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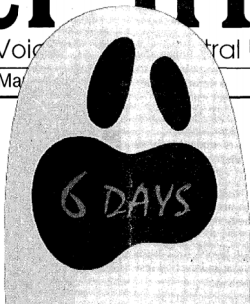
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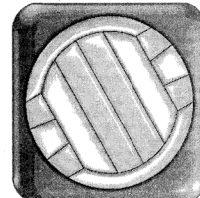
Haunted houses and more. This weekend.

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Spiking down the house. Emeralds win.

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Quick facts

- On Monday, the Manistique Area Schools District received notice that its third-party employment agency, which handles approximately 30 district employees, was ceasing operation.
- The district has taken action to ensure a smooth transition, the superintendent said Wednesday.

MAS hits roadblock with PESG

In abrupt announcement, third party agency closes

MANISTIQUE — Manistique Area Schools is moving forward after a setback earlier this week involving its third party employment agency. The district saves money in its use of third party staffing services by not having to pay FICA insurance or into the Michigan Public Schools Employees Retirement System.

According to MAS Superintendent Maryann Boddy, Professional Educational Services Group, LLC., the third party used for years by the district — with increased use beginning in 2015, informed the district Monday of its cessation of operations.

"PESG sent an email late Monday afternoon notifying us they would be ceasing operations in Michigan effective Monday, Oct. 22," she explained. "Immediately upon notification, the district reached out via email to all employees reassuring them that there would be no job losses, asking them to report for their assignments on Tuesday and announcing a staff meeting for 3:45 pm the following day to share more information."

Boddy noted that approximately 30 individuals had been working through PESG. "The nearly 30 dedicated individuals who worked through PESG in the Manistique Area Schools are valued team members who are vital to the day operation of our programs," she said. "From the

Residents seek answers during jail millage forum

Nine-member panel provides input to community members

MANISTIQUE — Members of the community gathered Tuesday to discuss and learn more about the upcoming Schoolcraft County Jail millage request, which will appear on the Nov. 6 General Election ballot. The community forum took place at the Schoolcraft County Courthouse with a question and answer format.

Answering questions at the forum were: Schoolcraft County Sheriff Paul Furman; Schoolcraft County Undersheriff Darrell Dixon; Mike Hickey, Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department deputy; Tom Cremonte, with Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority, the county's insurance provider; Commissioner Dan Hoholik; Manistique Department of Public Safety Director Ken Golat; Kevin Erickson, retired Luce County sheriff; Kevin Dencke, MMRMA; and John Cischke, current sheriff of Luce County, which currently does not operate a county jail.

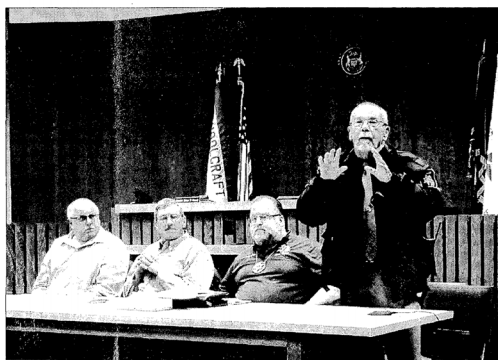
The following were among the questions asked and answers provided during the forum:

Q: What type of concerns do you see with our current jail, and do you think that we need a new jail?

A: (Cremonte) Back in the 1950s and 1960s, most of the jails built in Michigan ... were built with a different type of population in mind. The population in our jails is mostly low-risk people — drinking and driving ... we had no female population — literally no female population in our jails. Our jail population nationwide has changed dramatically ... we've seen an increase in jail population.

Moreover, is a lot of the jail population has serious medical and mental health needs that your current jail cannot take care of. That's just created a number of facility issues.

I do not see any reasonable way of making



Schoolcraft County Sheriff Paul Furman, far right, takes time to answer a question during Tuesday night's community forum on the upcoming jail millage request.

modifications to your jail that our cost effective without increasing staffing dramatically at that current site ... the current facility, to remodel ... it costs a lot more money to remodel and renovate.

Your jail population fluctuates ... the way your jail is designed and set up and staffed, you should not have 30 people in that jail. It's just unsafe for the staff, for the men and women that work in there, and for the inmates. The jail's got poor electrical ... there's no natural lighting, literally no natural lighting in most areas of the jail. It's not maintained the way it probably should be.

You don't adequate staffing to run a jail. There's no jail that should ever be staffed with just one employee ... it's unfair to the men and women who have to work in there and it's unfair to the inmates, because their

needs aren't being met and the staff isn't protected like they should be protected.

Q: You reviewed the plans for the armory conversion. Would you give us your feedback on that?

A: (Cremonte) That's a good facility, designed for efficiency and will meet the needs of the current types of population that your jail sees.

Q: Kevin Dencke, is there anything you'd like to add to that, and then could you talk about liability issues and what could happen to premiums in the future if we don't address these issues?

A: (Dencke) All of our insurance is written

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News Briefs

Triple feature movie, trunk-or-treat Saturday

MANISTIQUE — The third annual Fright Night at the Manistique Drive in is set for Oct. 27. The public is invited to the family-friendly event.

Gates will open at 4 p.m. for Trunk or Treat. Prizes for best decorated trunks, as well as the best Halloween costumes, will be awarded.

At dusk the animated, kid-friendly movie "Monsters, Inc." will begin, followed by "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" from 2003 and "Fameral Home". There will be intermissions between movies to allow for attendees to enter and exit the field.

Admission to the trunk or treat and movies is free of charge courtesy of mBank — this month's drive in sponsor.

Concession will be operated by Habitat for Humanity HiawathaLand.

To sponsor a future drive in movie night, contact Don Erickson or Eric Sherbinow at upfilmunion@gmail.com, or call the Film Union at (906) 356-3711.

Area man to serve up to four years in prison

MANISTIQUE — A Manistique man will serve a minimum of 15 months — up to four years — in prison after being sentenced last week in circuit court.

Scott Michael Rosebush, 28, of 7688W Riversbend, was sentenced Oct. 18 in 11th Judicial Circuit Court after pleading guilty to one count of felonious assault. He was sentenced to serve a minimum of 15 months to a maximum of four years in prison.

Rosebush was credited for 98 days served.

Two other charges one count of operating motor vehicle while intoxicated and one count of domestic violence, were dismissed as part of the plea agreement.

Rosebush was ordered to pay \$1,006 in court costs and fees and restitution.

Feeding America truck to return

MANISTIQUE — The Schoolcraft County Feeding America Mobile Food Truck will visit Manistique Oct. 31. The truck will be available from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital, 7870W U.S. Highway 2, in Manistique.

The October truck has been sponsored with Upper Peninsula

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Events

Oct. 26, 27, 31 — The Haunted Barn, Schoolcraft County Fairgrounds, 7:30-10 p.m., \$3 per person, \$10 per family

Oct. 26, 28, 31 — Haunted House, Habitat for Humanity building, adults \$5, children \$4, family \$20, 7-9 p.m.

Oct. 27 — Trunk or Treat Triple Feature, Manistique Drive-In, trunk or treat 6 p.m., movies begin at 7 p.m.

Oct. 27 — Community Kids Halloween Party, Elks Lodge No. 632, 12-1 p.m.

Oct. 31 — City of Manistique Trick-or-Treating, 5-7 p.m.

Oct. 31 — Trunk or Treat, First United Methodist Church, 5-6 p.m.

Oct. 31 — Trick-or-treating at the Schoolcraft County Medical Care Facility, 4-5 p.m.

Nov. 10 — Catholic Women's Society third annual Craft Show, St. Francis de Sales School, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.



The eighth annual Table or Treat, sponsored jointly by the Schoolcraft County Great Start Parent Coalition and the Schoolcraft County Communities That Care Coalition, took place Tuesday evening in the Emerald Elementary gymnasium. The event boasted fun for children of all ages, as well as plenty of unique costumes.

3-Day Forecast

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by the underwriting staff and what they do seek input from the consultants ... and they look for areas of risk and undue liabilities. Potentially it could, if it got to the point where it was unsafe - which, it appears, that's what we're looking at here - it could affect the rate that the county is charged for insurance. I'm not saying absolutely it would, but it's something to think about.

Q: How would you rank our facility, compared to others statewide?

A: (Cremonese) I can tell you, unequivocally - and it is no fault of anybody in this community, it's no fault of the sheriff and undersheriff - your jail is one of the 3 most problematic jails in Michigan right now. Even though your loss history doesn't reflect that, I really, really, really worry about your facility ... I know there's not a lot you can do about it, I realize that. I understand there's a situation - your population, community, and resources are limited.

The population demographics have changed ... your jail is not designed for that sight and sound separation ... there's a lot of inherent risk you guys have.

Q: As a retired sheriff of Luce County, could you share what that transition was like and what hap-

pened in your community?

A: (Erickson) We've had contracts with Schoolcraft County, Alger County, Chippewa County, and also Mackinac County - just for the jail space ... The county commissioners ... could have got a grant and almost built a new jail for free - almost. At that time, we couldn't afford to staff it. Our county, Luce County, is the second poorest county in the state. That was always the hindrance on it.

Over the years, as your facility appears to deteriorate ... it got to the point where I talked to the (Schoolcraft County) sheriff at the time ... I could not proceed, stay in our contract with them (to house Luce County inmates) because we were in direct liability issues.

If you build a facility larger, say, 10-15 beds larger than you actually need, by statistics, you'll fill those beds. It's a market out there. There are counties looking to place inmates.

Q: What would be the impact of not having a local jail?

A: (Cischke) I, personally, have never had an experience with having our jail. It's always been on a contract basis. The present contract we have with Alger (County) is working fabulous. They take all levels - all prisoner levels. The only big thing they ask is if we

have somebody that possibly has a mental issue or anything, that they are medically cleared before we take them over there. Which works.

What we end up doing is, under the new state law on arraignments now, an inmate has to be represented by an attorney. Well, we have what we call video arraignments, so they can be in Alger County, the judge is in Luce, the attorney is in Luce, so that's being done by video.

The biggest issue ... is during the winter months that stretch around Wetmore ... can be a pain in the neck to transport people back and forth. So we got a new transport vehicle - it's a four wheel drive.

I can't see us ever getting a jail or county jail in the near or distant future in Luce County. I don't see it happening. The contracting for us right now works ... we've got 12 beds that they're guaranteed at \$30 a night. We pay for that whether that's filled or not ... we've got 18 beds that are available to us, and, as long as they get room, unlimited.

Q: Would you say if the county does close its jail, the chances of a new jail coming back to that county are pretty slim?

A: (Cischke) I would say it would be remote.

Q: Dan (Hoholik), why did the county commissioners start looking at the need for a new jail. That were the options, and why did you choose what you did?

A: (Hoholik) When the concerns came from the Michigan Department of Corrections, I got involved and formed a committee and we had the support of all the commissioners to ... look at all the options and that's when we hired Byce and Associates (an engineering and architecture firm out of Kalamazoo, Mich.) to put together a feasibility study. Because we're not the experts, but we make the decisions. They came back and laid all the options on the table and we were able to make the best decision for our taxpayers - the most economical decision - and that's what we chose to do.

We did our best for the people to keep it at 3 mills.

Q: Darrell (Dixon), you're there day to day - what would you like to add?

A: (Dixon) This last 3 or four weeks, I've had the privilege of going and doing various presentations to the various service groups of the area. I've had a multitude of very interesting questions from persons that have attended the groups. I'll say that the foundation of most of the questions were about

people's hard-earned money ... my response to them was, we're going to pay or we're going to pay. That's a covered statement, it's a very blatant response, but as a community, we're going to pay to keep our people here or we're going to pay to send them somewhere else. So not paying is not an option.

It's best for us to house our own, have our own, support our own, so that we can have and be and support our own.

Q: What is their (Luce County) budget to transport inmates to another county - what's their total budget to provide the service?

A: (Cischke) My total budget per year, for the jail, this year, that we're presently in is \$312,700. That's our total jail budget which includes salary, wages, prisoner board, uniform stipend - the whole list. That includes transporting prisoners.

Q: Paul (Furman) if our jail was closed, what impact would that have on you doing your overall job?

A: (Furman) Well, the same people that work in the jail work the road patrol, the ORV, snowmobile, our search and rescue - the law enforcement part of it. One of the thoughts from the county board is you close the jail down ... all the deputies would be laid off and

we'd hire transportation people. Well, what's that done, all my people are gone. I don't have any one to respond to a search and rescue. I don't have anyone to put on the road - all my people are transportation officers. We worked hard ... to work the drugs hard, to get our programs back, and we've done a good job ... If we lose the jail, and I lose my people, I don't know what we're going to do.

Q: What is the economic impact of building and operating a new jail? Has there been an economic feasibility study completed?

A: (Hoholik) No there hasn't.

A: (Dixon) We're already doing that ... we are, as a jail, community supported. Because the community is what got the jail together in the first place.

A: I've heard that there's been a request from the jail to obtain a credit card to shop in Escanaba for food. Is that true?

A: (Dixon) Not to my knowledge.

(Hoholik) I would just like to mention that for the tax dollars, the efficiency of the jail, we shouldn't

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commission to determine congressional and state senate and house districts. Proposal 3, "promote the vote", would make voting easier in a number of ways, most notably by allowing no-reason absence voting.

Michigan Republicans are opposed to both proposals. Why, one might wonder. Because, despite being a minority of Michigan voters, they currently control the entire state government.

Thus they enjoy their gerrymandered districts, and don't want to lose them. They also don't want voting to be easier, especially for anybody who might vote Democratic.

Republicans in power do not have the best interests of the ordinary people of Michigan in mind; only the best interests of their wealthy contributors, like the Koch brothers, the DeVos family, and the NRA.

Barbara Abbott
Lake Leelanau

Dear Editor,
After last week's Letters to the Editor bashing Jack Bergman, Donald Trump and Line 5, I am more in support of them than ever

before. I sometimes write to Ms. Stabenow and receive no letter back.

As to single payer health care - "people" it won't work. Not with the population the United States has. Our health care would be severely limited.

As I sit here in my kitchen in Schoolcraft County and look around I see many things and they were all paid for by Enbridge Energy (except for a few antiques inherited from my grandparents). My husband worked for Enbridge for 35.5 years.

Every car we've bought, every snowmobile etc. So I am wondering what would happen to my taxes, my electric bill, etc. if Line 5 is shut down?

Think of all the pumping stations that pay taxes in the counties they are in not to mention the electricity they use. Also taxes paid on the lines that run in the ground.

What will Schoolcraft County do when they no longer receive these taxes paid by Enbridge? Folks where are we headed? Isn't it great that we are still free enough to move if we like.

Also what of all the people

affected by the shut down of Line 5? Of the money they spend in their communities?

So Matt Morgan is a hunter, gun owner and has a concealed carry permit. Big deal, that does not make him pro gun, pro Second Amendment. NRA gives Mr. Matt a D rating.

All that can be further said is that the Democrats are not the answer. They have no plan except to "Impeach Trump." Vote Republican.

Rebecca Nelson
Manistique

Dear Editor,
Last December, Gov. Snyder's own Pipeline Safety Advisory Board recommended shutting down Line 5 in the Straits of Mackinac until safety issues were resolved. Snyder instead has announced an agreement to keep its oil flowing for another decade while Enbridge builds a tunnel. The Mackinac Bridge Authority is to own the tunnel for 99 years. He appointed two new MBA members to help with this decision before he leaves office.

Canadians have rejected pipelines across their own country,

so Enbridge needs our shortcut to their East coast markets. This corporate gamble with our Great Lakes is both unfair and unnecessary.

Enbridge has other pipelines around the lakes. Despite Enbridge claims, Michigan only uses about 5 percent of Line 5's oil and 2 percent of its propane liquids.

Enbridge profits while Michigan bears the risk. A 75-year-old pipeline on life support and 99 more years of Canadian oil transport is

not the way to a Pure Michigan future.

The MBA must reject tunnel ownership at its Nov. 8 meeting and call for proper regulatory review. We must elect state leaders in November who will decommission Line 5 to plan for Michigan's tomorrow.

There are alternatives for U.P. propane supply and for pipelines, but not for clean water.

Barbara Stamiris
Traverse City, Mich.

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Maurice H. Fagan

MANISTIQUE - Maurice "Moe" Herbert Fagan, 88, of Manistique, Mich., passed away peacefully on Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018, with the love and prayer support of his family.

He was born on Dec. 24, 1929, son of Herbert and Winifred (Vanderwalde) Fagan. He attended Manistique Schools until enlisting in the Army. In the Army he served during WWII and during the Korean War. He spent three years serving our country until being honorably discharged and moving back home to Manistique. Once back home, he married the love of his life, Jacqueline "Jackie" Thorell. Together they raised three daughters.

Moe worked as a mason in and around the surrounding area of Manistique for many years. He made a home in both Arizona and Michigan for the last 25 years allowing him to be with family and



friends in both states. He loved any reason to gather with family. He enjoyed being outdoors whether it be walking his dog, hiking the neighborhood or hiking in the Arizona mountains and always wanted to make people feel comfortable.

He is survived by his loving wife of 68 years; daughters, Maureen Carman of Mesa, Ariz., Deborah (Bruce) Shine of Fountain Hills, Ariz., Brenda (Mike) Selling of Mesa; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; brother, Emmett Fagan of Santa Barbara, Calif.; sisters, Bonnie Billmaier of Taylor, Mich. and Betty Tuttle of Gulliver, Mich.

He is preceded in death by his parents and brother Stan Fagan.

Family and friends may send condolences or share a memory at mbfuneral.com.

Kathy H. Selling



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MANISTIQUE - Kathy Helen Selling, 63, of Manistique, Mich., passed away on Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018, at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital.

She was born Jan. 14, 1955, in Detroit, Mich., the daughter of Francis and Florence "Jean" (Knuth) Selling. She graduated from Manistique High School the class of 1973.

After High School she went to cosmetology school and eventually moved back home to own and operate her own salon. In and out of the salon, Kathy loved being social with her clients. She loved and cared for her client like family. They were all so very special to her and a very big part of her life.

Kathy was a member of the T.O.P.S. Club of Manistique. She loved to cook and entertain, and she was a part of many different leagues in the area including slow pitch softball, as a pitcher, bowling and volleyball. She loved to dance, sing karaoke and was a fabulous story teller. Kathy especially loved

the time that she could spend with family and friends.

Kathy is survived by her mother of Manistique; brothers, Danny (Cheryl) Selling of Manistique and Tommy (Tina) Selling of Manistique; nephews, Brandon (Joey-Lynn), Matt (Niki), Connor, and Tre; nieces, Lisa and Candice; great-niece Brooke; great-nephew Ayden; special sister Susie (Mark) Clark of Gladstone, Mich. and family; and godmother Helen Lynts.

She is preceded in death by her father.

Visitation will be held from 3-5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, at Zion Lutheran Church in Manistique. Funeral services will follow at 5 p.m. with Pastor Eleanor Russey officiating. Burial will take place at Fairview Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be directed to the Zion Lutheran Church. Family and friends may send condolences or share a memory at mbfuneral.com.

Robin R. Burton

MCMILLAN - Robin Renee Burton, 59, of McMillan, Mich., died Friday evening Oct. 19, 2018, at her residence surrounded by her loving family. Born March 5, 1959, in Manistique, Mich., daughter of the late William "Buck" and Dawn (Losey) Hollingshead, Robin was a graduate of Manistique High School.

On Nov. 6, 1986, Robin married William Telford Burton and was a devoted homemaker.

A resident of Lakefield Township for the past 20 years, she was a member of the Germfask Christian Fellowship Church and enjoyed animals, puzzles and spending time with her family.

In addition to her parents, Robin is preceded in death by her husband William Telford Burton on April 8, 2008.

Survivors include her brother

Bradley (Adeline) Hollingshead of McMillan; step-children Sheila (David) Marks of Manistique, Ann Marie Marshall of Ishpeming, Mich. and Mary King of Manistique; several step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Friends may call at the Germfask Christian Fellowship Church on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m.

A memorial service celebrating the life of Robin will follow at 1:00 pm at the church with Pastor J.D. Livermore officiating.

Interment will take place at the West Lakefield Cemetery. Beauieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family. Condolences may be expressed by visiting www.beauieufuneralhome.com.

Dolores Hawthorne



Dolores Hawthorne

GARDEN - Dolores "Dee" Hawthorne, 87, of Garden, Mich., passed away on Sunday, Oct. 21, 2018.

She was born Dec. 31, 1930, in Manistique, the daughter of Frank and Gladys (Chenord) Weber. Dee was raised in Manistique and graduated from Manistique High School.

After graduation, Dee moved to Detroit, Mich., to work, where she met her future husband, Bradford Hawthorne.

They married in 1950 and moved to Manistique to raise a family.

Dee had a love of the outdoors, gardening, camp, playing cribbage, desserts, and visits from family.

She was proud to pass these loves onto her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Dee was loved by many and will be missed by all who had the honor of knowing her.

Dee is survived by her three daughters; Debbie Tatrow of Garden, Darla (Shannon) Warlin of Republic, Mich. and Jolene (David) Wilson of Sturgeon Bay, Wis.; grandchildren,

Robert (Penny) Vertz, Jeffrey Vertz, Charlie Hawthorne, Jennifer Hawthorne, Danielle (Justin) Blandford, Tyler Smith, Brandi (Patrick) Wilson, and Kacie (Andrew) Mueller; nine great-grandchildren; and a great-great-granddaughter.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Hawthorne; partner in life, Donald Thompson; sister, Phyllis Biaggio; brother, Gerald Weber; son, Doug Hawthorne; and son-in-law, James Tatrow.

Millie A. Carley



Millie Ann Carley

MANISTIQUE - Millie Ann Carley, 87, formerly of Manistique, Mich., passed away Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018, in Green Bay Wis. Millie was born May 29, 1931, to William and Maude (Paradise) Carefelle in Manistique, Mich.

Millie married Roger Carley on Aug. 7, 1954, in Flint Mich. They moved to Manistique and resided there for many years. Millie was a babysitter extraordinaire, and loved the children she cared for like her own.

Millie is survived by her daughters, Kathy (John Shimon) Carley and Karen (Steven) Robbins. She is also survived by her grandchildren Christopher Fjeldos, Palmer and Alex Shah, Alaina (Jordan) Thomas, Madelyn and Gina Shimon, Nate (Rochelle) Robbins, Evan Robbins, Dax Koller, and seven great-grandchildren. She

is further survived by her brother-in-law, Kenneth Gillingham; sister-in-laws, Susan Carefelle and Ella Carley; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her dear husband, Roger Carley; her parents; her siblings, Ferris (Marion) Carefelle, Billie (Warren) MacGregor, Lois Gillingham, Ronald Carefelle; granddaughter, Julia Shimon; and Roger's eight brothers and sisters.

A funeral mass will be held Saturday, Oct. 27, at 10 a.m. at St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistique. Burial services will follow at Fairview Cemetery. A luncheon will also follow at St. Francis de Sales School.

Thank you to the wonderful people at Grandcare Nursing home in Green Bay, Wis., for your care and compassion in Millie's final days.

Melvin C. Anderson



MANISTIQUE - Melvin Clay Anderson, 92, of Manistique, Mich., passed away on Sunday, Oct. 21, 2018, at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital.

He was born on Jan. 7, 1926, son of Clay and Ingeborg (Johnson) Anderson. He attended and graduated from Manistique Schools.

After High School he enlisted in the Merchant Marines and served during WWII. During the Korean War he served in the Army until he was honorably discharged. After the war, Melvin moved back to Manistique and worked as a tool and die maker for Manistique Tool and Die, retiring after 40 years. He married the love of his life Paula Sigel on April 26, 1963, in Manistique where they spent the rest of their lives to-

gether. Melvin loved photography and taking pictures of nature and wildlife. He enjoyed working with his hands building things out of wood, like tables, chairs and children's toys. He also liked fabricating things out of metal like scooters and snowmobiles. Melvin is survived by his brother Wesley (Donna) Anderson of Louisville, Colo.

He is preceded in death by his loving wife; brothers, Howard and Lloyd; and sister, Evelyn.

A graveside service will take place at Fairview Cemetery on Monday, Oct. 29, at 11 a.m. Memorial donations may be directed to the American Heart Association. Family and friends may send condolences or share a memory at mbfuneral.com.

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instant that we got word on the discontinuation of services from PESG our only question was, 'How do we ensure that the employees will not suffer any inconveniences moving forward.'

During a special Manistique Area Schools Board of Education meeting Tuesday, Boddy said the long and short term district plan was shared.

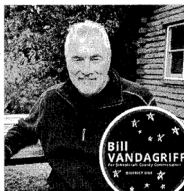
"In the short term, the district will pay the affected employees on the same schedule they had been paid with their next checks being processed on Thursday afternoon," she explained. "In the long term, Manistique Area Schools will be working in cooperation with the Delta-Schoolcraft ISD to secure services from a highly reputable educational employment agency,

EduStaff. We anticipate that the transition period may take up to 30 days and throughout that transition period MAS will assume the responsibility of processing biweekly payroll and working with the team members to ensure they are not suffering any unforeseen consequences from the transition," she added.

Write-in Bill Vandagriff

Candidate for District 1 County Commissioner

(Doyle Township, Germfask, Manistique Township, Mueller Township and Seney)

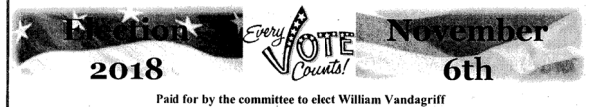


I am running for Schoolcraft County Commissioner because I feel the citizens want representatives in our government that are willing to work together to improve the lives of all in our community. They want representatives that are honest and do not have an agenda. They want representatives that serve the whole county. Lastly, they want representatives that will fight for them all the way, not just tell them what they want to hear.

I believe some people seek office because they think their long list of organizational affiliations entitles them to a position. I believe that is simply membership, not qualifications. Although, I have served as a teacher and public servant, what qualifies me for the position of Schoolcraft County Commissioner is that I listen to people, carefully research the issues, discuss these issues with others and vote my conscience based on reasoned consideration of all of the facts, and opinions. As such, I will serve Schoolcraft County with integrity and I will work to make decisions in the best interest of the entire county, not just the interests of a few. Thank you for your consideration! Bill

How to write-in Bill Vandagriff

- 1. Find District 1 County Commissioner on right side of ballot.
2. Fill in the bubble next to the blank space.
3. Write-in Bill Vandagriff in the blank space next to the bubble.



Paid for by the committee to elect William Vandagriff



FAQ's

Schoolcraft County Transit Authority Millage Request 11/6/2018

- 1. Question: Is this a "new additional" millage? Answer: This replaces the millage that is expiring under Schoolcraft County Public Transit. In October 2016 we became Schoolcraft County Transit Authority as a separate entity. The "new additional" is a replacement for the old expiring millage.
2. Question: Will this millage raise our taxes? Answer: NO, It replaces an expiring millage the Transit had under the County. This "new additional" millage is the same rate as we have had the past few years under our expiring millage.
3. Question: Why does Transit need a millage? Answer: Currently 44% of our operating cost comes locally from Schoolcraft County. This is required to receive State and Federal funding. Local support is needed to continue to provide service that area residents have come to expect and appreciate.
4. Question: How many trips does Transit provide a year? Answer: This past year we did over 55,000 rides. Without a millage we would provide approximately only around 5,000 a year. Without a millage hours and days of week would be greatly reduced.

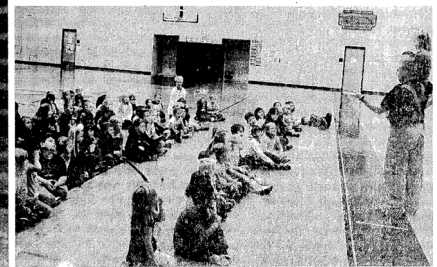
Schoolcraft County Transit Authority Ballot Language

Shall the Schoolcraft County Transit Authority, County of Schoolcraft, Michigan, be authorized to levy a new additional millage in an amount not to exceed .587 mill (\$.587 on each \$1000 of taxable value) against all taxable property within the Schoolcraft County Transit Authority limits (the jurisdictional limits of Schoolcraft County) for a period of five (5) years, 2019 to 2023, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for all public transportation authority purposes permitted by law, including serving the elderly, disabled and the general public of Schoolcraft County? The estimate of the revenue the Schoolcraft County Transit Authority will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the Schoolcraft County Transit Authority in the first year (2019) is approximately \$214,000. A portion of the revenue collected may be subject to capture by the Manistique Downtown Development Authority.



FIRED (P) UP

Pioneer Tribune photos
Members of the Manistique Fire Department, along with the help of Fireup, recently visited area schools to teach students about fire safety. The lessons consisted of familiarizing students with fire gear, how to communicate with firefighters, trivia, games, and more. At left, one Emerald Elementary student takes the time to hug Fireup after the visit. Below, Manistique Public Safety Sgt. Tim Russell hoists Kayla Jones on his shoulder after she correctly answers a question.



GFWC honors two at meeting

MANISTIQUE — GFWC Manistique Women's Club recently held their October meeting at the Comfort Inn. Ed Wright was the featured speaker, presenting his work with beekeeping and its effect.

Wright explained how pesticides, parasites, and weather can affect the well-being of bee hives. He also detailed how he gets raw honey from the hive combs into jars to place for sale.

Brenda Fleck was honored as club Member of the Month. Jeanne Gundersen was honored as Featured Dedication Member of the program book for the year. She is a life member of the GFWC Manistique Women's Club, serving for 62 years.

The next meeting is set for Nov. 13 at 12 p.m. inside the Comfort Inn. Schoolcraft County Sheriff Paul Furman will speak about opioids and other concerns of the community.

Tickets may be purchased at the Peoples Store for \$10 by 12 p.m. Nov. 12.

For more information, call 341-6701.



Courtesy photos

Featured guest speaker at the October GFWC Manistique Women's Club meeting was Ed Wright, pictured at bottom right. Above, GFWC Manistique member Brenda Fleck was honored as the club's Member of the Month. Sherri Krause, pictured at left, is shown making a presentation to her. At top right, honors also went to Jeanne Gundersen, who was recognized as Featured Dedication Member.

News Briefs

UP roadside parks to close for season Oct. 29

LANSING — All roadside parks in the U.P. They usually close in late October and reopen in mid- to late April. For a map and complete list of the Upper Peninsula will close for the season Oct. 29. MDTOT maintains 32 roadside parks, visit www.michigan.gov/roadsidepark.

Pawley to join State Savings Bank team Nov. 1

MANISTIQUE — State Savings Bank recently announced Mary Ann Pawley will be joining their lending team as a residential mortgage officer Nov. 1.

Pawley has extensive experience in the real estate area. She has worked for 15 years as a legal secretary, 13 years as the closing manager at Grover's Real Estate, and 10



Mary Ann Pawley

years for local financial institutions in the lending area.

"Adding another strong residential mortgage officer is a real plus for our bank and our customers," commented Mark Lavelle, president and CEO. "Mary Ann's dedication to customer service is a wonderful example of what we look for in a bank officer."

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Movie Guide

<p>First Man</p> <p>Run Time: 2hrs 21min Shown 7:00 p.m. nightly RATED: PG13 Sunday Matinee 1:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Halloween</p> <p>Run Time: 1hr 44min Shown 7:15 p.m. nightly RATED: R Sunday Matinee 1:15 p.m.</p>
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Downtown Manistique | Movie Guide: (906) 341-6622

WATER MAIN AND HYDRANT FLUSHING

The City of Manistique Water Department will be performing routine water main flushing the week of **Oct. 29 through Nov. 2**

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Fifty excited travelers have now returned from the Nashville show bus trip...

Our singers kept us so busy with entertaining that we didn't even get the chance to play some of the games that were planned...

Those singing on the bus included Joyce Butler, Lisa McLaurin, Jeff Butler, Sue Goffnat, Tim and Robin Derwin...

A great big "thank you" goes out to all of those that gave us a hand to and from Nashville. A huge "thank you" to all the donors of water and candy for throughout the trip...

I also want to thank everyone for taking the time to complete the survey on the way home and will try my best to include your remarks on the survey that is sent to me from Diamond Tours.

Most importantly, our "Yooper" family shined as they got off the elevator that they got stuck in at our last motel, just before leaving.

If you took any pictures I would love to receive them, allowing them to be shared by others. My facebook page is Connie Kay Frenette or they can be messaged to me at cfrenette@centurytel.net.

I am in the process of seeing it that some of the pictures get in the monthly "Timepiece" newsletter.

With this I want to share some of the comments on the surveys, so let's start with the favorite part of the trip:

Warm temperatures, music all over Nashville, and the craziness on the bus. The dinner and show at the Nashville Nightlife Dinner Theater, downtown night life (even ended up getting dropped off one evening downtown for the "Birthday Bash".

This is where I got teased for not being with them, when they missed Kid Rock by one hour, all the people on the bus and music, Santa Fe Cattle Co. where there was a choice of BBQ ribs, steak or catfish dinners. Thank you Bill Lasich for the bull ride!

This was also where Ron Lee was able to meet up with a friend of his when he used to live in the area, the whole trip was wonderful; all fun, tours, entertainment and Parthenon, downtown Nashville, exceptional all around, the fun that other people created. The people on the bus were joyous and it was contagious, Kentucky Derby Race Track, "all of it", Grand Ole Opry, Churchill Downs, everyone was friendly, always laughing and enjoying life, enjoyed all of it!

It was a great experience and all! A few of the general comments included: "Traveling with Yoopers is the best! Great people! Another great trip! The whole trip was very well planned - Connie was such a great leader! Exceptional all around. Can't wait until the next trip. I will be recommending to family and friends to take one! The weather is changing, and fast. If you are going away for the winter, I want to quickly remind you to contact the senior center if you receive the monthly "Timepiece" newsletter with your new address.



Courtesy photo

Tour of the backstage Opry! Least liked part of the trip included: Not enough free time, long ride, getting stuck on the elevator, mall shopping, Willie Nelson and Friends, all was wonderful, first room was dirty and several had nothing listed as least favorite, nothing - everything was fun and well organized!

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Due to our mailings using bulk rates, they will not be forwarded without your doing so. Newsletter duties will be due the beginning of the year and they will remain \$5 annually. Monetary donations have been received in memory of:

Connie Frenette: Wes Turan from Dennis and Ginger Boyd, Earl and Dorothy Johnson, JoNeil Rubick, Betty Stewart from Guy and Cheryl Bowman and the Swartz Family, Nick and Mike Frankovich, Mary Crossley and Jeri Barber, from Phyllis Frankovich, Betty Stewart, Gloria Nelson and Lori Nelson from Herb and Patsy Calhoun, Lori Nelson from Fred and Barb Hinkson. Maintenance and Support donation was received from Rick Schwartz and Charles Kane Family. BRIDGE Oct. 15: 1st-Audrey Savyo, 2nd-George Lowman, 3rd-Larry Savyo, CF-Linda Lowman, Hostess, Audrey Savyo. BRIDGE Oct. 19: 1st-Doris Norman, 2nd-Linda Lowman, 3rd-Larry Savyo, 4th-Janice Redeker, CF-Lauris Barr. Hostess, Doris Norman. 500 Oct. 19: 1st-Carol Shampine, 2nd-Barb LaVigne, 3rd-Pat Clark, Should'a Stayed Home-George Shampine. Birthdays this week: 26th-Phyllis Toyra, 28th-Linda Hamiel, Mary LaFlour, and Don Grayney, 29th-Jim LaLonde, 30th-Ray Nelson, Nov. 1st-Jerry Terrian, 2nd-Mary Jo Sablack. Happy birthday wishes to all!

Wagner details platform for 109th District run

FORSYTH TWP. - Melody Wagner, of Forsyth Township, Marquette County, is competing for the 109th District State Representative seat.



Melody Wagner

Wagner said she was motivated to run after experiencing inept and ineffective government involving a fraudulent mold-infested house purchase. She also said she is determined to give folks a voice in Lansing.

"I'm a conservative individual with a fact-based, common sense plan for we the people first and government second," Wagner said. "Michigan is last place in all three government branches (executive, legislative, and judicial) for government accountability and transparency. I will stand up for justice and equality, and will not accept establishment or lobbyist finances."

Wagner said residents believe there is a need to get "back to the basics in

morality and education, providing vocational training whenever possible to help families thrive again in the U.P."

"Viable jobs build self-worth and are needed for our high cost of living," she said. "Twice the national average car insurance with unlimited personal injury protection (a medical policy within a car policy) encourages fraud and will be fixed."

Wagner's platform includes: mental health crisis, drug abuse and suicide with a plan for criminal justice reform; consumer protection including drinking and wastewater issues, and indoor air quality. "I will work together with local, state and federal officials to assure air quality in resident's homes, businesses, schools and our environment are healthy," Wagner said.

Wagner said she has owned

and operated farms in Ohio and Wisconsin, moving to the Upper Peninsula in 2013 for a family job.

"I have served with integrity as a police officer enforcing laws and upholding ethics, helping people on the worst day of their life and volunteered in 4-H, Wisconsin Mead

Wildlife and DNR, served at Joplin Tomado Relief Mission and church," she said. "All life is precious, a baby in the womb or a parent breathing their last breath."

Wagner is a mother and member of the "well armed woman" with a criminal justice degree.

Grand Marais Women's Club Holiday Bazaar Saturday, Nov. 3 ~ 10am to 3pm at Burt Township School on the Bay. Local and Regional Crafters including Wreath Sales. Lunch Available.

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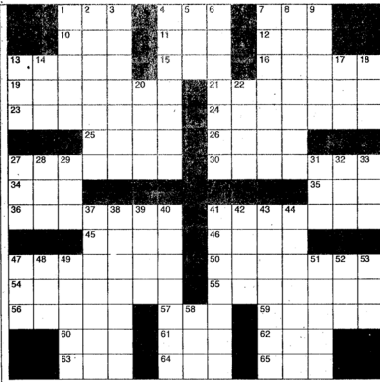
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CLUES ACROSS
1. Expresses weights
57. Francisco is one
4. Pounds per square inch
7. Central time
10. One who speaks for others
11. Aussie TV station
12. Swiss river
13. A way to improve
15. Awesonal!
18. Appeal to
19. Satisfy
21. The Emerald Isle
23. Quick passages
24. Love of humankind
25. Fleeshy peak covering
28. Type of sword
27. Basketball stat
30. Makes anhappy
34. The Princess can feel it
35. Bar bill
36. Of one
41. Prom accessory
45. Jai... sport
48. Assist in wrongdoing
47. Small hill
50. Erasas
54. Fill with motivation
55. Part of your face
56. Novelist Coelho
57. Francisco is one
59. Narrow space between two buildings
60. Soak
61. Proofreading mark
62. A baglike structure in a plant or animal
63. Time zone
64. Midway between northeast and east
65. Baseball stat
CLUES DOWN
1. Sharp mountain ridge
2. Types of lenses
3. Terms
4. Partial paralysis
5. Helps little firms
6. Alphabetical lists
7. Danced about; Set out
9. Trick's partner
13. Second sight
14. Disfigure
17. Comedienne Gasterley
18. Tooth caregiver
20. Wroful act
22. ...Nui, Easter Island
27. Away from
28. Member of Congress (abbr.)
29. Car mechanics group
31. When you plan to get there
32. Bother incessantly
33. One point east of due south
37. Small giveaways
38. "MASH" actor Gould
39. A type of habitat
40. Refined delicacy
41. Inflection of the voice
42. Follow orders
43. Discharge
44. Of the stars
47. Briefly place into
48. Present in all living cells (abbr.)
49. Take illegally by force
51. Genus of moth
52. Midway between east and southeast
53. Bashful
58. French river
Maze answers are on page B2

Sudoku puzzle grid with numbers 4, 5, 7, 9, 6, 3, 2, 3, 6, 4, 5, 1, 2, 6, 9, 5, 2.

Word Search
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Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 25 = e)
A. 6 3 13 4 9
Clue: Powdery substance
B. 13 10 25 23
Clue: Heats up
C. 15 5 19 25 9
Clue: Counts down
D. 21 25 2 2 25 9 15
Clue: Sweet treat

Food truck

grant funds from Feeding America West Michigan.
In conjunction with the truck's visit, SMH will be distributing new and used youth coats inside the hospital atrium from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. or until supplies last. Coat donations were collected and financial contributions were raised by SMH employees and community members.
SMH is still accepting donations from the community.
Anyone residing in Schoolcraft County with a food need may participate. If picking up a box for another family, bring a signed note with their address and permission to issue the box.
There are new USDA slips that need to be signed for personal boxes and boxes being picked up for others. Destroy slips from other distributions as they are no longer accepted.
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The distribution is set up drive-through style.
All cars must enter on Southtown Drive then follow signs. All vehicles will be directed to SMH exits after pick up.
The next truck has been scheduled for Nov. 28, with donations from local sponsors Petique and NAPA.
Residents may also have a box of food delivered to their door by calling Schoolcraft County Transit Authority at 341-2111 at least three

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Community forum

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be buying retail groceries. For the efficiency of that new jail, we're going to have a walk-in cooler, walk-in freezer - we're going to buy wholesale.
Q: Will the 3 mills carry the jail forward for the next 20 years?
A: (Hoholik) 1.3 mills is the construction and the conceptual design ... and then the other 1.62 takes care of the added operations, which is over and above what is already being funded by the (county's) general fund.
Q: If the new jail will handle 44 inmates, up to 56 inmates, is that going to improve the economical ability of the jail to support itself?
A: (Hickey) If we need all the beds for our county residents, that's who gets all the beds - that's our first and foremost priority. If we've got open beds sitting there ... are we going to be open to that (leasing beds) and be able to generate some revenue to offset some of the cost? Absolutely.
We don't talk about that much, because that's all hypothetical at this point.

sheriff transporting. They were hired just for transport.
Q: You talk about building a new jail, then why are we using the amory?
A: (Hoholik) That building was built in 1972 and the engineers looked at that and that building is going to last another 50 years.
Q: If the millage does not pass, that does not necessarily mean the jail is going to close, correct?
A: (Hickey) Not today, but eventually. We don't know when.
Q: If the county decided to restructure and look at another option, the jail is not going to close immediately?
A: (Dixson) There are things to need to be addressed that we can't do. The plumbing is for one. The wiring is for another. In order to do that wiring, we would have to expose the asbestos and other things that are covered up right now.
We got a good response (recent review from the MDCC) because we were able to do little things. We were able to do the majority of things that they had asked us to do. Certain paper signings, certain files updates, certain things in the kitchen, but structurally, the building is just antiquated.
We don't know when they will close, we just know that it is not in favor of us keeping it open.
The entire Schoolcraft County jail feasibility study is available online at www.schoolcraftcounty.net. The final Schoolcraft County jail tours are scheduled to take place Oct. 27 from 12-3 p.m. For past articles explaining the Schoolcraft County Jail millage request, visit www.pioneertribune.com

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NFL standings

NFL STATS as of 10-24-18

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East

1. NE Patriots	5	2	0
2. Miami Dolphins	4	3	0
3. New York Jets	3	4	0
4. Buffalo Bills	2	5	0

North

1. Pittsburgh Steelers	3	2	1
2. Cincinnati Bengals	4	3	0
3. Baltimore Ravens	4	3	0
4. Cleveland Browns	2	4	1

South

1. Houston Texans	4	3	0
2. Tennessee Titans	3	4	0
3. Jacksonville Jaguars	3	4	0
4. Indianapolis Colts	2	5	0

West

1. K.C. Chiefs	6	1	0
2. L.A. Chargers	5	2	0
3. Denver Broncos	3	4	0
4. Oakland Raiders	1	5	0

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East

1. Washington Redskins	4	2	0
2. Philadelphia Eagles	3	4	0
3. Dallas Cowboys	3	4	0
4. N.Y. Giants	1	6	0

North

1. Minnesota Vikings	4	2	1
2. G.B. Packers	3	2	1
3. Detroit Lions	3	3	0
4. Chicago Bears	3	3	0

South

1. New Orleans Saints	5	1	0
2. Carolina Panthers	4	2	0
3. TB Buccaneers	3	3	0
4. Atlanta Falcons	3	4	0

West

1. L.A. Rams	7	0	0
2. Seattle Seahawks	3	3	0
3. Arizona Cardinals	1	6	0
4. San Francisco 49ers	1	6	0

Coming up in the NFC North Sun., Oct. 28

- New York Jets at Chicago 1 PM CBC
- Seattle Seahawks at Detroit Lions 1 PM FOX
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- New Orleans Saints at Minnesota Vikings 8:20 PM

MLB standings

MLB Playoff Standings as of 10-16-18

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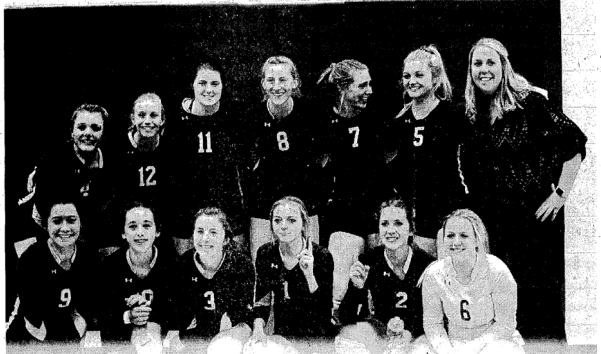
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Oct. 19	Dodgers 2 @ Brewers 7
Oct. 20	Dodgers 5 @ Brewers 1

Astros vs. Red Sox ALCS

Oct. 13	Astros 7 @ Red Sox 2
Oct. 14	Astros 5 @ Red Sox 7
Oct. 16	Red Sox 8 @ Astros 2
Oct. 17	Red Sox 8 @ Astros 6
Oct. 18	Red Sox 4 @ Astros 1

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Oct. 23	Dodgers 4 @ Red Sox 8
Oct. 24	Dodgers @ Red Sox 8:09 PM
Oct. 26	Red Sox @ Dodgers 8:09 PM
Oct. 27	Red Sox @ Dodgers 8:09 PM
Oct. 28	Red Sox @ Dodgers 8:15 PM
Oct. 30	Dodgers @ Red Sox 8:09 PM
Oct. 31	Dodgers @ Red Sox 8:09 PM



Meet your 2018 Mid-Peninsula Conference Champions. Pictured in front, from left: Abby Burnham, Madison Zellar, Erin LaBar, McKenna Chartier, Joslyn Muth, and Sydney Peterson. Back row: Jeannit Chartier, Brittney Bellville, Katelyn Arnold, Emilee McDaniel, Kayla Muth, Lenna Smith, and Manistique varsity Head Coach Amy Nixon.

WE ARE THE MID-PENINSULA CHAMPIONS

MANISTIQUE – To say the final games of the season have been exciting would be down playing the high-level activity on the court for the Manistique Emeralds' volleyball team. On the winning streak since the beginning of October, the Emeralds won their last three outings and took a Mid-Peninsula Conference Title.

This is the second title achievement for the volleyball team, which took the title in 2015.

Whether it was the energy derived from Homecoming week or the girls having unstoppable rhythm, the team secured their title last Thursday with a 3-2 win over the visitors from Gladstone. The Braves carried competition out five sets with match scores of 25-17, 25-11, 19-25, 20-25, and 15-11.

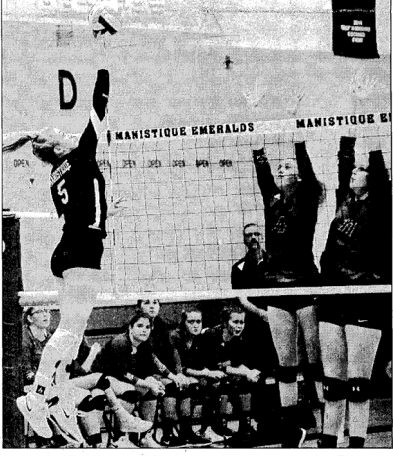
Accolades for the success of the team could also be attributed to Head Coach Amy Nixon, who received Coach of the Year honors as the Central Upper Peninsula league decided on all-conference team selections for the Mid Peninsula Conference.

Also receiving honors were Lenna Smith and Joslynn Muth, who made First Team.

Emilee McDaniel made Second Team.

Abby Burnham received Honorable Mention and Smith and Sydney Peterson were both selected for the All Defensive Team.

"This match was an exciting win for us," said Head Coach Amy Nixon. "We clinched first place in



Lenna Smith tips the ball back toward the Braves during Thursday night's conference win at home.

Niemela new swim coach for Emeralds

MANISTIQUE – Winter sports are quickly approaching and one of Manistique's former athletes will be back on deck to lead the Emeralds' swim and dive teams this season, which gets underway Nov. 5.

A 1998 Manistique High School graduate, Jennifer Niemela is no stranger to the pool. Niemela has been a member of a swim team since she was in fifth grade and continued her participation until she graduated. While competing, she broke school records many times, and was also named All U.P. She was an active participant in the CBC swim-a-thons setting a record her junior year for the most distance, tallying up 12 miles in laps.

Niemela said she looks to use her passion as a base to build this year's program.

"I have a deep love for swimming and a passion for the water that cannot be put into words," she said. "I am excited to work with the student-athletes and am looking forward to a productive and exciting year. Many changes are in store for us all, including getting to know one another and working together, but I have excitement at the core of all of those changes."

I am bringing my knowledge and love of the sport to the pool and am ready to carry it through to the athletes," she continued. "I am planning great workouts, fun workouts, instruction, team building and

Niemela
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Cross country season ends

MANISTIQUE – The Emerald cross country team wrapped up their 2018 competing in Division 2 of the 2018 MHSAA U.P. Cross Country Finals.

Taking first place was Uriah Aili, a senior from Wakefield-Marenisco/Bessemer, with a time of 17:02.5.

Second place went to his teammate, Devon Byers, with a time of 17:16.0. Third was filled by Spencer Groux of Ishpeming with a time of 17:33.9.

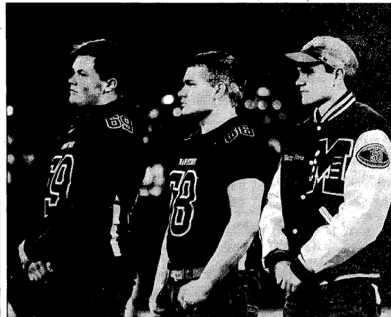
Manistique athlete Alex Misnikiewicz, a junior, took sixth place with a time of 18:02.5, which equated to a pace of 5:55.

Also competing for the boys were Mitchell Green and Darren Hicks.

For the girls, Elizabeth Becker of St. Ignace secured first place with a time of 20:46.0.

Second was achieved by Madeline Peramaki of Manistique with a time of 21:09.0. Emily Caring of Ironwood covered the same distance to take third in 21:17.9.

The Emeralds' Ashley McDonald took 22nd with a time of 23:50.1 for a pace of 7:41. Hannah Mackey also competed and finished.

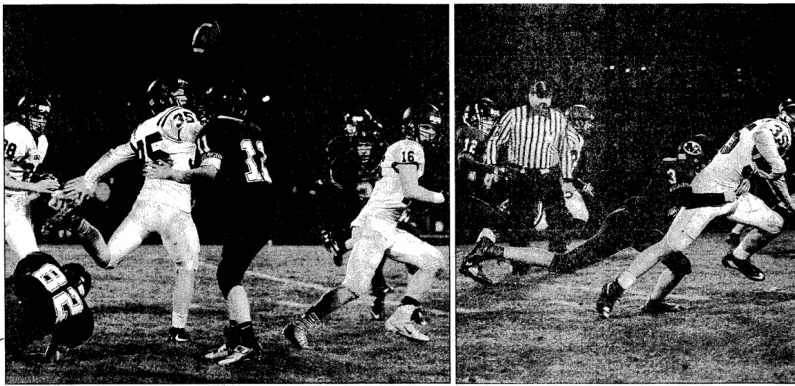


Senior recognition

Although the varsity football program was unable to complete their 2018 season, parents and fans took time prior to Friday night's Homecoming game to recognize this year's seniors. From left to right are: Levi Lakosky, Mason Santi, and Matthew Wood.

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A BATTLE AT HOME

A week of homecoming festivities came to an end Friday night at A.F. Hall Stadium. The fun was thanks in part to an cooperative effort by the school's administration and the Manistique Emerald junior varsity football team. Following the cancellation of the varsity football program earlier this year, caused by concerns over player safety, plans were developed to keep the long-standing homecoming traditions in place. After a parade through the downtown Manistique, the culmination of a challenging season played out on the Ronald Rubick Memorial field with Manistique taking on the Braves from Gladstone. In the end the Braves prevailed, defeating Manistique by the score of 17 to 12.

Katie Troyer photos

Hawks take second at 'Boo in the Soo'

MANISTIQUE - Although Manistique's hockey season hasn't officially begun, several area athletes have been fortunate enough to get some ice time prior to the start.

A group of local skaters, Carter LaVigne, Carsyn Hinkson, Austin Hinkson, Alex Noble, and Nick Desjardis, have been playing on an AA 12U hockey team out of Escanaba. The team is comprised of hockey players from Escanaba, Manistique, Iron Mountain, and Munising. The head coaches are Steve Hinkson of Manistique and Ken Schwalbach of Escanaba.

This past weekend the team participated in "The Boo in the Soo" tournament in Sault Ste. Marie and placed second.

The Escanaba Hawks beat the Macomb Mavericks Friday night 7-1. On Saturday, the Hawks continued their winning streak, beating the Lansing Spartans 5-0 and the Rockford Rams 3-2.

The wins qualified them for the championship game Sunday. The Hawks faced off against the Soo Lakers in the final game, taking second place in the 3-1 loss.

The Escanaba Hawks AA PeeWee team will be playing in Manistique at Little Bear West Aren Oct. 28. The Hawks will face off against Potoskey at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.



Photo courtesy of Hockey Weekly Action Photos

Escanaba Hawks' AA PeeWee (12U) Team placed second at The Boo in the Soo. Pictured from front, from left to right, are: Carter LaVigne, Zack Wirhanowicz, Nick Desjardis, Graham Johnson, Isaiah Boyce, Jaxon Buckley, Austin Hinkson, and Alex Noble. Back row: Coach Ken Schwalbach, Jacob Crookford, Jacob Powell, Gale Carter, Owen LaBonte, Alex Schwalbach, Nolan Bink, Carter Deatsman, Carsyn Hinkson, and Coach Steve Hinkson.

Emeralds' volleyball

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For the Emeralds, Abby Burnham finished the night with four serve receives, seven digs, two assists, five kill, and a block. Emilee McDaniel had an ace, three digs, and 26 kills.

Erin LaBar had two assists. Jeanni Chartier finished the night with two aces, a serve receive, 10 digs, and eight kills.

Joslyn Muth had three aces, nine digs, 42 assists, and four kills. Kayla Muth ended the night with two aces, seven digs, an assist, seven kills, and two blocks.

Lenna Smith had an ace, 25 serve receives, 26 digs, six kills, and a block.

Madison Zellar finished with an ace, eight serve receives, and 13

digs. McKenna Chartier had an ace, 16 serve receive, and three digs.

Sydney Peterson had 20 serve receives, 23 digs, and an assist.

Post-season tournaments will begin Monday when Manistique travels to Bark River Harris for a 7 p.m. game. If they win, they will take on the Patriots in Westwood Oct. 31. The final district game will be played Nov. 1 in Manistique at 7 p.m.

Manistique will wrap up their regular season tonight at home hosting the Big Bay de Noc Black Bears. Game time is set for 6:30 p.m. Senior night recognition will take place at approximately 6:05 p.m. prior to the game.

Niemela

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things I haven't even thought of yet. Swim and dive is a long season, but it is a fun season with plenty of opportunities to show personal and team improvements. I am confident that together as a team we can accomplish great things. Our season will begin Nov 5 and we currently have a team interest of only 16 (13 girls and three boys), nine of those are returning athletes. I would love to see those

numbers increase and am hopeful that some other students find an interest and give the swim and dive team a try. We will always welcome new faces and welcome everyone to join the team.

Niemela is married and has two sons attending Manistique Middle and High School and one who has graduated. She also has a stepson and stepdaughter who live in Marquette.

Football playoffs set

EAST LANSING - Pairings for the 2018 MHSAA Football Playoffs, will begin with Pre-districts in the 11-Player Playoffs and Pre-Regionals in the 8-Player Playoffs, Oct. 26-27.

Qualifying teams for the 11-Player Playoffs were divided into Districts of four teams each, and then paired into four Regions. Pairings for the first three weeks of the tournament are based on regular-season playoff point averages, with the highest-ranked team hosting, regardless of the distance between the two schools.

For pre-district play, the first-place team in each District will host the

fourth-place team; and the second place team will host the third ranked team.

The weekend of Nov. 2-3 will have District Finals in the 11-Player Playoffs and Regional Finals in the 8-Player Playoffs; at the site of the highest ranked team which was victorious in the previous round of play.

Regional Finals in 11-Player will take place Nov. 9-10, as will 8-Player Playoff Semifinals.

Finals for 11-Player will take place at Ford Field on Nov. 17. Finals for 8-Player will be played in the Superior Dome in Marquette that day also.

Well, we are sure into that period of the year when you have no idea how to dress when you get set to go out into the woods. You can count on either ending up being too warm as the weather warms up. Or if you dress for rain the sun comes out but if you don't, guess what you end up with? I guess it is what you have to get used to up here in the U.P.

I ran into a real shock out in the woods the other day! Here I have gone all fall without seeing a grouse when right in front of me was a whole covey of them. It has been years since I have run into more than one or two at a time. Then here right in front of me were six pats all at once and the best was yet to come. Usually when I see a pat he is in full flight off into the great unknown before this old fossil can make his move. But on this day would you believe three remained on the ground while the other three just hopped up into the trees right in front of me. It was a perfect situation for any grouse hunter.

But then I had to just watch because I had not seen a covey in years and these were the first pats I have seen so I figured I would let them continue on with life while I headed to camp.

The deer are on the move with the weather we have had so as you drive around, be aware and on the lookout for them. Needless to say you usually see them when you least expect them. Well, I warned you a number of times in my article that it was coming and it was only a matter of time and now it has arrived. I told you when the DNR gets done, hunting as we know and enjoy it will be done and there is really no reason for it from what I have heard and read.

As most of you know I traveled all over and attended some of the biggest hunting and fishing shows there is in my travels. In fact, I was at the Deer and Turkey Expo when CWD was found in Wisconsin. In fact, I hunted in some of the areas where they found CWD for a num-

ber of years. From what I have heard in my travels and talking to people from out west where they have had a CWD problem for years there are some interesting things I learned and the following is my opinion from these meetings.

First and one important fact is that CWD is nothing new and has been around for years. But for years there was not the technology to test for CWD like there is today. So with this in mind, a lot of hunters feel it was just a matter of time if there were enough deer checked CWD would be found in one. It is like so many things in life where if CWD is out there and you test enough deer you will eventually find a deer with CWD. In other words with all the deer there are in Michigan there are bound to be some with a disease.

It is no different than all the diseases we now have in our forest or all the diseases that are turning up

in fish in our state. The question is how are those making the decisions going to react to this problem.

There is no doubt in a lot of hunters mind that the DNR always hated the fact that hunters were using bait to hunt deer. With this in mind it is felt they were always looking for a way in their mind where they could outlaw baiting for deer. Now by finding CWD in a deer in the U.P. they have found the perfect storm to justify what their goal was all the time. You have to remember one thing, most "experts" may have gone to different schools but in a lot of cases they used the same text books when being taught. This means they can have tunnel vision when looking into a problem with people in the same field.

As I have said many times and

this once again proves my saying where I am sure glad I am at this time of life because as I always say, I feel I have lived at the tail end of the best times to be a Yoooper. I say this because I do not see anything good coming from the DNR and this

CWD problem as to how it will affect hunting as we know it up here in God's Country.

I will close with this; it used to be that the Natural Resource Commission had a cross section of people on it. Now it seems if you are not a

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Emerald Elementary Exceptional Explorers for the week of Oct. 8 were, pictured from left, from left to right: Grace Putman, first grade; Emmalyn Davis, kindergarten; and David Hytinen, second grade. Pictured at right: Ella Henry, fifth grade; Briseis Seeley, fourth grade; and Tanya Rodman, third grade.



Deer tests CWD positive in UP

LANSING — A four-year-old doe killed on a deer damage shooting permit in Dickinson County's Waucedah Township has tested positive for chronic wasting disease, marking the first confirmation of the incurable deer disease within Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

The finding was verified by Michigan State University's Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in East Lansing and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Veterinary Services Laboratory in Ames, Iowa.

The deer was shot on an agricultural farm about 4 miles from the Michigan-Wisconsin border.

"We remain committed to maintaining healthy Michigan wildlife for the residents of, and visitors to, this great state, now and into the future," said Michigan Department of Natural Resources Director Keith Cragh.

"Fortunately, over the past few years, with the help of hunters, the U.P. CWD Task Force, DNR staffers and others, we are far better prepared to respond to threats posed by chronic wasting disease in the U.P."

Chronic wasting disease is a fatal nervous system disease found in deer, moose and elk. The disease attacks the brain of infected animals, creating small lesions, which result in neurologic symptoms. The disease is always fatal in animals that contract it.

To date, there have been no reported cases of CWD infection in humans.

"We are taking immediate

action to address this situation in the Upper Peninsula. In the short term, stepped-up testing and active surveillance is the priority to better understand where the disease exists," said Russ Mason, chief of the DNR's Wildlife Division. "To do this, we need to step up our efforts to collect deer heads for testing in this area. We need to determine if this deer is an individual outlier or whether there are more deer infected in the area."

The DNR has tested hundreds of deer from Upper Peninsula counties bordering Wisconsin. This year alone (as of Oct. 11) a total of 625 deer-damage permit, roadkill and hunter-killed deer have been tested from Dickinson, Gogebic, Menominee and Iron counties.

"It was our surveillance efforts that revealed the disease in this particular deer," said Kelly Straka, state wildlife veterinarian. "It is now especially important that these efforts continue."

Chronic wasting disease has been found in free-ranging deer in six additional counties in Michigan — Clinton, Ingham, Ionia, Jackson, Kent and Montcalm. A total of 63 deer within these counties have tested positive for the disease.

The DNR recognizes that deer movements, densities and habitat vary from the U.P. into the Lower Peninsula. DNR officials will review Michigan's CWD Surveillance and Response Plan and the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies' CWD Best Management Practices in considering additional measures going forward.

"For next hunting season and beyond, the DNR will discuss possible response actions with U.P. hunters and other stakeholders to determine the best approach to fighting CWD in the region," said Chad Stewart, DNR deer management specialist.

A roughly 10-mile core area has been set up, centered on Waucedah Township. Within this area, the DNR has set a goal to test a minimum of 600 deer to better determine the extent of possibly infected deer.

"We need hunters to help us reach this goal, by voluntarily submitting entire deer heads for testing. Hunters can keep the venison," Mason said. "At this point, we are not establishing a mandatory deer check in the area, but that may become necessary, if we don't reach our goal."

Several actions will be taken by the DNR including:

• Providing additional drop boxes for deer heads within the area, especially in convenient, high-traffic places.

• Offering disease control permits to interested landowners who have more than 5-acres of land and are within 5-miles of the center of the surveillance area.

• Allowing baiting for deer to continue for the rest of this year. Future decisions on feeding deer will be based on the results of the surveillance efforts.

An ongoing DNR U.P. deer migration study will be adjusted to include the affected area within its boundaries. Deer will be collared in the area to better understand the movements of deer.

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