Punks annual fundraiser Thursday

MANISTIQUE — The annual Pigs vs. Punks basketball game, the friendly face-off between Manistique area law enforcement and Manistique High School seniors will be held April 5, today, at 6:30 p.m. in the Manistique Middle and High School gymnasium.

At half time they will announce the name of the "lucky" individual who will kiss the pig.

The evening will also include the jail and bail fundraiser, 50/50 raffles and a concession.

All proceeds from the event will benefit the Manistique High School All Night Drug/Alcohol Free Grad Party.

2018 Emerald Softball

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Wed.	Apr 11	Westwood	HOME	4:00 PM
Wed.	Apr 18	Rudyard	Rudyard	4:15 PM
Mon.	Apr 23	Munising	Munising	4:00 PM
Tues.	Apr 24	Iron Mountain	HOME	4:00 PM
Thurs.	Apr 26	Negaunee	HOME	4:00 PM
Sat.	Apr 28	Mtsg. PINK Tournament	HOME	10:00 AM
Mon.	Apr 30	Gwinn	HOME	4:00 PM
Wed.	May 2	Rapid River	Rapid River	4:00 PM
Fri.	May 4	Bark River	HOME	4:00 PM
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Tues.	May 8	Gwinn	Gwinn	4:00 PM
Thurs.	May 10	Escanaba JV	HOME	4:00 PM
Sat.	May 12	St. Ignace Invitational	St. Ignace	9:00 AM
Tues.	May 15	Iron Mountain	Iron Mountain	4:30 PM
Fri.	May 18	Menominee	Menominee	4:00 PM
Sat.	May 19	MPC Tournament	Westwood	10:00 AM
Mon.	May 21	Westwood	Westwood	4:00 PM
Tues.	May 22	Rudyard	HOME	4:00 PM

Fish Report

Ret. Sgt. John Walker

Well, I know it's supposed to be spring but with the weather we are having you could sure convince me it is not really here. This past weekend we went up to camp and managed after a struggle to get into camp with the four-wheeler but the snow is still knee deep up there and that was before the last snow we got. It could be we will be able to drive in by the Fourth of July.

Unless there is a real quick change to the type weather we are having you had better not make plans on getting into some of the fishing spots up north for the opener unless it's by snow machine. It has been a while since we have had enough snow at the last part of April going into the first part of March but it has happened before. The problem is even if the snow level drops way down it can be so muddy you cannot get back into some areas. I guess it will just be a waiting game to see what happens.

The one big plus this time of year is that the sun is nice and high in the sky now and warms things up a lot as the day goes on. I have said for years that I am solar powered so I sure enjoy the heat from the sun. This is what made it so nice the couple of days we got to spend up at camp. There is nothing better than a nice warm fire along with the warm sun and a real nice

comfortable recliner. When the rest of the crew went off on their snowshoes to the lake I felt led to stay in my comfortable recliner and stand guard over our food supply.

Those that went snowshoeing proved once again some of the facts that always hold true when snowshoeing in a line. The first fact is, if someone steps on the back of your snowshoes there is always an outstanding "face-plant" into the snow when the lower part of your body steps on a dime and your upper body keeps going. The other fact is that if you are all in a row it can be like when you set up a number of dominos in a line, when the first one topples so do the others down the line. It sure makes for a lot of laughs when everyone is enjoying the time spent together.

With the rest of the family scattered all over the country it is almost impossible to get everyone together in one place at the same time but just maybe someday things will work out. If so there will be a whole lot of laughter and reminiscing about the things that have happened since we all saw each other. You have to admit whenever we do get together even when there

are only some of us the laughter that we enjoy is unreal. Life sure is good if you let yourself enjoy it whenever you get a chance too.

Even with the crazy weather we are having the die-hard fishermen are still getting their fishing gear together and taking advantage of sporting goods sales to help with collecting items to fill out their wish list. One thing you have to admit that it does not matter if you are a hunter or fisherman there is never an end of the ever growing wish list. There is always something new that the "essentials" will come up with that will almost guarantee your chances of catching the big one will improve. Of course in my case one might as well save their money because they will never dream up something that will improve my fishing talent and chances are they never will.

Each year about this time one always thinks about and remembers the "good-old-days" of the smelt runs and back when we used to have them. Now about the only way to have a smelt feed is at a restaurant. How times have changed up here in Yooper land.

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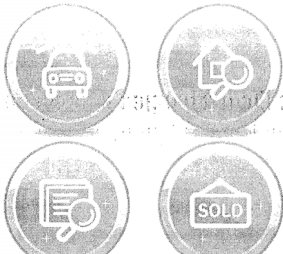
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A day in the life of a DNR conservation officer

By Bob Gwizdz

For conservation officers Jason King and Will Brickel, who patrol Saginaw County, the second Saturday of March offered an atypical work assignment.

They were paired to patrol a section of the Saginaw River on the last Saturday before walleye season closed for six weeks.

The officers were part of a four-boat crew that the Michigan Department of Natural Resources had deployed during a "saturated patrol," a technique the DNR uses when it expects a lot of traffic in a specific area.

King, 32 and a conservation officer for three years, and Brickel, 29 and serving in the role for four years, said they work alone 90 percent of the time. But both said they prefer to partner up when they're working in a watercraft.

"Typically for marine patrol, we try to work in pairs because it's easier and safer," Brickel said.

Both officers agreed that the group patrols are a good idea for a number of reasons, including having help available if there are mechanical issues with equipment.

"And just the fact that you've got more eyes on things means you'll see a lot more," King said.

Brickel said he thinks group patrols present an opportunity to enhance his skills.

"I learn from the other guys who have been doing it longer — the tricks of the trade," he said.

Group patrols are relatively common for some activities, such as a snowmobile or off-road vehicle patrol or maybe ice fishing on a larger lake or bay, if for no other reason than the word spreads fast on social media that the DNR is out there.

Patrolling in groups gives conservation officers a chance to make a lot of contacts before any scofflaws can hightail it out of the area.

King and Brickel launched their boat in downtown Saginaw and headed downstream, Brickel handling the 18-foot Lund boat while King looked through binoculars.

He scanned registration numbers to make sure boaters were compliant, then chose a boat with three anglers to check.

Sure enough, there was an issue: one of the anglers did not have his fishing license with him. So, King asked the angler for his driver's license and then delivered a short monologue.

He told the angler that it was a violation to not have his license in his possession but that he would call in and find out if the angler had a license.

If so, King said he wouldn't bother him again, but if not, he could expect a ticket, either later in the day or in the mail. King ended up letting it go with a warning. The angler did have a license.

"I don't write a lot of tickets," King said. "But when I do, they're good tickets."

Neither of the officers said they felt like they were under any pressure to write tickets. Just making their presence known helps with compliance, they said.

"Ninety-nine percent of the people aren't doing anything wrong," Brickel said. "But the more contact you make, the more people will tell you about what's going on in the area."

Throughout the day, the pair checked several boats and found most were in full compliance. No one had too many fish or any undersized walleyes.

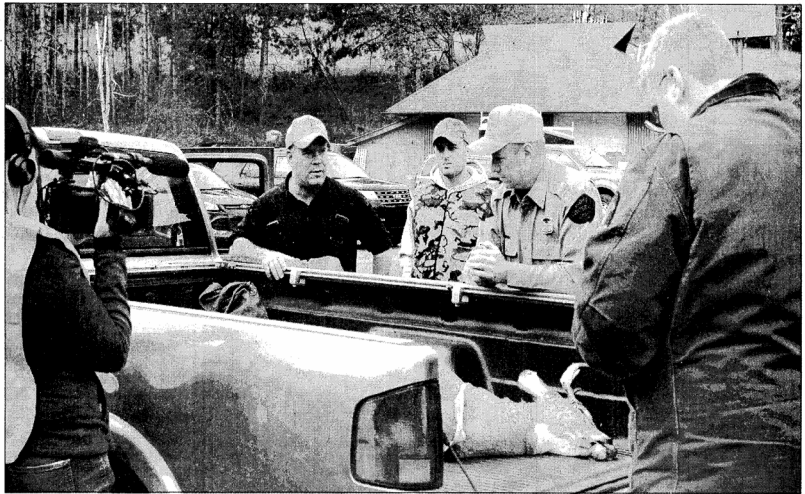
Several anglers did not have their licenses with them. They were warned of the violation and their driver's licenses were run to make sure they were license-holders. Several anglers who weren't carrying their boat registrations were similarly warned.

The pair wrote just one ticket — to an angler who did not have flotation devices (life vests) in his boat.

"Safety is our top priority," King said.

DNR Sgt. Tony Soave, who was running the operation, said saturation patrols are "really effective."

"We can hit a lot of areas right away and make a lot of contacts before people realize we're on the river," he said. "We try to focus these



Photos courtesy DNR Above, from left, videographer Kristin Ojaniemi, hunters Paul Dishaw and his son, Tony Dishaw from Ishpeming, Michigan Department of Natural Resources Conservation Officer Mark Leadman and DNR wildlife biologist Brian Roell. Hunter Paul Dishaw of Ishpeming checks a six-point buck he shot in Marquette County at the DNR check station in Marquette during the November 2016 firearm deer hunting season. The scene is captured by Ojaniemi for the "Wardens" television show.

patrols when the resource is most vulnerable. Right now, the river is full of fish — you can tell by how many fish are being caught."

Soave said he runs about a half dozen saturation patrols a year, but they're hard to organize because conservation officers have such a wide range of duties.

"We've got to pick a time when we've got enough officers available to make it work," Soave explained. "Today we would have had another boat out, but I've got two officers in Lansing conducting interviews for the next (conservation officer) recruit school."

A group patrol on Saginaw Bay earlier this winter turned up a lot of violations.

"We wrote about a dozen tickets before word got out that we were out there," Soave said. "The odds are more in our favor when we're catching them by surprise."

Surprise is an important element in catching violators, according to Brickel, who said he makes a lot of cases by standing back and watching. He finds a lot of guys illegally catching walleyes from the riverbank at night, often during the closed season.

"A lot of people we just watch," he said. "We don't even make contact. When you're doing deer patrol, for instance, and you see a parked car, you can run the license plate number and see if the owner's got a deer license. You don't need to make contact."

Both officers considered the day's work productive, despite the fact they didn't run into any bad guys.

And both said they really like their work because it changes with the seasons.

"As soon as you get tired of checking guys in boats, it's small game season," King said. "You're not doing the same thing all the time.

There are so many things going on at the same time — you're checking fishermen during hunting season too."

Brickel agreed.

"It doesn't get tedious," he said. "It's a great job." Stationed in nearly every county of the state, DNR conservation officers have a wide range of duties including observing and checking hunters and anglers, enforcing snowmobiling, off-road vehicle and watercraft regulations as well as laws that protect the environment, and educating Michigan residents about outdoor recreation safety.

Conservation officers are also first responders to a variety of natural disasters and emergencies, and as fully licensed peace officers, the occasionally make arrests not related to natural resources violations.

For a closer look at what DNR conservation officers do on any given day, check out the television series "Wardens," airing on the Outdoor Channel.

Since February 2017, the show — which chronicles the lives of conservation officers in America — has focused on the Michigan DNR's law enforcement work and natural resources management efforts.

More information about the show and previews of upcoming episodes are available at outdoorchannel.com/wardens.

Michigan conservation officers are fully commissioned state peace officers who provide natural resources protection, ensure recreation safety and protect citizens by providing general law enforcement duty and lifesaving operations in the communities they serve.

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