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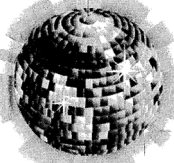
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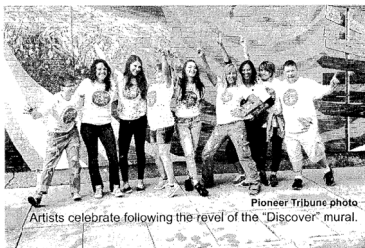
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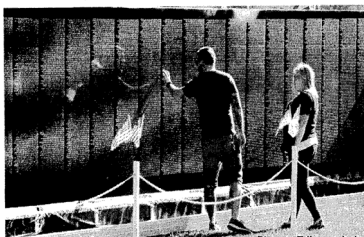


Pioneer Tribune photo
Artists celebrate following the reveal of the "Discover" mural.

1. A grant from the Svelat Foundation, as well as one from Central Upper Peninsula Planning and Development, funded Manistigue's first mural on Oak Street. With the assistance of Mia Tavonatti, designer and lead artist of the Power of Words Project mural, visiting and local artists spent a month completing the work of art, which was revealed Aug. 6. Prominent features of the mural include: a depiction of the Manistigue East Breakwater Lighthouse, Kitch-iti-kiipi, Sency National Wildlife Refuge, the Lake Michigan shoreline, the Manistigue boardwalk, the historic Manistigue water tower, the Manistigue River, and the all-encompassing rings, which represent tree rings – a nod to Manistigue's logging history. Tavonatti introduced her team of visiting professional artists: her sister, Tara Tavonatti; Casey Hoaglund; and Sky Black, all of whom worked with Tavonatti on previous murals.

Local artists included: Casey Hinkson, Carrie Lambert, Ryan Gilroy, and Sara Bagley. Student scholarship artists were: Georgia Johnson, Ava Curran, and Lila MacKinnon.

2. On the Nov. 6 General Election ballot, voters were asked to approve an up to three mill levy on property taxes for a period of 20 years to fund the construction, operation, furnishing and equipping of a new Schoolcraft County Jail, as well as the continuation of the sheriff's road patrol. The current jail was built in 1957 as a home for the sheriff and a small lock-up. The request was intended to fund the \$7.1 million renovation of the former armory building on New Elm Street and provide an additional \$899,000 to construct a holding area at the Schoolcraft County Courthouse for inmates being transported to court hearings. Schoolcraft County voters, with a 57 percent voter turnout, and cast 1,942 votes against the millage; 1,835 votes were cast in favor of the millage. Following the election, Schoolcraft County Commissioner Dan Hoholik said future options for the jail could include cutting services to support the jail or closing the jail and constructing a 72-hour holding facility.



Pioneer Tribune photo
A visitor touches the Vietnam Moving Memorial Wall in August.

3. The Manistigue Recreation Department and the Schoolcraft County Veterans Affairs Board brought the Vietnam Moving Memorial Wall to Manistigue Aug. 2-6. The wall, a half-size replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., has been touring the country for 34 years, commemorating those killed in or missing as the result of the Vietnam War. The wall was available for viewing 24 hours per day in the Manistigue Marina.

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A PARK IN PROGRESS



City council approves grant agreement with state for park

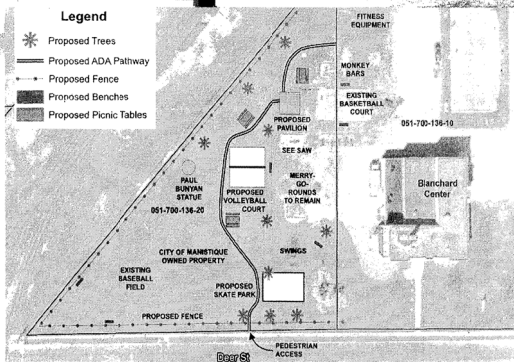
MANISTIQUE – The Blanchard Paul Bunyan Park Project is moving forward, with Manistigue City Council approving the \$150,000 grant agreement with the state. The action was taken during last Wednesday's regular meeting.

In January 2018, it was announced that the Manistigue Recreation Department had been awarded a \$150,000 Michigan Department of Natural Resources Land and Water Conservation Fund grant to help fund the creation of the Blanchard Paul Bunyan Park. The park will be located adjacent to the Habitat for Humanity – Hiawathaland building.

Manistigue's \$150,000 grant award will assist in funding the development of the park's pavilion, skate park, volleyball court, access paths, and site amenities. The park currently boasts swings, merry-go-rounds, a t-ball field, and benches that will remain. All other playground equipment will be removed.

The scope and cost estimates of the project includes: a skate park, \$80,000; fencing, \$30,000; picnic tables, \$3,000; a pavilion, \$50,000; volleyball court, \$5,000; benches, \$2,000; signage, \$5,000; lighting, \$30,000; ADA-approved access pathway, \$40,000; landscaping, \$13,000; and a security camera, \$2,000. Along with permit fees and engineering costs, the total for the park project is estimated to be \$300,000.

During last week's meeting, City Manager Sheila Aldrich explained acceptance of the



Pioneer Tribune photo/courtesy graphic
Pictured at top, the location where the Blanchard Paul Bunyan Park will be further developed has new additions, courtesy the Manistigue Elks Lodge No. 632. Above, a Coleman Engineering rendering shows preliminary plans for the park.

grant agreement was yet another step in a lengthy process. "This is the first step for our Blanchard Paul Bunyan Park," she said. "We have to sign the agreement with the state and then it gives the time line, it talks about the amount, it pretty much covers the project. It's our agreement with the state, and the engineers will work with us now to get the design in place, and then once

the design is in place, that will come before council and we'll send that on to the state – they'll have to approve it.

This just follows the project through ... it shows you that it's a lengthy process – you

Park project

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Residents face felony charges for incident

MANISTIQUE – Several individuals from Manistigue and Newberry are facing numerous felony charges relating to an incident that occurred in late November.

Dewey Jon-Delmer Plumb, 25, of 722 Manistigue Ave., Manistigue, was arraigned in 93rd District Court Dec. 21 on one count of home invasion – first degree, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$5,000; one count of larceny by stealing firearm of another person, a felony punishable by up to five years in prison and/or a \$2,500 fine; one count of larceny in a building, a felony punishable

by up to four years in prison; and one count of carrying or possessing firearm when committing or attempting to commit felony, a felony charge which carries a mandatory two year prison term.

Judge Mark E. Luoma set Plumb's bond at \$250,000 cash or surety.

Kayla Mae Beasinger, 19, of 209 John St., Newberry, was arraigned Dec. 17 on one count of home invasion – second degree, a felony punishable by up to 15 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$3,000; and one count of larceny by stealing firearm of another person, a felony punishable by up to five years in

prison and/or a \$2,500 fine.

Judge Mark E. Luoma set Beasinger's bond at \$100,000 cash or surety. She is scheduled to appear for a preliminary examination Jan. 23 at 11 a.m.

Austin Keith Wakefield, 20, of 209 Pearl St., Manistigue, was arraigned Dec. 10 on one count of stolen property – receive or conceal less than \$1,000-20,000 – a felony punishable by up to five years imprisonment and/or a fine of not more than \$10,000 or three times the value of the property purchased, received, possessed, or concealed, whichever is greater. Wakefield is scheduled for a

preliminary examination Jan. 7 at 11:30 a.m.

Cody Lee Strother, 23, of 209 Pearl St., Manistigue, was arraigned Dec. 10 on one count of home invasion – second degree, a felony punishable by up to 15 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$3,000; and one count of one count of larceny by stealing firearm of another person, a felony punishable by up to five years in prison and/or a \$2,500 fine.

Strother is scheduled to appear

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Whitmer signs first Executive Directive to protect residents

LANSING — On Wednesday, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signed the first Executive Directive of her administration, Executive Directive 2019-1, to ensure any imminent threat to public health, safety or welfare is immediately reported, assessed, and investigated by department employees, department directors, and agency heads.

"As governor, one of my principal duties is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of all Michigan residents," said Whitmer. "I am confident that the cabinet I have assembled will put Michiganders first, encourage and empower state employees to speak up if they believe there is a threat to public health and safety, and act promptly on any concerns with my chief compliance officer. This

executive directive will ensure that our government works for the people of our state."

"The people of Michigan deserve peace of mind that their government is working to protect them," said Liesl Clark, director of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. "I am committed to having an open-door policy, listening actively, empowering employees to speak up, and reassuring them that they have protections under the law if they believe there are threats to public health and safety. I look forward to working with Governor Whitmer as we build a state government that puts Michiganders first."

Under the directive, department employees who become aware of an imminent threat to the public

health, safety, or welfare must immediately report it to their department director or agency head. If department directors/agency heads determine there is an imminent threat, they must eliminate or mitigate it if they have the resources to do so, and if they don't, they must notify the governor's chief compliance officer and request assistance. If a department director/agency head determines that there is no threat to public health, safety or welfare, they must report the reasons for that determination to the governor's chief compliance officer.

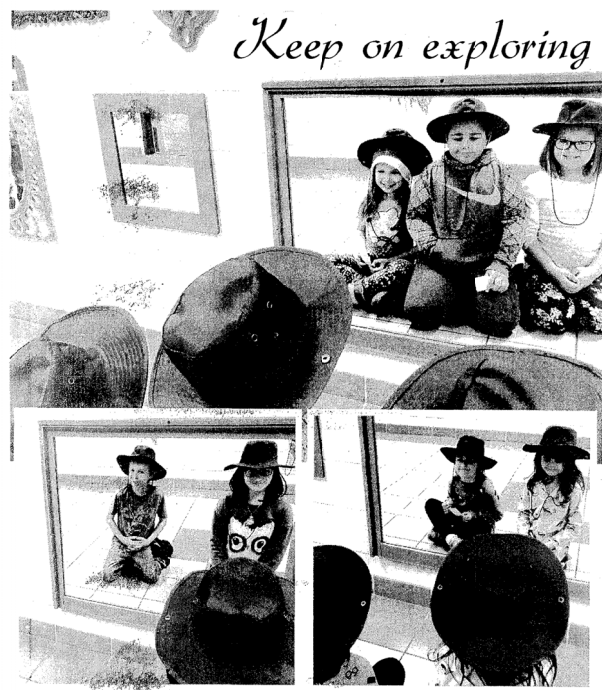
Information related to any threat to Michiganders health, safety, or

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Flashback



Pioneer Tribune Archive photo from the Jan. 12, 1984 edition, Dana Gould, Manistique High School majorette, is shown teaching an admiring group of girls the way to handle a baton. Majorettes Jeannie Norton, Wendy Mifer, and Debbie Gould are also teaching classes, which will be held for eight weeks. The students will perform Feb. 10 during the halftime of the Manistique-Iron Mountain basketball game.



Courtesy photos Emerald Elementary Exceptional Explorers for the week of Dec. 17 were, at top, from left to right: Bailee Jackson, first grade; JeMearious Phelps, second grade; and Rylee Hinkley, third grade. Above, left: Jason Martz, fourth grade and Katya VanDyck, fifth grade. Above, right: Skylar Obrest, preschool and Aubree Brown, kindergarten.

Dear Editor,
Several weeks ago I had the honor of participating in the local Christmas with a Cop event. My new young friend and I had a wonderful time together.

We had the opportunity to get acquainted over a delicious breakfast provided at no cost to all participants.

Tom and Brenda Smith, owners of Three Seasons Restaurant, served some delicious chocolate chip pancakes. They also gave gifts to the children. New winter hats, gloves, mittens and toys.

All were generously given out to all the children.

Please continue to support this great event. The next time you are enjoying a meal at Three Seasons Restaurant, please let Tom and Brenda know their participation in the Christmas with a Cop program is greatly appreciated.

Darrell L. Dixon,

Letters to the Editor

Schoolcraft County undersheriff

Dear Editor,

Our country cannot be a great nation without its leaders trying to meet the needs of the majority and being allowed to do so. When certain leaders in our government hinder the needs of the majority to be met, the freedom of our country is being compromised.

Political correctness has no place in the running of a nation in many areas. It is used as a lie designed to obstruct the freedom of the majority. Common sense reveals that need for our country's borders to be protected through any means at our disposal.

No evil, political agenda carries any justification for the preventing

of such protection for the people of a nation. An arm of giving can only reach so far.

In some areas it becomes more hurtful to give than to refrain from giving. Our country has given more than its share to other nations.

It is time now to require more fair treatment for our country by other nations. We have seen our country losing its ability to be a great nation.

Over the centuries we have been blessed us mightily. We are not blessed with leadership in our government that is working to try to protect us from harm.

We need to support our leadership rather than to criticize, and/or work against it.

Ron and Carolyn Palmer
Cooks

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The Archives

This week in the Pioneer Tribune

50 years ago

January 2, 1969

An organizational meeting for the new Schoolcraft County Board of Supervisors will be held Friday at 10 a.m. in the courthouse. Attending their first meeting will be Thurman Skarritt, Sr., Lindsley B. Frenette, Russell A. Tonnant, Ernest Hoholik, Homer J. Weber, Norman W. Jahn and Edward Joregenson. All were elected Nov. 5 to replace the former board, which consisted of township supervisors plus the city council. County Clerk Fred Lesica said that in addition to naming a new chairman, the board members may also visit all county departments and agencies and get acquainted with county employees.

Three nativity scenes took the top prizes in the annual Joyce Christmas outdoor lighting contest this year. Top prize went to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weber, 324 S. Maple St.; second place went to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Malette, 507 Manistique Ave.; and third place to Rev. and Mrs. Theodore Doane, 190 N. Cedar St. The judges also gave honorable mentions to: Dean Deloria, 310 Chip-pewa Ave.; Mrs. Dorothy Shipman, 412 Walnut St.; Mrs. Austin Diller, 195 N. Cedar St.; Napoleon LaVake, 318 Schoolcraft Ave.; J. Clarence Peterson, 710 Oak St.; Gilbert Berwin, 719 Arbutus Ave.; William Males, 107 Lake St.; C. L. Novak, Gero Ave.; Lou Conrad, 606 Range St.

Jim Brulla, 411 Center St.; and Rev. Roy Pitts, 315 Walnut St. Special commendation was given to the new city lighting of the retail division of the Top O' Lake Michigan Chamber of Commerce; the decorating at the high school and library; and the courthouse. Judging was based on theme, originality of design, suitability of display to the home, color composition and lighting effects, and overall impression.

Dr. Duane Waters of Manistique has been re-appointed to another four year term on the Michigan Department of Correction, it was announced last week. It will be Dr. Waters' second term on the commission, which administers Michigan's adult prison, probation and parole systems. The appointments are made by the governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate. Dr. Waters' term will expire Dec. 31, 1972.

Sp. 5 George Rubick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Rubick, Sr., 540 Cherry St., was awarded the Army Commendation Medal Dec. 16 for "meritorious services" between December 1967, and December 1968. Rubick a '961 graduate of Manistique High School and a 1966 graduate of Michigan State University, has been discharged from service after duty at: Ft. George Meade, Md., where he served as assistant to the Chief of Protocol.

35 years ago

January 5, 1984

Schoolcraft County was only one vote away from having the first woman chairperson of the county board of commissioners at the board's organizational meeting Tuesday night. Lindsley Frenette, chairperson of the board last year, and Commissioner Nancy Veresan were nominated by the five member board. By a three to two secret ballot Frenette was reelected. Louis Lauzon was unanimously reelected to the position of vice-chairperson.

Leta Mac Gilroy surrounded by her co-workers says good-bye to the Schoolcraft County Courthouse after working there for 26 years. Gilroy retired as Deputy County Clerk on Dec. 29, 1983. Sigrid Doyle, former secretary to the prosecuting attorney, has been appointed to Gilroy's position. Co-workers who hosted a luncheon last Thursday are Barbara Archambeau, Cindy Nelson, Terri Evinich, Shirley Graphos, Mary Lee Desjardens and Debbie Lesica.

If you see a high school student with purple and green hair or one dressed like a "total nerd," don't call the principal. Next week Manistique High School is celebrating the first Winter Sports Festival. "We want to create a homecoming atmosphere for all of the winter sports," said Jeany Godlewski, vice-president of the Student Council, which is sponsoring the event. Students are being asked to dress according to a different theme each day next week. The week of January 9-13 was selected because all three winter sports have events at home. The swim team has meets on Tuesday and Thursday against Marquette and Gwinna. Wrestlers will take the mats against Manistique and Thursday. The boys' basketball game with Norway will close the week's events. The king and queen will be announced at a pep assembly on Monday at 2 p.m. so they will be able to begin over the entire week's activities. In addition to the traditional senior royalty, there will be a prince and princess selected from each of the other classes.

20 years ago

January 7, 1999

The 1999 Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners consists of Pat Rodman, Ernest Hoholik, Kim Mercier-Mosley, Lindsley Frenette and Keith Aldrich. Other elected officials are Peter Hollenbeck, prosecuting attorney; Sigrid Hedberg, county clerk; Terri Evinich, county treasurer; and Gary Maddox, county sheriff.

Laura Winkler of Manistique and Kimberly Abram of Engadine are among the area student-athletes who have applied for the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Award. The program, which has been recognizing student-athletes since the 1989-90 school year, honors 24 individuals, one in each sport that has a MHSAA-sponsored post season tournament. Both

Winkler and Abram were nominated as girls basketball players by their high school. A total of 2,784 student-athletes applied for the award. To be eligible, students must have a grade-point average of 3.5 or better and have previously won a varsity letter in the sport for which they are applying. Students also are asked to show their involvement in other school and community activities. Finalists for the scholarships will be announced by Jan. 29.

The Manistique Community Schools, through a grant received from the Schoolcraft County Family Coordinating Council, will offer 12 weeks of free open gym use and free swimming. These weekly sessions begin Sunday, Jan. 10, and will be held each Sunday for the next 12 weeks.

10 years ago

January 8, 2009

A 13-year-old Cooks girl got an early Christmas present and an apparent state record when she bagged a huge bull elk. Courtney Williams, daughter of Craig and Alicia Williams, claimed her trophy while hunting in downstate Cheboygan County during the early daylight hours of Tuesday, Dec. 23. At this point, it seems almost certain that the animal, which dressed out at 640 pounds, will set the new Michigan record for a typical bull elk. The animal's rack earned a "green score" of 383 inches. The official score will be taken after a mandatory 60-day dry-

ing period. It's expected that the rack will shrink some 10 inches during that time - but even that would leave it well beyond the previous state record of 349 2/8 inches, from an animal harvested in Presque Isle County in 1998. As of now, Williams' elk outscorcs all of the state's nine elk records, including those for non-typical bulls.

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners Monday recognized four long-time officials who are departing this week, include Undersheriff Mike Gray, who leaves office after 35 years; retiring sheriff Gary Maddox, and Commissioners Louis Lauzon and Keith Aldrich.



Let's hear it for the band

Courtesy photos

Students of Manistique Area Schools' band program have been active in the past few weeks. Some of the highlights include: at top, the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association's Districts 13 and 14 held their annual U.P. Honors Band at Northern Michigan University. The program included top band students from 20 different Upper Peninsula schools. Manistique was represented by three students who earned positions in the group based on their experience and recorded auditions. Those students, pictured at left, in the middle, were Kendra Courmaya on trumpet, Darren Hicks on percussion, and Catherine King on French horn, on Dec. 2, two Manistique band students participated in an annual event called TubaChristmas. TubaChristmas events are held across the globe each year and feature musicians playing carols on tubas and euphoniums. The event was held as part of the Engadine Christmas Bazaar. Students who were part of the event were Hannah Brewster and Alexis Phillips, along with their director, Jeremy Connin. Two events were held Dec. 12, the first was a retired teacher personnel luncheon, pictured above right, where seven high school band students performed some carols. The students who were involved included: Kendra Courmaya, Lila MacKinnon, Gale Dykes, Catherine King, Nisa Hernandez, Abigail Burnham, and Jena Osterhout; the second event held that day was the band's Christmas concert, featuring all band students, grades sixth through 12th; the high school pep band above left, performed Dec. 13 at the girls' varsity basketball game. This was the first game featuring new pep band shirts purchased by the Manistique Lions Club. Yearly donations from the Lions Club, and other band sponsors, help the band program to maintain equipment, send students to band camp, and much more. The complete list of band sponsors include: Dr. Kristin Hieshetter, Dr. Peter Jacobs and Staff, Good Life Constructive Therapies, Maline Family Chiropractic, Manistique Elks Lodge, Manistique Lions Club, mBank, Savings Insurance Agency, Schone's Chiropractic, Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital, State Savings Bank, Superior State Agency, Thompson Veterinary Clinic, and The Upper Crust.

Treasury warns of tax season-based scams

LANSING — As the state of Michigan begins a new year and the state income tax filing season approaches, the Michigan Department of Treasury is asking taxpayers to resolve to be ready for tax scams in 2019.

Cybercriminals typically increase their activity in the first part of the year through phone scams and email phishing schemes. These scammers try to obtain personal information using different tricks and tactics so they can file income tax returns and claim refunds on behalf of unsuspecting taxpayers.

Some scammers may also allege a taxpayer owes taxes and aggressively demand payment for a quick payout.

“Taxpayers need to be extra alert for possible scams and schemes during this time of year and throughout the income tax filing

season,” said Deputy State Treasurer Glenn White, head of Treasury's Tax Administration Group. “When taxpayers proactively look for scams, they are less likely to be a victim of a tax-related identity theft and other cybercriminal activities.”

Treasury will never: Initiate a phone call or email to ask for personal information.

Call or email to demand immediate payment using a specific payment method, such as a prepaid debit card, gift card or wire transfer. Generally, Treasury will first send a bill through the U.S. mail to any taxpayer who owes taxes.

Threaten to immediately bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have the taxpayer arrested for not paying.

Demand that taxes be paid without giving the taxpayer the oppor-

tunity to question or appeal the amount owed.

Ask for credit or debit card numbers or the phone.

Cybercriminals often alter caller ID numbers and emails to make it look like the state Treasury Department, the Internal Revenue Service or another official agency is contacting a taxpayer. Scammers may use employee titles, a person's name, address and other personal information to sound official.

Taxpayers who are contacted by a scammer should immediately cease the call or delete the email.

Since 2016, the state Treasury Department's increased security measures protected more than 4,500 taxpayers who confirmed their identity was stolen and used to request state of Michigan income tax refunds. This prevented more than \$19 million from being distributed to scammers.

Taxpayers who have received a call or email from a scammer should report the case to the IRS through the web or by calling 800-366-4484. To learn more about tax-related identity theft, go to www.michigan.gov/identitytheft.

Mackinaw City gears up for 26th Winterfest

MACKINAW CITY — The 26th annual Winterfest, hosted by the Mackinaw Area Visitors Bureau in collaboration with the Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors, will take place Jan. 18-19. Participants this year will find an ice fishing tournament, sleigh wagon rides, a new senior citizen art show and sale, poker walk, the Escape Room at the Mackinaw City Public Library, s'mores at Mystery Town USA, a chili cook-off, euchre tournament, free hot cocoa, Mackinaw City Art Exhibit, and the culminating event, the Pepsi International Outhouse Race.

Friday afternoon enjoy a free hot cocoa at Audie's with the purchase of a Winterfest Button (available all day Friday or Saturday) and head down for the Artists Reception at The Mackinaw City Art Exhibit. This annual exhibit features area artists displayed at Mackinaw Clothing sponsored by the Mackinaw City Area Arts Council. A wide variety of media will be displayed including: watercolors, oil paintings, woodcarvings, photography, jewelry and more. An opening reception and meet the Artists will take place from 3 p.m.-

5 p.m. Jan. 18. The exhibit will continue Saturday from 10-5 p.m.

Saturday's events begin at 10 a.m. Win prizes from area businesses by picking up a game sheet and participating in the Poker Walk, which begins at BC Pizza. Forms can be picked up at 10 a.m. and must be back by 1:15 p.m. Winning hands and prizes are announced at 1:30 p.m.

The Escape Room, hosted by the Mackinaw Area Public Library, will take place from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Call (231) 436-5451 for Friday hours. Sleigh/wagon rides will be boarding just outside Marshall's Fudge on Central Avenue from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Various restaurants and bars are offering Winterfest specials and/or entertainment through the weekend.

Winter games for kids and adults are a tradition at the Marina Lawn (adjacent to Shepler's) and head down for s'mores at Mystery Town, USA. Games and s'mores available from 12-2 p.m.

The Wawatam Senior Center's

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Directive

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welfare must be reported objectively and promptly to eliminate any attempt to thwart discovery or obscure or discolor facts. If a department director/agency head believes that a threat is not being addressed adequately, they must share their concerns directly

with the Governor. Department directors/agency heads must also attempt to thwart discovery of applicable protections under the Whistleblowers' Protection Act and the Whistleblower provisions of the Michigan Civil Service Commission Rules.

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News Briefs

Nahma Sing Off will benefit restoration project

NAHMA – The third annual Sing Off is scheduled for Jan. 19 at the Nahma Inn. The competition gets underway at 7 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third places. Singer registration is \$10 and payable by 6:30 p.m. that day. Participants must be 18 years of age

and have their own professional karaoke CDG with just music. Interested contestants may also contact (906) 474-6109 or (906) 644-2478 to sign up. The event is sponsored by the Isabella Community Hall Committee for ongoing hall restoration projects.

Eight waterways selected as state 'water trails'

LANSING – Eight waterways totaling 540-plus miles that flow through more than a dozen counties have been selected as the first state-designated water trails in Michigan, the Department of Natural Resources announced recently.

The DNR and the Office of the Great Lakes partnered on the effort to finalize this first round of designations, which includes:

Central River Raisin Water Trail, 11 miles in Monroe County.

Chain of Lakes Water Trail, more than 80 miles in Antrim and Kalkaska counties.

Huron River Water Trail, 104 miles in Livingston, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties.

Island Loop Route, 10 miles in St. Clair County.

Flint River Trail, 72 miles in Genesee and Lapeer counties.

Middle Grand River Water Trail, 87 miles in Clinton, Eaton, Ingham and Ionia counties.

Shiawassee River Trail, 88 miles in Genesee, Oakland, Saginaw and Shiawassee counties.

Upper Grand River Water Trail, 91 miles in Eaton, Ingham and Jackson counties.

A water trail is a designated route on a navigable waterway such as

a lake, river, canal or bay, that is designed and managed to create a positive outdoor recreation experience for the user. Water trails feature well-developed access points, often are near significant historical, environmental or cultural points of interest and often have nearby amenities like restaurants, hotels and campgrounds.

"Water trails naturally are an increasing trend in Michigan and throughout the country, as interest in paddle sports and other water-based recreation continues to grow," said DNR Parks and Recreation Chief Ron Olson. "We are pleased to help advance these opportunities by recognizing model public water trails that set the standard for future of Michigan's water trails program."

Michigan has more miles of Great Lakes coastline than any other state and thousands of miles of rivers and streams.

Recreation cuttings for the newly designated water trails will take place during the 2019 paddling season. Watch michigan.gov/dnr/trails for more information, which will be provided early in 2019, on the application process for next year's designations.

Governor requests legal review of Line 5 law

LANSING – Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has requested a legal opinion from Attorney General Dana Nessel regarding the constitutionality of the recent Enbridge Line 5 pipeline legislation and the new Mackinac Straits Corridor Authority created by outgoing governor, Rick Snyder.

"Resolving any legal uncertainty regarding PA 359, the Mackinac

Straits Corridor Authority and action taken by the authority is necessary to assure that we can take all action necessary to protect the Great Lakes, protect our drinking water and protect Michigan jobs," Whitmer said. "I pledged to take action on the Line 5 pipeline on day one as governor, and I am holding true to that campaign promise."

Winterfest

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Senior Art Show and Sale is new to Winterfest this year. Artwork from area seniors will be on display and available for purchase at the Lions Club Building, 205 Cedar St. from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday.

The Ambassadors' Famous Chili Cook-Off competition begins at 11:00 a.m. and runs until 1 p.m. at Mama Mia's Pizza on Central Ave. Testing and people's choice awards require a \$3 Winterfest Button.

The Winterfest Euchre Tournament from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. has a \$5 entry fee with a Winterfest button. The action takes place at the Lions Club Building, 205 Cedar St. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. Must be 18 years or older to participate.

Weather and snow permitting the Mackinaw City Fourth Grade Snow Sculptures will be on display Jan. 19 on the marina lawn to enjoy throughout the festivities.

The Paradise Lake Ice Fishing Contest, sponsored by the Para-

dise Lake Association will be held on Jan. 19 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Headquarters for the contest is the Paradise Lake Marina. Registration forms can be printed at the Paradise Lake Association website www.paradiselakeassociation.org.

The Mackinaw Pepsi International Outhouse Race is Saturday Jan. 18. The event takes place next to the Dixie Saloon in the Shepler's Ferry Lot along Lake Huron. Races start at 2 p.m. with a parade of outhouses preceding the competition. G-man Entertainment will be on location with commentary and music. The event is free to the public and is comical entertainment for the whole family. For more information on this event or to enter a team, visit www.mackinawouthouserace.com.

For more information and a complete schedule of Mackinaw City Winterfest events, visit: www.mackinawcity.com, www.mackinawchamber.com, or www.mackinawouthouserace.com.

Patricia D. Banks



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COOKS – Patricia Dorlene Banks, 82 of Cooks, Mich., passed away peacefully in her home on Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018, with her loving family by her side.

Patricia was born Jan. 17, 1936, to Harry and Meriam (Bernheisel) Murray in Dayton, Ohio. She was the couple's first-born child, who was later joined by

one brother Gary and one sister Pamela. She attended high school in Brookville, Ohio and worked briefly as a custodian at the University of Dayton. On Aug. 7, 1957, she married Herbert Clayton Banks in Indiana. After marriage, Patricia was a career mother and homemaker, raising her four children in Dayton before moving to Cooks in 1991. She lived in their home for the remainder of her years, surrounded by friends and family.

Patricia enjoyed vacationing in Gulliver, Mich., during her younger years, where she and her family spent their time fishing. She also enjoyed hunting for morel mushrooms on her family's property in Cooks during the summertime. She was an avid crocheter, making blankets for family members and friends when she had the spare time and patience. Patricia recently learned how to use Facebook, and found joy in connecting with family members who do not live close by.

Patricia was a lover of puzzles of all kinds, you could often find her sitting at the kitchen table working in a word search book with a variety of colored highlighters. It was not uncommon for Patricia and her

husband to be visited by neighbors and close family friends. Neighbors always had an open invitation for coffee and conversation any morning of the week.

Patricia was preceded in death by her mother Meriam, father Harry, brother Gary, and daughter Meriam.

She is survived by her loving husband; son

Bill (Amy) Banks of Columbus, Ohio; and daughters, Lora Banks of Garden, Mich. and Becky (Henry) Dennis of Cooks. Patricia is also survived by nine grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, sister Pamela (Garry) Curfuss of Brookville, Ohio, aunt Josephine (Harold) Bencke of Brookville, along with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, neighbors, and close family friends.

Visitation will be held at Faussett Family Funeral Home in Manistique on Friday, Jan. 4, from 12-2 p.m. The funeral service will follow at 2 p.m. led by Patricia's neighbor and close friend, Pastor Richard Hueter. A private burial will take place in the spring at the Inwood Cemetery in Cooks.

Memorial donations may be directed to Northwoods Home Care and Hospice. Patricia's family would like to thank the nursing staff of Northwoods for taking such wonderful care of Patricia in her time of need.

Faussett Family Funeral Homes of Manistique and Garden are assisting the family with funeral arrangements. Family and friends may send condolences or share a memory at fausseth.com.

Thelma G. Engleright

MANISTIQUE – Thelma Grace Engleright, 95, passed away peacefully on Monday, Dec. 24, 2018, at Woodland Assisted Living with her loving son, Brent, by her side.

She was born on Aug. 28, 1923, in Muskegon, Mich., daughter of Charles and Agnes (Rasmussen) Burdick. She attended and graduated from Muskegon Heights High School.

She married Robert H. Engleright on Aug. 19, 1944, in Muskegon, where they made their home and raised two sons together. Thelma and Robert were extremely proud owners of the original Whippi-Dip Drive In and BBQ Restaurant in Muskegon. She loved reading, keeping track

of family heritage, taking care of her dogs and taking care of her household. She loved traveling with her husband to South Louisiana and Alabama every year.

Thelma is survived by her sons Marc (Barb) Engleright of Portage, Mich. and Brent (Ruth) Engleright of Palmer Lake, Colo.; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; and sister Shirley Partin of Grand Rapids, Mich. She is preceded in death by her loving husband.

Faussett Family Funeral Homes of Manistique and Garden are assisting the family with funeral arrangements. Family and friends may send condolences or share a memory at fausseth.com.

Fred J. Lesica



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MUSKEGON – Fred J. Lesica, 72, passed away at the Poppen Residence on Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2018, surrounded by his family.

He was born June 23, 1946, in Manistique, Mich., to Joyce and Ferdinand Lesica. He served his country as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Fred graduated from Manistique High and was a 1973 graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, practicing law in Muskegon for 45 years.

He was a member of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, Muskegon Exchange Club and the Muskegon Bar Association.

He married the former Kil Sun Han on Oct. 25, 1973. Fred is survived by his children Paul (AJ) and Sarah (Jerry); grandchild, Carter; step-grandchild, Darrin; sister, Marie (Terry); brother, Jim (Debi); several nieces, nephews and cousins; and

special friends Steve Griswold, Ed Krysch, Larry Maxwell and Rick Stockhill. He was preceded in death by his wife Kil Sun, parents, and brother George.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 29, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, 2929 McCracken St., with Rev. Fr. Charles D. Hall presiding.

Visitation was from 6-8 p.m. Friday at The Synema Chapel, 737 Apple Ave., with Military Rites at 7 p.m. under the auspices of VFW Muskegon County Council.

Visitation will also be one hour prior to the service at the church. A private burial will be held at South Casnovia Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Noah Project or Harbor Hospice Foundation. Share memories with the family at www.sylsemnafh.com.

Rebecca A. Chartier



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MANISTIQUE – Rebecca "Becky" Ann'e Chartier, 67, of Manistique, Mich., passed away on Saturday, Dec. 22, 2018, at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petosky, Mich., with her loving family by her side.

Becky was born on Nov. 5, 1951, in Manistique, daughter of William and Marjory (Kokesh) Chartier.

She attended and graduated from Manistique High School the class of 1970.

After high school she attended beauty school in Green Bay, Wis. She also would attend Bay de Noc Community College for a degree in social work.

She was a beautician in the Manistique area for many years. She worked as a social worker for two years and retired from Shopko in Manistique.

She loved crafting, crocheting, knitting, sewing and making stained glass. She loved traveling

and being outdoors for hiking and cross country skiing. She loved spending time with family especially her nieces and nephews.

She is survived by her sister, Barbara (Lamar) Pipkin of Warner Robins, Ga.; brother, William (Kimberly) Chartier of Manistique; sisters, Gale (Paul) Sobieski of

Manistique and Jacqueline Severin of Cooks, Mich.; 10 nieces and nephews; and six great nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her loving parents and brother-in-law David Severin.

A graveside memorial service will be held in the spring.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the family for future designation.

Faussett Family Funeral Homes are assisting the family with funeral arrangements. Family and friends may send condolences or share a memory at fausseth.com.

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A holiday surprise

Courtesy photo
A group of hometown heroes recently surprised fellow veterans at the Schoolcraft County Medical Care Facility. From left to right are: Wilbur LaBar; "Doc"; SrA Brynn Carlson (Air Force); SPC Travis DuFour (Army); Emerc Bosanic (SCMCF); Dale DuFour; Dick Kettick; and Dave Huddleston.

New welding and machine shop owners to host open house Jan. 4

MANISTIQUE — Jim's Welding and Machine will host an open house Jan. 4. The event will take place at the shop, located at 327 N. 5th St. in Manistique, from 2-5 p.m.

Join new owners Mike and Jessica Columbus for coffee and cookies and take a tour of the long-standing Manistique business.

"We'll offer the same classic great service and quality work that Jim's Welding and Fabrication has been known for," says new owner

and head welder Mike Columbus. "We will also offer mobile welding and contract welding services."

The business serves the entire Upper Peninsula.

Mike has been in the welding trade for 24 years and is a member of UA Local 15. He wanted to make sure that residents and businesses still had access to welding and machining services when previous owner, Jim McLaughlin, decided to sell the shop.

"We're proud to keep a Manistique tradition alive and look forward to serving the community," says co-owner Jessica, a longtime Manistique resident. "We're looking forward to meeting our neighbors. Come join us for coffee and cookies on the fourth of January."

Jim's Welding And Fabrication has served the Upper Peninsula since 1991. To find out more about the new Jim's Welding And Machine, owners Mike and Jessica Columbus, and services available, visit <http://jimsweldingandmachine.com/> or call 341-7601.

As young children begin to learn letters, it is also a good time to associate the sounds with each letter. Using pictures for this association helps give meaning to the sounds. You'll need twenty-seven zip lock type sandwich bags, markers, staples, twenty-seven note cards, magazines, grocery ads, and pencil.

Children first learn the sounds of letters especially consonants at the beginning of words. Vowel sounds for A, E, I, O and U are acquired later.

Create a Book

Help your children print the upper and lowercase letters, one on each card using a marker. You can check elementary printing books for proper letter formations — especially a, g and y.

The sandwich bags will be used sideways with the zipper opening to the right. Place one card in each bag. In the left over bag, place a card that has a title "My Sounds Book" and the author's name. This is the cover. Assemble all the bags, cover first and then in alphabetical order. Staple

them on the left side, keeping the zipper on the right. Add some duct tape to help bind the pages.

This next task may take a few days to complete depending on the age and interest of children. Using magazines and grocery ads, cut out pictures and place them in the bag with the corresponding beginning sound. For example, a dog would go into the bag labeled with Dd. You may have only one picture for a few letters such as Xx or Zz. Your child can also draw a picture to go with a sound like X marks a spot or a striped zebra. They can either dictate or write the word for each picture placed in a bag. You are making a vocabulary/spelling book that can be used for future writings. Keep the book handy to add pictures for an easy quiet activity.

Linking Letters and Sounds

With this useful and quiet fun activity families are helping children

develop beginning reading skills by associating sounds and letters with objects. Writing skills are also being developed as they write words and letters. You are creating a tool that children can use when writing more independently and needing to spell words they don't know. Children are working with alphabetical order and developing vocabulary, and scissors skills.

Beside an alphabet book, families can use the same concept for num-

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

Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2018

6:45 a.m., missing person, within the city.
8:50 a.m., found property, Maple Street.

3:55 p.m., animal complaint, S. Second Street.
5:57 p.m., suspicious subject, River Street.

1:15 a.m., OWI arrest, Deer Street and Mackinac Avenue.

Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2018

9:57 a.m., school bus passing, New Elm Street.
9:54 a.m., MDOP, within the city.

1:30 p.m., counterfeit money, E. Lakeshore Drive.
6:40 p.m., lock out, Delta Avenue.

9:27 p.m., fire, N. Cedar Street.
Thursday, Dec. 20, 2018
11:30 a.m., blight, S. Cedar Street.

5:11 p.m., lock out, S. Cedar Street.
6:11 p.m., alarm, S. Cedar Street.

Friday, Dec. 21, 2018

12:30 p.m., BOL reckless driver, U.S. 2.
2:00 p.m., unwanted contact, Pearl St.

2:20 p.m., found property, S. Cedar Street.
2:45 p.m., abandoned vehicle, Creighton Truck Trail.

5:22 p.m., two-car PDA, N. Houghton Avenue.
11:30 p.m., well being check, Oak Street.

11:33 p.m., well being check, Pearl Street.
Saturday, Dec. 22, 2018
6:30 a.m., lost property, within the city.

10:40 a.m., lost property, within the city.

Police Log

Manistique Department of Public Safety

5:17 p.m., department assist, Manistique Township.
1:15 p.m., citizen assist, Oak Street.

1:20 p.m., littering, Fair Building.
1:30 p.m., suspicious situation, Deer Street.

Sunday, Dec. 23, 2018

7:12 a.m., DPW call out, snow covered, slippery roads.
2:00 p.m., MDOP/larceny, N. Mackinac Avenue.

10:25 p.m., DPW request, snow covered, slippery roads.
4:20 a.m., DPW request, snow covered, slippery roads.

Monday, Dec. 24, 2018

5:41 p.m., K-9 department assist, U.S. 2.
7:30 p.m., lock out, N. Third Street.

9:45 p.m., animal complaint, Chippewa Avenue.
2:50 a.m., OWI/VCSA, S. Second Street.

4:30 a.m., alarm, E. Lakeshore Drive.
Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2018
7:00 a.m., suspicious situation, N. Third Street.

9:14 p.m., well being check, Potter Street.
Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2018
10:45 a.m., NSF check, Deer Street.

11:25 a.m., closed account check, S. Second Street.
11:50 a.m., citizen assist, N. Cedar Street.

12:30 p.m., harassment, within the city.
5:20 p.m., safety hazard, Central Park.

5:45 p.m., department assist, Thompson Township.
Thursday, Dec. 27, 2018

Friday, Dec. 28, 2018

8:50 a.m., citizen assist, Oak Street.
12:00 p.m., agency assist, S. Fourth Street.

9:50 p.m., lock out, Garden Avenue.
Saturday, Dec. 29, 2018
10:30 p.m., possible domestic, municipal parking lot.

Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018
12:05 p.m., larceny, Pearl Street.

4:02 p.m., civil, within the city.
4:39 p.m., larceny, W. Lakeshore Drive.

Monday, Dec. 31, 2018
9:10 a.m., civil issue, within the city.

10:45 a.m., suicidal subject, New Elm Street.
11:29 a.m., domestic, S. Third Street.

1:10 p.m., suspicious situation, E. Lakeshore Drive.
4:10 p.m., suspicious situation, within the city.

9:50 p.m., DPW request, icy road conditions.
10:30 p.m., K-9 request, Manistique Township.

12:01 a.m., found property, within the city.
4:30 a.m., suspicious situation, N. Cedar Street.

Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019
9:00 p.m., well being check, Thompson Township.

9:15 p.m., search warrant, N. Cedar Street.

Lifestyles Brief

Local women's club helps medical care facility residents celebrate

MANISTIQUE — The GFWC Manistique Women's Club recently helped five residents of the Schoolcraft County Medical Care Facility celebrate their December birthdays.

Those with birthdays included Patrick Bridges, Dorothy Hendicks, Charles Berglund, Sue Lambert, and Mary Weber.

Entertainment was provided by John Gores. GFWC Manistique Women's Club volunteers were: Pat Mickelson, Irene Hinkson,

Jeanne Gundersen, Carol Anderson, and Carolyn Miller.

Cedar Street Cinemas

Movie Guide

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Oh, the places GFWC goes



Courtesy photo GFWC Manistique Women's Club recently held their December meeting. Their auction, officiated by auctioneer Vonzel LeDuc, was deemed a success. The money raised will be used to fund scholarships. Other December projects and events included: Brenda Fleck delivering Christmas items for veterans at the Jacobetti Veterans Home in Marquette (at left). Sherri Krause delivered items for veterans at the Schoolcraft County Medical Care Facility. Fleck and Krause also reconstructed the float in a display case at the Emerald Elementary. GFWC Manistique has donated several Dr. Seuss books to the Emerald Elementary librarian Kay McGregor (at far left) as one of the seven Grand Initiatives requested of the International GFWC. Some members helped serve Swedish treats at the Nordic Festival at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, including Carolyn Miller, Pat Mickelson, Shirley Leitgeb, Kathy White, and Krause. The next meeting is set for Jan. 8 at 12 p.m. inside the Comfort Inn. Featured will be the short story winners. Tickets may be purchased at the Peoples Store for \$10 by 12 p.m. on Jan. 7. Guests and new members are welcome. For more information, call Krause at 341-6701.



Meet & Greet

Courtesy photo Former Manistique resident and Assistant Attorney General Dan Beaton met with new Gov. Gretchen Whitmer at the Governor's Inaugural Ball at the Cobo Center in Detroit Jan. 1.

Lifestyles Brief

Ryan named to dean's list at Belmont University

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Rachel Ryan, a Manistique native, qualified for the fall 2018 dean's list at Belmont University. Eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours and a quality grade point average of 3.5 with no grade below a C. Committed to being a leader among teaching universities, Belmont brings together the best of liberal arts and professional education in a Christian community of learning and service. The University's purpose is to help students explore their passions and develop their talents to meet the world's needs. With more than 90 areas of undergraduate study, more than 25 master's programs and five doctoral degrees, there is no limit to the ways Belmont University can expand an individual's horizon. For more information, visit www.belmont.edu.

MSU Extension offers free crop workshop

CHATHAM — A series of educational programs targeting farmers, both large and small, is planned at three Upper Peninsula locations. These meetings will address questions posed by local farmers concerning soil nutrient balances as reported on soil tests, soil microbial activity and its impact

on crop production, efficient use of commercial fertilizers and manures, and reducing crop production costs. Soil improvement techniques, including tillage practices, crop rotations and cover crops will also be addressed. There is no charge for these meetings, which are scheduled as follows:

Jan. 9: 6:30-8 p.m., Ruidyard Township Hall, 18725 S. Mackinac Trail, Ruidyard. Feb. 4: 6:30-8 p.m., MSU Upper Peninsula Research and Extension Center, E3774 University Drive, Chatham. Feb. 11: 6:30-8 p.m., Mass City Community Center, 1502 Mass

Avenue, Mass City. Pre-registration is required at least one work day prior to the program to ensure adequate participation. Register online at https://events.ansu.edu/UP2019nutrmtg/ or by phoning or emailing name, address, phone number, and email information to Jim Isleib at (905) 387-2530 or isleibj@ansu.edu.

Counseling Corner

American Counseling Association

Although the Food and Drug Administration has said it may regulate vaping, for now kids are still vaping in growing numbers. The health issues associated with vaping are many. It's not a product regulated by the FDA. This means that when a package shows the amount of nicotine in the product, it may not always be accurate. Some vaping cartridges labeled "no nicotine" were still found to have nicotine present when tested. The chemicals used in these products are also dangerous. Most vaping cartridges use propylene glycol to create the clouds of "vapor" that these products produce. It's a chemical used in many household products, such as hand sanitizer, antifoam, and deodorants — nothing you ever want to put in your mouth. Did we mention it's also used as an aircraft de-icer? Most vaping cartridges contain over 720 milligrams of nicotine, although it's released in small doses when "smoked." Nicotine is highly addictive and can be fatally poisonous in amounts as small as 40 to 50 milligrams. These cartridges are a real, possibly fatal danger if a small child or a pet should eat one. Vaping is still a new notion as to what the long term health effects might be. What has been shown already is that there's no evidence that it helps an individual stop smoking, and studies have found that vaping for as little as 10 minutes can worsen lung function. If your kids think vaping is a safe alternative, have a serious talk with them. The unknown health risks they may be facing aren't worth "looking cool" with this new add-on. Discouraging this practice now can mean healthier kids in the future.

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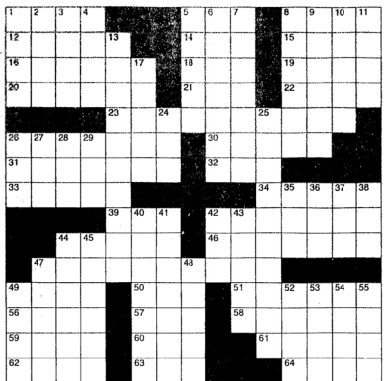
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While we're all aware that cigarette smoking is dangerous and unhealthy, it's still a very serious and difficult addiction for many. And while most smokers may want to quit, most of them certainly don't want their children to ever start smoking. Unfortunately, many kids have turned to vaping, those electronic substitutes for cigarettes, because they, and often their parents, are under the mistaken impression that it's safer. It's not. The nicotine in electronic cigarettes is highly addictive and the other chemicals involved can harm health. Vaping manufacturers were quick to realize the appeal this new form of smoking could have for young people. They produced various fruit flavors to make the product more enjoyable for young people.

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Treasury: Prepare now for upcoming tax season

LANSING - With the state of Michigan's individual income tax season beginning in late January, the Michigan Department of Treasury is asking taxpayers to take a couple of actions today to ensure returns are processed promptly.

Quick facts

- The Michigan Department of Treasury is encouraging residents to prepare now for tax season, which typically begins in late January.
Tips include gathering tax-related documents and updating any changed addresses.
Visit www.michigan.gov/taxes for more information.

Taxpayers are encouraged to begin gathering tax-related documents and updating their home addresses with current and previous employers so W-2s and other financial documents can be mailed to the correct address. Incorrect addresses typically lead to information being mailed to the wrong location and could cause delays when filing tax returns.

"State income tax filing season seems like a long time away, but it will be here before you know it," said Deputy State Treasurer Glenn White, head of Treasury's Tax Administration program. "Taxpayers who prepare today are less likely to face processing delays."

Other notable items for Michigan's 2019 filing season (2018 tax year):

- Beginning in January 2019, forms and instructions may be viewed and downloaded from michigan.gov/taxes. In addition, commonly used forms will continue to be available at

Treasury offices, most public libraries, northern Michigan post offices and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services county offices.

- When tax season begins in late January, taxpayers can e-file their state tax returns instead of mailing a paper return. To learn more, go to mifastfile.org.
Taxpayers may elect to use direct debit when e-filing their 2017 or 2018 tax returns. A direct debit is a tax payment the state Treasury Department electronically withdraws from the taxpayer's bank account using the information provided on the electronically filed return.

State income tax filers have an option of making payments electronically using the Michigan Department of Treasury's e-Payments system. Payments can be made by using electronic payment (eCheck), credit card or debit card.

- A taxpayer must file to claim

a refund with the state Treasury Department within four months from the date set for filing of the original return. Individuals must file a 2014 Michigan Individual Income Tax Return to receive their refund for that tax year.

Taxpayers who have been recent victims of identity theft are asked to report their circumstances to the state Treasury Department. Reporting identity theft helps thwart cybercriminals who attempt to file and steal a state tax refund. To learn more about tax-related identity theft, go to michigan.gov/identitythef.

Information about new developments for the 2018 tax year is available on the state Treasury Department's website.

To learn the latest about state of Michigan taxes, go to www.michigan.gov/taxes or follow the state Treasury Department on Twitter at @MITreasury. Federal tax information is available at www.irs.gov.

News Brief

Father-daughter dance scheduled for Feb. 9

MANISTIQUE - Area fathers and daughters are invited to attend the 14th annual Father-Daughter Dinner Dance, set for Feb. 9. The event, hosted by the Manistique Area Kiwanis Club, will take place at the First Baptist Church.

The dance will not only provide an opportunity for dads and daughters to spend a special evening together, but will also raise money for the annual summer visit by the Missoula Children's Theatre, also hosted by the Kiwanis.

The Kiwanis Club funds the program through several sources, including grants and money raised by the father-daughter dinner dance.

Tickets for the upcoming semi-formal evening are \$40 for each dad and daughter couple and \$10 for each additional daughter. The number of tickets is limited to the first 45 couples and additional daughters. Tickets are sold in advance only and will be available beginning Jan. 7 at Manistique Radio Center and the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility.

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

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

Park project

"I don't just get the grant and build it tomorrow," she added.

The grant requires the city supply a \$150,000 match, some of which can be made via donated materials and labor.

"There can be some donated time," Aldrich explained. "The recreation board will be doing some major fundraising for this project."

The project agreement extends from Sept. 24, 2018 until June 30, 2021.

"Should it take longer than that, we'd have to ask for an extension," Aldrich said. "They usually give you a three-year extension."

Councilperson Rick Hollister asked if the city would have input about features of the park.

"Absolutely," Aldrich answered. "We had certain things in the grant agreement when we sent it in. The playground, the skate park, the Paul Bunyan, and fencing. You can change it up somewhat, but if you do change it to be something that isn't in your grant application, then you have to go to the state and say 'I'd like to add this or I'd like to change this out to that.'"

She added that the recreation board will be holding their first meeting with Coleman Engineering, the city's retained engineering firm, this month to discuss the project.

"As they proceed, we'll see their plans come to us here at the city council level," Aldrich said.

Councilperson Paul Walker, who is also a member of the recreation board, explained that there is discussion about whether the addition of a skate park at the Blanchard Paul Bunyan Park is now an "obsolescence idea".

"We've having an open forum at the high school on Jan. 7... so we can look into the feasibility of a skateboard park," he explained.

"To continue with a bigger one or to just build a small one and then see if we need to add to it."

Walker noted that the skate park was included in the city recreation plan, a document needed in order for the grants to proceed.

Mayor Mike Perilloux pointed out that there has been discussion that skating is not as much of a "fad" as it was in the past.

"A significant amount of money was raised by different groups and, that money, they want it for a skateboard park," Walker explained. "We're going to try to stay true to that as possible."

Aldrich noted that approximately \$150,000 had been raised for the skate park.

Another feature of the park under consideration is the reconstruction of the Paul Bunyan statue. The iconic statue, constructed and placed at the Deer Street and Chippewa Avenue intersection in 1960, was destroyed by high winds in 1975.

Walker noted that this project, replacing the statue, is a "huge passion" of his.

"During the city's sesquicentennial in 2010, a hat was passed around and Roger Irie and his wife, Nancy, spearheaded this money raising to put 'big Paul' back up," Walker said. "That's one thing that I would love to continue to follow through with."

The statue was included in the plan for Blanchard Paul Bunyan Park, but its creation will not be funding through the grant.

"We had it in the grant application, but because they considered it a sign, they took it out," Aldrich explained. "The recreation board left it in the project."

The statue is expected to cost approximately \$40,000 to \$50,000. Aldrich said that funds from past fundraisers have been set aside for the statue - between \$10,000 and \$11,000.

"It's important for the west side of Manistique - for the businesses, they need that," Walker said. "Not only that, it's something true and dear to Manistique."

The local Elks Club received \$13,000 in grant funding from the Elks National Foundation to put toward the park. Projects already completed with the funding include: the repair and refurbishment of the outdoor basketball courts; the purchase of grills, picnic tables, benches, and garbage cans for the park, as well as the installation of cement pads on which equipment may be placed; and the repair and repainting of play-

ground equipment; the purchase of wood chips to place around playground equipment; and the purchase of new swings and other playground equipment.

Walker expressed his appreciation for those involved in the park project thus far.

"I want to thank Sheila (Aldrich) for following through with this - this is huge for Manistique," he said. "I would also like to thank the (Manistique) Elks Lodge with their grant money which helped us with painting and providing other things, too."

Council members unanimously approved the grant agreement, as well as a resolution acknowledging the acceptance of the agreement. Councilperson Kim Shiner was absent.

The public input meeting to discuss the inclusion of a skate park within Blanchard Paul Bunyan Park is scheduled for Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held inside the Manistique Middle and the repair and repainting of play-

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Charges

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for a preliminary examination Jan. 7 at 11:30 a.m. Dana Lee Fagan, 28, of 209 Pearl St., Manistique, was arraigned Dec. 10 on one count of minor - contributing to neglect or delinquency,

a misdemeanor; and one count of Assaulting, battering, resisting, obstructing, opposing person performing duty, a felony punishable by up to two years imprisonment and/or a fine of up to \$2,000.

MDOT seeking public comment on transportation

Long-range plan to cover 25 years in Michigan

LANSING - The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is developing a new state long-range transportation plan (SLRTP), known as Michigan Mobility 2045 (MM 2045), that will establish a vision and priorities for transportation in Michigan for 25 years.

The plan outlines numerous ways MDOT will provide the public with information, explains ways to ask questions about the plan, and provides ideas for making the plan better.

Top methods for gathering public input on MM 2045 include:

The use of Metroquest, an innovative technology to extend outreach to a larger and more diverse group of Michigan residents during the MM 2045 development phase, which extends from January to April.

Scenario planning via Metroquest that will present transportation situations to the public in a realistic context to help determine a long-term vision for transportation in Michigan.

Telephone town halls that will allow MDOT to randomly dial as many as 10,000 landline phones per town hall and offer the public an opportunity to join a conference call, ask questions, and express opinions about transportation in Michigan and MM 2045. MDOT will announce the schedule for these events.

A attitudes and perceptions survey that will help gauge public perceptions to ensure the needs and priorities of a representative sample of Michigan residents are considered.

Visioning sessions with key stakeholders that will provide a

collaborative context for informing engagement methods, establishing transportation priorities, and determining best methods for outreach to marginalized communities.

MDOT is seeking the opinions of the public, including a large and diverse group of Michigan residents and stakeholders representing groups with an interest or concern for the state's transportation decision-making process. This includes best practices for targeting and providing attention to environmental justice populations, marginalized communities and tribal governments.

After gathering adequate public feedback on MM 2045, MDOT will share a final draft of the plan and extend invitations for more targeted public engagement activities.

This will occur during the second phase of the plan, which begins in May.

The public will be able to view the plan and provide comments on MM 2045 at www.michigan-mobility.org.

Public comments also can be sent to mdot-michiganmobility@michigan.gov, or shared with MDOT's social media sites at www.facebook.com/michigandot or www.twitter.com/michigandot. Comments also can be sent via U.S. mail:

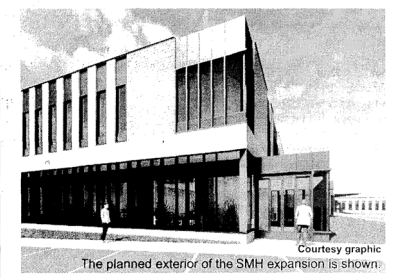
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4. In January 2018, the city of Manistique Recreation Department was awarded a \$150,000 grant to help fund the creation of the Blanchard Paul Bunyan Park. The park, which will be located adjacent to the Habitat for Humanity - Hiawathaland building and Restore, will likely include a pavilion, skate park, volleyball court, access paths, and site amenities. The park currently boasts swings, merry-go-rounds, a t-ball field, and benches that will remain. All other playground equipment will be removed. The city's once-famed Paul Bunyan statue is a planned feature of the park, but was not approved as part of the grant. The reinstatement of this iconic statue, constructed in 1960 and destroyed by high winds in 1975, is reliant on private fundraising. See more about the progress on the park on page A1 of this week's edition.

5. The General Election boasted several contentious races, particularly for the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioner seats. By the end of the Nov. 6 election, the District 1 commissioner race saw incumbent Craig Reiter narrowly defeat write-in Bill Vandagriff. In District 3, newcomer Corey Barr claimed victory over his contender, incumbent Larry Mersnick. In District 4, formerly represented by Chris Rantanen, who opted not to seek re-election, John Shiner beat out his competition, Paul Walker. Allan Ott stayed on as the District 2 commissioner and Dan Hoholik as District 5 commissioner, as their races were uncontested. In another contested county-wide race, voters selected Robin LaCroix to serve on the Schoolcraft County Road Commission Board over his opponent, Isaac Swisher. The millage for a new Schoolcraft County Jail was defeated at the polls, while the Schoolcraft County Transit Authority millage proposal to authorize an up to .587 mill levy on taxable property in the county for five years succeeded.

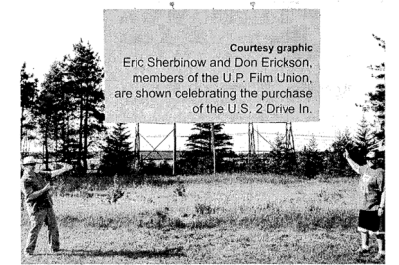


The planned exterior of the SMH expansion is shown.

6. In December, Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital announced its financial success over the past few years has paved the way for a \$10 million expansion. The hospital will embark on its upgrade in spring 2019, with construction lasting nine to 10 months. After that, the hospital's Alan W. Ott Rural Health Clinic will undergo a six- to nine-month renovation. Since opening the new hospital in 2013, more than 75 jobs have been added, along with a long list of specialty services. The hospital is also focusing on expanding primary care services and recruiting providers. SMH has experienced a \$2.5 million turn-around from a net loss of \$481,925 in 2016 to a net income of \$2.1 million in 2017. There is a net income of approximately \$22 million expected in 2018.

7. Good Neighbor Services, which offers a variety of services locally, received a donation allowing them to move to a larger location in March. The organization had outgrown its location adjacent to the Habitat for Humanity Restore. An philanthropist donated \$100,000 to assist in purchasing the former grocery store on East Street - just down the road from their current location. The new building is still in need of certain repairs, so fundraising continues. Beside the thrift store, Good Neighbors Services also offers a food pantry, utility assistance, soup kitchen, counseling, is involved with a yearly can-a-thon and the Schoolcraft County Community Resource Fair, and assists in organizing and fundraising to bring Feeding America food distribution trucks to the area.

8. One man was rescued and another drowned June 4 after the kayak they had taken out into the winds and waves of Lake Michigan overturned off the mainland of Schoolcraft County. Regional dispatchers received a call from a man who said his son and a friend had taken a kayak out into Lake Michigan off South Barques Point Trail. The man, who was calling from a vacation rental property in which they were staying, said the kayak had overturned. Strong wind prevented his son and his friend from returning to shore. He told dispatchers he could see the men bobbing in the water next to the kayak. Neither man had a life jacket. The water temperature was approximately 50 degrees. Michigan State Police troopers from the Manistique detachment, Manistique Public Safety EMS, the Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Office, a Sault Tribe Police officer, and the DNR responded to the scene. Rescuers were able to locate one of the kayakers from Oxford, Mich., and return him to shore. The second man, a 23-year-old from Burton, Mich., was located at the bottom of Lake Michigan at a depth of eight to 10 feet. The man was not recovered alive.



Courtesy graphic Eric Sherbinow and Don Erickson, members of the U.P. Film Union, are shown celebrating the purchase of the U.S. 2 Drive In.

9. The Upper Peninsula Film Union announced in early December that they had decided to save the U.S. Highway 2 Drive In. Built in 1953, it is last drive-in theater in the Upper Peninsula had been officially closed for almost two decades. The Upper Peninsula Film Union is a nonprofit organization comprised of Manistique residents Kevin Knaffla, Don Erickson, and Eric Sherbinow. The Union, with the assistance of U.P. corporate sponsors, has produced free drive in movie events for the community over the past three years. During these special events, various nonprofit groups have operated the concession stand, retaining the funds raised by sales. The drive-in will continue to host open, free events. A "Go Fund Me" page for the Upper Peninsula Film Union has been created to fund the drive in as a permanent fixture in the Upper Peninsula. For more information about the theater or the U.P. Film Union, search the organization on Facebook or visit www.upfilmunion.org. The Union is a 501c3 nonprofit and all donations are tax deductible.

10. The paramedics and emergency medical technicians of the Manistique EMS Ambulance Service received a much-needed donation in March - a house. The new living quarters for on-duty employees was gifted the house, by a donor who wished to remain anonymous, for use by Manistique EMS. The gift of the house, located on Oak Street in Manistique, was accepted by Manistique City Council members. Paramedics, who frequently travel from areas south of the Mackinac Bridge to work in the area, now utilize the house. They had previously used the Community Center located next to Central Park.

News Brief

Michigan State Police report increase in traffic deaths, 10, during its CARE Lifesaver Weekend

LANSING - Preliminary reports by the Michigan State Police show 10 people lost their lives in nine separate traffic crashes during the 2018 Operation CARE (Crash Awareness and Reduction Efforts) Lifesaver Weekend. The fatalities more than double in comparison to the four people who lost their lives in four separate traffic crashes during the 2017 initiative. Of the 10

fatalities, four were pedestrians, three of the fatal crashes involved alcohol, and four of the occupants were either not wearing seat belts or restraint use was unknown.

The 2018 Operation C.A.R.E. Lifesaver Weekend ran from 12:01 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 21, through 11:59 p.m., on Sunday, Dec. 23, 2018. These preliminary numbers reflect fatalities reported to the MSP

as of Dec. 26, 2018.

Operation C.A.R.E. is a nationwide initiative aimed at reducing traffic crashes and fatalities on highways across the country. It began in 1977 as a collaborative effort between the MSP and the Indiana State Police. Today Operation C.A.R.E. is one of the nation's longest running traffic safety initiatives and includes state and highway pa-

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Coming up in Sports

- MANISTIQUE EMERALDS**
Boys Varsity Basketball
Fri., Jan. 4 vs. Ishpeming at HOME, 7:30 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 5 vs. Big Bay de Noc at Big Bay de Noc, 6 p.m.
- Girls Varsity Basketball**
Fri., Jan. 4 vs. Negaunee at Negaunee, 7:15 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 5 vs. Big Bay de Noc at Big Bay de Noc, 4:30 p.m.
- Varsity Swim**
Thurs., Jan. 3 vs. Ish-Neg at Negaunee, 4 p.m.
Tues., Jan. 8 vs. Ish-Neg at HOME, 5 p.m.
- Varsity Wrestling**
Wed., Jan. 2 vs. Gwinning at Gwinning, 5:30 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 5 vs. Kalkaska Invitational at Kalkaska, 9 a.m.
Wed., Jan. 9 vs. Munising - Bark River at Munising, 6 p.m.
- BIG BAY DE NOC BLACK BEARS**
Boys Varsity Basketball
Fri., Jan. 4 vs. Munising at HOME, 6 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 5 vs. Manistique at HOME, 6 p.m.
- Girls Varsity Basketball**
Sat., Jan. 5 vs. Manistique at HOME, 4:30 p.m.

NFL standings

NFL STATS as of 01-02-19

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1. NE Patriots	11	5	0
2. Miami Dolphins	7	9	0
3. Buffalo Bills	6	10	0
4. New York Jets	4	12	0
North			
1. Baltimore Ravens	10	6	0
2. Pittsburgh Steelers	9	6	1
3. Cleveland Browns	7	8	1
4. Cincinnati Bengals	6	10	0
South			
1. Houston Texans	11	5	0
2. Indianapolis Colts	10	6	0
3. Tennessee Titans	9	7	0
4. Jacksonville Jaguars	5	11	0
West			
1. K.C. Chiefs	12	4	0
2. L.A. Chargers	12	4	0
3. Denver Broncos	6	10	0
4. Oakland Raiders	4	12	0
NFC			
East			
1. Dallas Cowboys	10	6	0
2. Philadelphia Eagles	9	7	0
3. Washington Redskins	7	9	0
4. N.Y. Giants	5	11	0
North			
1. Chicago Bears	12	4	0
2. Minnesota Vikings	8	7	1
3. G.D. Packers	6	9	1
4. Detroit Lions	6	10	0
South			
1. New Orleans Saints	13	3	0
2. Atlanta Falcons	7	9	0
3. Carolina Panthers	7	9	0
4. TB Buccaneers	5	11	0
West			
1. L.A. Rams	13	3	0
2. Seattle Seahawks	10	6	0
3. Arizona Cardinals	4	12	0
4. San Francisco 49ers	3	13	0

- NFL Postseason Schedule**
Saturday, Jan. 5
- Indianapolis at Houston 4:35 PM
 - ESPN/ABC - AFC Wild Card Playoff
 - Seattle at Dallas 8:15 PM FOX
 - NFC Wild Card Playoff
- Sunday, Jan. 6
- Los Angeles at Baltimore 1:05 PM
 - CBS - AFC Wild Card Playoff
 - Philadelphia at Chicago 4:40 PM
 - NBC - NFC Wild Card Playoff

Andersen sets 3-point record

MANISTIQUE - The Emeralds' Schyler Andersen set a school record Friday night. The 6'2" junior knocked down seven three-point baskets in the Emeralds' 56-42 loss to the Negaunee Miners. Andersen went on to finish the game with 21 points.

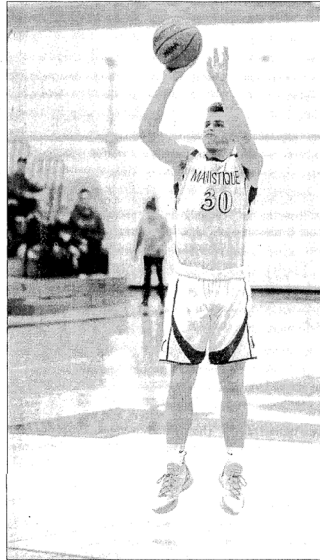
Trailing 15-10, the Emeralds offense was shut down by the Miners' defense in the second period, holding them to just five points to control a 24-15 lead at the half.

Up by nine points, the Miners pushed their lead to 11 at the end of the third and held off a strong finish by Manistique in the fourth quarter to seal the win.

The previous school record of (six) three-point baskets in a single game was held by Ben Carlson, Mike Nagy, and David Strasser.

Manistique has a busy start to the New Year, beginning with a home game against Ishpeming Friday and traveling to Big Bay de Noc Saturday and to Munising Monday.

Saturday's games against Big Bay got underway with the girls at 4:30 p.m., followed by the boys' contest set for 6 p.m.



Joe LeBlanc photo
With nine points in the first quarter, the Emeralds' Schyler Andersen (pictured above) went on to break a school record last Friday night in a match-up against the Negaunee Miners. Andersen, who finished the night with 21 points, hit seven three-point baskets, breaking the previous record of six. At left, Alex Oss attempts two off the glass. Additional photos may be viewed at www.mstpioneertribune.smugmug.com.



Emerald wrestlers conclude 2018 and begin 2019 with busy schedule

MANISTIQUE - It was a busy end to the year for the Manistique Emeralds' wrestling team. Competing in a host of invitational events, Manistique traveled to Munising Dec. 28 to participate in the Munising Holiday Invite.

The Emeralds started the tournament with a win over Gwinning by the score of 46-6. Brendan Slater lost by pin. Casey Stoy, Catherine King, James Schroeder, Josiah Gilroy, Tylor Greene, Ryan Korva, Matt Wood, and Isaac Brewster won by forfeit.

Back on the mat following a short break, it took a count back to determine the final score which tipped in Bark Rivers favor 31-30. King, Stoy, Schroeder, Greene, and Brewster won by forfeit.

Gilroy, Korva, and Slater lost by a pin.

Their third match of the day saw Kingsford defeating Manistique by the score of 48-12. In two close match-ups, Schroeder lost by a 13-11 decision.

Slater dropped a 12-7 decision; Green and Gilroy won by forfeit.

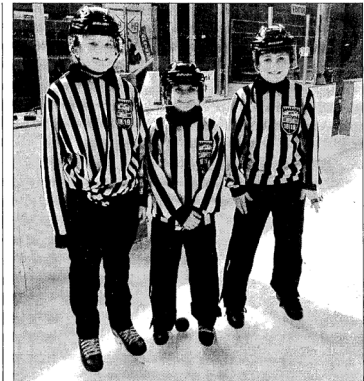
Following the loss to Kingsford, the Emeralds lost to Ishpeming by the score of 30 to 24. Schroeder, Greene, and Korva won matches by forfeit. Brewster, Manistique's heavyweight, won by pin.

Taking advantage of a pin by Schroeder and wins by forfeit from Stoy, King, Greene, Gilroy, Wood, and Brewster, the Emeralds defeated Menominee 42-17 in their final match of the day.

Manistique's match against Gwinning scheduled for Wednesday was cancelled due to the host team not having enough wrestlers. The Emeralds will travel to Kalkaska this Saturday, Munising Jan. 9, and Gladwin Jan. 12.



Courtesy photo
The Emerald varsity girls will start the New Year off with an away game in Negaunee Friday and at Big Bay de Noc Saturday. Tip-off for Saturday's game is set for 4:30 p.m. This year's roster includes (front row, from left): Raya Twardokus, Kayla Muth, Emma Swanson, Madison Zellner, and Chloe Gould. Back row: Head Coach David Winkel, Joslynn Muth, Emilee McDaniel, Sydney Peterson, Brooke Richey, and Assistant Coach Scott Nagy.



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For the love of ice!
As if they didn't already get enough time on the ice playing in their regular games and practice, Madelin Frazier, Mya Carlson, and Ajay Berger are now hockey officials. The three completed the required training and put those skills to use officiating at the recent 6/8/18 Holiday Jamboree at Little Bear West Arena.

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Showcasing the DNR: Reflections on 2018

LANSING – For the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, 2018 has been busy. The DNR, with the help of many partners, has made great strides in its ongoing efforts to take care of the state's natural and cultural resources and provide outstanding outdoor recreation opportunities.

Here are a few highlights of how the DNR spent 2018.

Providing quality outdoor recreation opportunities

The DNR continued its work to ensure excellent opportunities for hunting and fishing, both of which contribute billions of dollars to the state's economy each year.

Fourteen state-record fish have been caught in Michigan in the last 10 years, pointing to the abundance and health of our fish populations. The DNR stocks more than 25 million fish each year, in more than 1,000 locations across both peninsulas. Forty percent of all recreational fishing in Michigan depends on stocked fish.

In 2018, the DNR expanded the recently created Fishing Tournament Information System – a statewide, online registration and reporting tool that makes it easier for tournament managers to meet the requirement of having all bass fishing tournaments registered – to include all bass and walleye tournaments. To date, the system has received more than 2,000 bass tournament registrations and results reports.

The DNR is continually improving habitat on the 4.5 million acres of public hunting land it manages. Hunters can explore seven managed waterfowl areas, 19 grouse enhanced management sites (known as GEMS) that allow walk-in hunting, and more than 180 state game and wildlife areas. These locations also offer abundant wildlife watching opportunities.

So far this year, hunters have contributed almost \$200,000 to wildlife management by purchasing Pure Michigan Hunt applications that give them a shot at a prize package valued at over \$4,000, as well as licenses for elk, bear, spring and fall turkey and antlerless deer, and first pick at a managed waterfowl area. The application period ended at midnight Dec. 31.

Michigan's 103 state parks continue to provide the scenic spaces, natural resources and access to

outdoor recreation opportunities that attract tens of millions of people every year.

With 12,500-plus miles of state-designated trails and pathways – one of the largest, interconnected trail systems in the country – Michigan is known as The Trails State. This trails system offers plenty of social, economic and health benefits, catering to a variety of users, including bicyclists, hikers, ORV riders, cross-country skiers, snowmobilers, horseback riders, paddlers and others.

The system also includes the Iron Belle Trail, Michigan's signature hiking and biking trail extending more than 2,000 miles from the far western tip of the Upper Peninsula to Belle Isle in Detroit.

There was renewed interest sparked in 2018 in the Iron Belle Trail Fund Campaign, marked by an event in Ann Arbor where more than \$10.5 million in private donations was announced.

"Quality outdoor recreation resources and opportunities mean a lot to the people who use and value them, and to the communities they serve," DNR Director Keith Creagh said. "The Iron Belle Trail offers so many beautiful places where people make memories, improve their health, and recharge their energy. The state and our many partners are on an ambitious timeline to get the remainder of these connected miles in place."

To date, the DNR and partners have built and engineered more than 100 miles of new trail to complete the Iron Belle Trail's 1,422 miles of existing hiking and biking trails, with just over 600 remaining to be connected.

In October 2018, the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation announced a \$100 million investment of parks and trails in Southeast Michigan, including segments of the Iron Belle Trail.

With the creation of a new State Water Trails program, the DNR announced that eight waterways, totaling 540-plus miles flowing through more than a dozen counties, have been selected as the first state-designated water trails in Michigan.

DNR Parks and Recreation Chief Ron Olson said that water trails are an increasing trend in Michigan and nationally, as interest in paddle sports and other water-based recreation continues to grow.

Water trails feature well-de-

veloped access points, often near significant historical, environmental or cultural points of interest and often have nearby amenities like restaurants, hotels and campgrounds.

"These state-designated water trails will encourage close-to-home outdoor recreation and healthy lifestyles while boosting local economies, giving even more reason to call Michigan The Trails State," said Paul Yauk, the DNR's state trails coordinator.

The DNR's staffed shooting ranges, located in southern Michigan state parks and game areas, made improvements to accommodate a growing number of shooting sports enthusiasts. Updates this year included expanding parking, adding new handgun shooting stations and installing a well to provide potable water, with construction of new accessible parking and walkways planned at three ranges in 2019.

Looking to get outdoors in 2019? Check out michigan.gov/dnr/enclenar.

Taking care of Michigan's woods, waters and wildlife

The "Good Neighbor Authority" allows state natural resource agencies to assist the U.S. Forest Service and the federal Bureau of Land Management on timber and watershed restoration projects across the country.

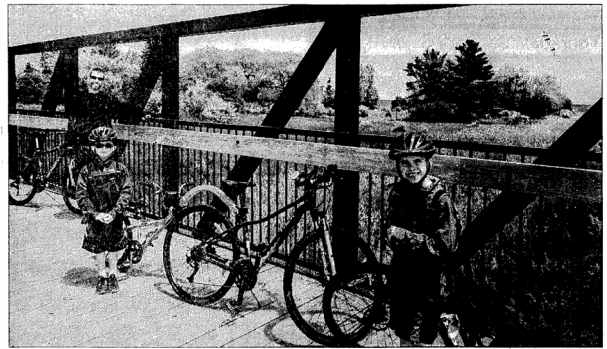
In 2018, the DNR increased its Good Neighbor Authority efforts from the previous year, preparing 2,400 acres for timber sale and producing 38,500 cords of wood from the four national forests in Michigan – the Huron and Manistee national forests in the Lower Peninsula and the Ottawa and Hiawatha in the Upper Peninsula.

This state/federal partnership will grow to more than 7,500 acres in 2019.

In 2018, oversight of the state's Registered Forester program transferred to the DNR from the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. The move was part of a restructuring process for this voluntary program that encourages higher standards for Michigan's foresters.

Changes to the program include an up-to-date online database and a new complaint review process.

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The Iron Belle Trail provides bike riders and hikers with many scenic views, like from this bridge in Tawas near Alabaster. Courtesy photo

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Well, if I figure this right and you are my age and staying up to watch the New Year is not in your game plan, you should really get a good restful night's sleep tonight. (New Year's Eve) Just think you can go to bed in one year and sleep until the next year arrives! If you figure this right with the modern math way of looking at things it should mean you have slept a whole year. See, if you look hard enough there is always a positive way of looking at things.

If you think your holiday period was rather interesting just think about some people I heard about this week. In talking to a party that lives down south of us two-three hundred miles it seems with all the snow we had during the first part of November they added up two and two and came out with six. With this way of figuring they made plans, took vacation and made reservations to come up north to the U.P. to snowmobile over the holidays. What a bummer these plans ended up being.

But then again if you have all the right gear and a 4-wheeler you could still take a trip through the back woods if you really wanted to. But it may be best if you have one of the new side-by-sides that have an enclosed cab with a heater and all the comforts of a nice pickup truck to make life all the more enjoyable.

Some information and suggestions for New Year resolutions.

Now there are more overweight people in America than average-weight people. So overweight people are now average. This means you've met your New Year resolution already.

An optimist stays up until

midnight to see the New Year in. A pessimist stays up to make sure the old year leaves.

If you set a goal low enough your chances of reaching it are a whole lot better, than if you meet it you can later brag about by how much you exceeded your goal by.

If you didn't get what you wanted for Christmas just think if you stick around long enough it is a proven fact that sometime during the year you will have a birthday so you can try again.

The following falls under a proven fact that in life some things never really change no matter what some may think. Just read it and see when it was written.

Advice to Daughter-Listen Daughter!

Listen daughter, don't go moping around the house and sighing like a freight train cutting loose the air brakes; and don't be walking around with your eyes all puffed up and red from tears simply because you can't have clothes that wouldn't look good anywhere except on one of those freak show/magazine cover girls. I know it's a pretty tough old world, from your range of vision, because your ma and I have forbidden you to wear shirts that are too high and waist that are too low. I know, child, that some of the other girls are chasing around the streets in costumes that shame a burlesque dancer and attracting a lot of attention; but did you ever notice just what kind of attention they attract?

Of course you haven't. You don't

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Ret. Sgt. John Walker

happen to be within earshot when some of the boys say what they really think about the "other girls". Thank God, you don't. You're too young to know those things yet anyway.

You say the other girls laugh at your simple frocks and at your freckles. Let 'em laugh! That shows they are the other kind of girls. Your mother and I met each other long, long ago. I loved her enough to ask her to marry me and she cared enough for me to answer "Yes". We've been happy ever since, haven't we Ma? Our marriage took. It didn't take any split skirt or silhouette gowns to make me fall in love with your mother. She never had any such contraption in her life. And I didn't go prancing up and down River Street (Main Street) with a silly monkey hat on the back of my head and a cigarette poked out in front of my face.

Let the other girls smile at you if they want to, but just wait for the finish.

You won't find the decent young chaps, the kind I want to give my little girl to, marrying any of those "other girls".

That's right, have a good cry if you want to. Dad knows best. So put on that pretty little dress, the one we all like, and we'll all go to the moving picture show and have some ice cream after. Hurry up! It's getting late and we don't want to miss the picture. That's right, smile!

From the Nov. 28, 1914, Ontonago Herald. Wow!

Happy New Year.

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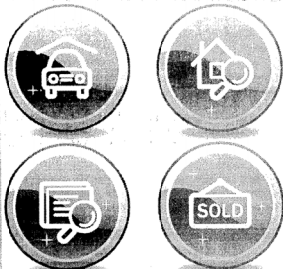
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Jan. 6 - Jan. 12
ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Look forward to solid and passionate developments in the days to come. Aries, if you're seeking love, then sparks may soon fly. Be on the lookout.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, after some recent turbulence, rest easy knowing that calmer waters are ahead. Some tranquility and stability is just what the color ordered.
GEMINI - May 22/June 21
Gemini, expect some big changes in your love life in the weeks to come. Count your blessings because you deserve all the good news that's coming your way.
CANCER - June 22/July 22
Surprise are in store for Cancer who are willing to take some risks. If you resign from your job, you just may find a cream position shortly after - things can be that dramatic.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Some cosmic goodness is in store for you, Leo. Be realistic about your prospects. This year can start out on the right foot, especially as it pertains to domestic matters.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, things in your domestic sector are bound to settle down in a few days. If you planned improvements at home, you'll sail through those. In time with some help from friends.
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, some pivotal changes may come into your life shortly. You may find out your family is necessary to learn that a career change is in the works. Start counting good fortune.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
A talent that you used to feel insecure about can be an avenue to earn a significant amount of money. Scorpio, don't hesitate to monetize and share your gifts.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
While you have been in a stable relationship for some time now, both parties may be looking to shake things up. It can go two ways: A breakup or newfound depth.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Venus, the ruler of your career sector, will point your professional efforts in the right direction, Capricorn. Your professional outlook might turn completely around.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
You may notice people in your social life are more friendly and accommodating lately. Aquarius, in fact, friends have always been there for you because they believe in you.
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, if you've been waiting for good news to start a venture, then your patience will pay off. Expect some good news to come.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
Default has occurred in a Mortgage, dated July 26, 2013, made by David Andrew Creedon, as mortgagor, to Limestone Federal Credit Union, a body corporate organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, as mortgagee, and recorded on July 31, 2013, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Schoolcraft County, Michigan, as Document No. 201301696. No proceedings, legal or equitable, have been instituted to recover all or any part of the debt that is secured by the Mortgage, and the amount of the debt claimed to be due as of the date of this notice is \$22,901.57; and the power of sale contained in the Mortgage has become operative by reason of the default. The Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged property at public auction on the highest bid on Friday January 18, 2019, at 10:00 o'clock, a.m., at the front entrance of the Schoolcraft County Courthouse, in the City of Manistiquette, County of Schoolcraft, State of Michigan, the place of holding Circuit Court in said County. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, together with interest at 8.75% per annum, legal costs and attorney's fees permitted by law, and also any taxes or insurance premiums that the mortgagee pays before the sale. The mortgaged property is located in the City of Manistiquette, County of Schoolcraft, State of Michigan, and is more particularly described as follows: Part of Government Lot 3, Section 12, Township 41 North, Range 16 West, described as beginning 297 feet North of the intersection of the North line of Elk Street and the East line of Cedar Street, thence North 99 feet, thence East 214 feet, thence South 99 feet, thence West 214 feet to the point of beginning. The street address of the foreclosed property is 228 North Cedar Street, Manistiquette, Michigan 49854. Under Michigan Compiled Law 600.3278, if the mortgaged property is sold at the foreclosure sale, the mortgagor and any other person liable on the mortgage will be held responsible to the person or entity who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the mortgaged property during the redemption period. The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of the sale. However, if the mortgaged property is deemed abandoned in accordance with Michigan Compiled Law 600.3274, the redemption period for an abandoned property shall be thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or until the time to provide the notice required by said Michigan Compiled Law 600.3241(c) expires, whichever is later. Date: December 14, 2018. Limestone Federal Credit Union Mortgagee
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DNR reflections

"The new program is the ideal source for landowners to find highly qualified foresters to help them manage their forest land," said Deb Begalle, chief of the DNR's Forest Resources Division.

Nearly two-thirds of Michigan's 20 million acres of forest are privately owned; the state manages an estimated 4 million acres of public forest.

The DNR also manages 360,000 acres of state game areas. At game areas throughout Michigan, DNR staffers have been harvesting timber to create early successional forest habitat.

The selective cutting of mature pine and aspen stands encourages the growth of young forests, which provide vital habitat for ruffed grouse, American woodcock, deer, elk and golden-winged warblers.

"This important work may look destructive while in progress, but the result is outstanding habitat for many game and non-game wildlife species," said DNR Wildlife Division Chief Russ Mason.

Late in 2018, in partnership with Pheasants Forever and the Hal and Jean Glassen Foundation, the DNR launched its new Adopt-A-Game-Area program, which encourages individuals and organizations to sponsor grassland habitat projects on state-managed lands they own or value.

"Grasslands give important benefits to both wildlife and people. In addition to providing habitat and food resources for many wildlife species, grasslands also improve water and air quality," said Al Stewart, DNR upland game bird specialist.

Stewart said grassland pollinators, like bees and monarch butterflies, help to generate crops that keep the country fed. Throughout Michigan, many grasslands are being converted to agriculture and development. Grasslands now are one of the rarest habitat types in the world.

Expanded support of this program, through sponsorships, will provide valuable nesting, brood-rearing, foraging and winter habitat for a wide range of wildlife, including deer, turkeys, pheasants, ducks, rabbits, songbirds and pollinators.

"This year, the DNR has been intensely focused on mitigating impacts from chronic wasting disease on Michigan's white-tailed deer population. This fatal disease has been found in free-ranging deer in Clinton, Dickinson, Eaton, Gratiot, Ingham, Ionia, Jackson, Kent, and Montcalm counties.

Following public engagement meetings and surveys, hunting regulations were changed for the 2018 deer hunting seasons to address concerns of CWD. The DNR also provided additional staffed deer check locations as well as drop boxes for hunters to submit their harvested deer for testing. More than 30,000 deer were checked and tested this year.

The coming year will see continued efforts to maintain the health of Michigan's deer herd. For the latest information and updates on chronic wasting disease, visit michigan.gov/cwd.

The DNR also keeps a close eye on the health of Michigan's fish, working continuously with Michigan State University's Aquatic Animal Health Lab to be at forefront of disease identification, but

also regularly analyzing groups of wild fish to test for diseases and performing fish health inspections at state hatcheries and on hatchery-reared fish.

In 2018, the DNR's Office of the Great Lakes completed restoration of historical environmental impacts on the Menominee River, started the Saginaw Bay Fish Reef restoration project and made strides in implementing goals established in the Michigan Water Strategy.

The OGL staff also worked in communities to protect coastal resources, helped establish an alliance of Great Lakes island communities and facilitated the development of shared harbor visions in waterfront communities.

As it has each year since its introduction in 2014, the Invasive Species Grant Program – implemented by the Michigan departments of Agriculture and Rural Development, Environmental Quality and Natural Resources – provided roughly \$3.6 million in 2018 for projects designed to prevent, detect, eradicate and control invasive pests on the land and in the water.

Because of this grant program, more than 285,000 acres of land and water have been surveyed for invasive species; more than 18,000 acres have been treated for invasive terrestrial and aquatic plants; and millions of people have been reached with educational information about invasive species.

"It's clear that Michigan's Invasive Species Grant Program is accomplishing many of the goals set for the program at the very start," said Creagh. "The fight to stop, contain and eradicate invasive species from Michigan's woods and water is critical to the long-term protection of these valuable natural resources, and this grant program is helping in that fight."

Protecting the state's natural resources and citizens

Located in every county of the state, Michigan conservation officers are first responders who provide lifesaving operations in the communities they serve. They are fully commissioned state peace officers who provide natural resources protection, ensure recreational safety and protect citizens by enforcing Michigan's laws and regulations.

"A conservation officer has chosen to not only protect our people and local communities as first responders – they have devoted their career to being front-line defenders of our natural resources," said DNR Law Enforcement Division Chief Gary Hagler.

As community first responders, several conservation officers were involved in lifesaving actions during 2018, including saving a woman from drowning, rescuing people involved in snowmobile and kayak accidents and those stranded in Lake Huron and on the edge of a cliff overlooking Lake Superior. As a result, eight conservation officers received the Michigan DNR Lifesaving Award.

The DNR Conservation Officer Academy graduated 24 new conservation officers in 2018. The new officers were selected from nearly 500 applicants to be a part of Recruit School No. 9 – the DNR's 23-week training academy based in Lansing.

"Our division selects the most

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highly qualified candidates to receive additional training that no other law enforcement agency in the state offers," Hagler said. "Our officers are molded into quality people who are embedded within the communities they serve."

As Michigan's oldest statewide law enforcement agency, the DNR Law Enforcement Division continues to expand its abilities to protect our natural resources. The 252 officers budgeted for the 2019 fiscal year is an all-time high.

Connecting people with the outdoors

Since the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year, over 1,000 educators have received the DNR's free wildlife curricula for their classrooms, information that helps give students an understanding of Michigan's wildlife and their habitats. Kindergarten through high school educators can get these resources for use in the second half of the school year. Featured species include waterfowl, black bears and elk.

The DNR recently – after two years of mapping and reviewing the condition of the state forest roads it maintains across both peninsulas – completed an initial inventory used to create interactive maps showing where ORV use is allowed on these roads. The maps will be available online at michigan.gov/forestroads and updated each spring.

Look for an early 2019 "Showcasing the DNR" story detailing the efforts to map state forest roads, a resource to help people get out and enjoy Michigan's public forests.

The DNR's work in providing GIS products and services gained national recognition at the annual Esri User Conference, when the department earned a Special Achievement in GIS Award for its innovative application of mapping, data analytics and thought leadership.

"Within the past 20 years, the DNR has implemented an enterprise GIS system to support the growing needs and challenges of caring for Michigan's natural resources and connecting the public to those resources," said Dave Forst, DNR GIS manager and chief data steward.

"As web GIS has become more prevalent, we've leveraged the benefits of increased communication and data accuracy to provide customers with the best possible data on trails, water, minerals, trees, wildlife, fish and other areas."

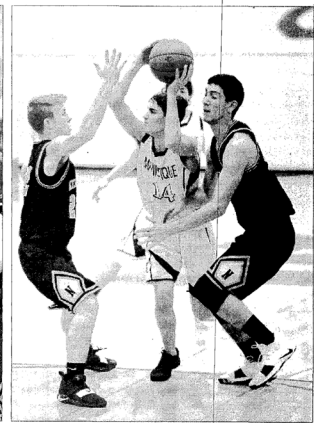
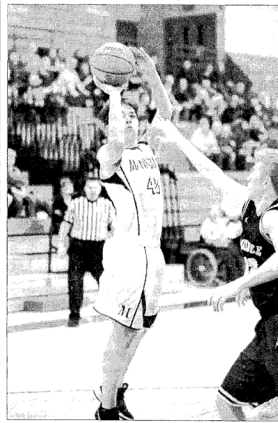
This includes online tools – like the Open Data Portal, interactive maps, story maps and customized apps – aimed at connecting outdoor enthusiasts and natural resources professionals with the information they need.

This is just a brief glimpse of a year in the life of the DNR. More information about the department's broad range of work to ensure healthy natural resources and outdoor recreation is available on the DNR website, redesigned in 2018 to make it easier to use, at michigan.gov/dnr.



Joe LeBlanc photos

Pictured at top, Kanton Lauzon attempts to shoot over a Miner in the first half of last Friday's home match-up against Negaunee. Lower left, with eyes on the net, Igor Marine lines up for two. Lower right, heavily pressured by the Miners, Wyatt Gierke looks for support from his team.



Bennett Scholarship developed at Bay College

ESCANABA—A new scholarship to support Bay College students was recently developed by Diane and Bill Bennett of Escanaba. Diane is a retired nursing instructor, teaching health care courses at Bay College over a 29-year span, working in the field for 45 years, and a graduate of the first Associate Degree Nursing class at Bay de Noe Community College.

"Practicing healthcare and teaching nursing has been a very rewarding and enjoyable career. I feel I have been able to positively assist so many patients and students through the years" quoted Diane. This scholarship will be awarded each year to a non-traditional student demonstrating financial need,

with a preference to nursing. Bill was also an educator, teaching math for 36 years. Both are excited to give back to students who start their education a little later in life.

Kim Carne, Vice President of Advancement/Foundation at Bay College stated: "We are honored that the Bennett's have chosen Bay College students to support. With their generous scholarship gift, many students will be a step closer to earning a college degree, advancing their lives, and impacting communities."

Founded in 1972, the Bay College Foundation connects businesses, organizations and individuals to the rewards of changing lives and

advancing communities with higher education. For more information on the Bay College Foundation or if you are interested in creating a scholarship of giving the gift of education, visit www.baycollege.edu/foundation, email foundation@baycollege.edu or phone (906) 217-1700.

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