

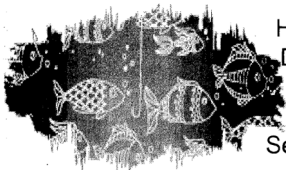
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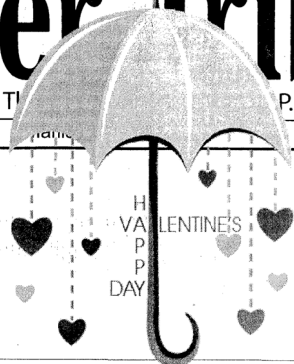
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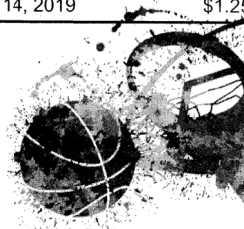
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Council to explore recreational marijuana business 'opt out' in city

Hancock mayor offers guidance on ordinance in light of pot legalization

MANISTIQUE – An ordinance allowing the city to “opt out” of allowing recreational marijuana businesses within the community is being considered by Manistique City Council. During its regular meeting Monday, council was consulted by the mayor of Hancock, Mich. – which recently adopted its own ordinance to opt out.

The Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act went into effect shortly after Michigan residents overwhelming approved a ballot initiative legalizing the recreational use of marijuana in Michigan in the November 2018 election.

The law:

- Allows individuals 21 and older to purchase, possess, and use marijuana and marijuana-infused edibles, and grow up to 12 marijuana plants for personal consumption;
- Imposes a 10-ounce limit for marijuana kept at residences and require amounts over 2.5 ounces be secured in locked containers;

- Creates a state licensing system for marijuana businesses and allow municipalities to ban or restrict them;

- Permits retail sales of marijuana and edibles subject to a 10 percent tax, dedicated to implementation costs, clinical trials, schools, roads, and municipalities where marijuana businesses are located; and

- Changes several current violations from crimes to civil infractions.

If a municipality elects to allow marijuana-related businesses within its boundaries, they may enact ordinances that do not conflict the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, including imposing up to a \$500 fine

Quick facts

- After voters approved the legalization of marijuana in the November 2018, the legalization took effect Dec. 6, 2018.
- Now, cities across the state may choose whether or not they will allow recreational marijuana establishments within their communities.
- The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs has been charged with developing and implementing the rules and regulations relating to the legalization by Dec. 6, 2019.
- Cities wishing to opt-out of allowing recreational marijuana establishments must approve an ordinance specifying the opt out before LARA implements its rules and begins accepting applications from potential businesses.

for the violation of any ordinance. Additionally, a municipality may charge an annual fee of up to \$5,000 to defray application, administrative, and enforcement costs associated with allowing the operation of a marijuana establishment within its boundaries.

Alternatively, a municipality may completely prohibit or limit the number of marijuana establishments within its boundaries.

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs is in charge of implementing and publicizing rules to implement and administer the act. All state licenses are effective for one year, and the department will begin accepting application for marijuana establishments within 12 months after the effective date of the act (Dec. 6, 2018).

If LARA does not process applications within one year after the effective date of the act, an applicant may submit

an application for a marijuana establishment directly to the municipality where the facility will be located. The municipality will then need to issue a municipal license to the applicant within 90 days of receipt, unless that applicant is not in compliance with the act.

According to Mayor John Haussler of Hancock, the decision for Hancock to opt out of allowing recreational marijuana establishments within its community was made after thorough research into the matter.

“Unlike the medical marijuana laws and acts, the recreational law starts with everyone being “in”, Haussler explained. “You had to opt in to allow medical marijuana businesses in your community, so if you took no action, no business could start up ... in the recreational law, everyone is effectively “in”, and if you don’t opt out, you’re in for whatever rules and regulations the state promulgates.”

He noted that there is no indication of when the state will finalize and release the recreational marijuana rules and regulation.

“The risk for the municipality is ... the ordinance ... has to be in effect at the time the state is receiving the applications for business licenses,” Haussler said. “If the state were to promulgate its rules and regulations ... most municipalities don’t have time to get an ordinance in place to say how they want to handle things at that point.”

He pointed out that some of the Hancock City Council members thought that pursuing the passage of an opt-out ordinance felt “really fast and reactionary”.

“It was fast and reactionary because we wanted to have something in place because we just don’t know whether the state’s going to take all the way to December (2019) or whether they’re going to open up applications this summer or whether they’re going to open up applications this

City opt out

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News Brief



CBC seeking third charity to benefit from fund drive

MANISTIQUE – The CBC is looking for eligible charities interested in becoming the third designated recipient for the annual fund drive. The CBC annually supports three worthy charities – the American Cancer Society, Bay Cliff Health Camp, and a community charity, which is selected each year from a pool of applicants.

To qualify, a charity need not reside in Schoolcraft County, but does need to serve Schoolcraft County residents. The charity must have a current 501c3 designation and fulfill one of the following needs: access to food and clothing; poverty; access to health care or contribute to the health welfare of the community.

Past charities include the Beacon House, St. Vincent de Paul, the Manistique Senior Center Loan Closet, Flight for Life, the Medical Care Access Coalition, and the Beacon House.

The selected charity is asked to participate in the CBC radio/television April 14.

All interested charities may submit a letter of request that includes contact information, 501c3 information, the charity’s mission, and the approximate number of Schoolcraft County residents served.

Letters of interest may be sent by mail or email: Bob Crumb, CEO of Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital 7870W U.S. Highway 2, Manistique, MI 49854 or crumb@smh.org. The deadline for any charity wishing to become the third “C” must be submitted by Feb. 28.

Group brings in law firm to address board appointment

Attorney letter states appointee may be seated

MANISTIQUE – Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital may soon have a full slate of trustees for its board. The Pioneer Tribune has learned that the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners’ recent failure to approve an appointment to the SMH Board of Trustees – on two separate occasions – prompted action by a group of concerned citizens and businesses.

The appointment of Russell Poole to the SMH Board of Trustees first failed to move forward at the Dec. 27, 2018 commissioner meeting. Then-commissioners Chris Rantanen and Larry Mersnick voted in favor of Poole’s appointment, while commissioners Allan Ott and Craig Reiter voted against his appointment. With the abstention of Dan Hohlolik, who works for SMH, the appointment failed to be either confirmed or denied.

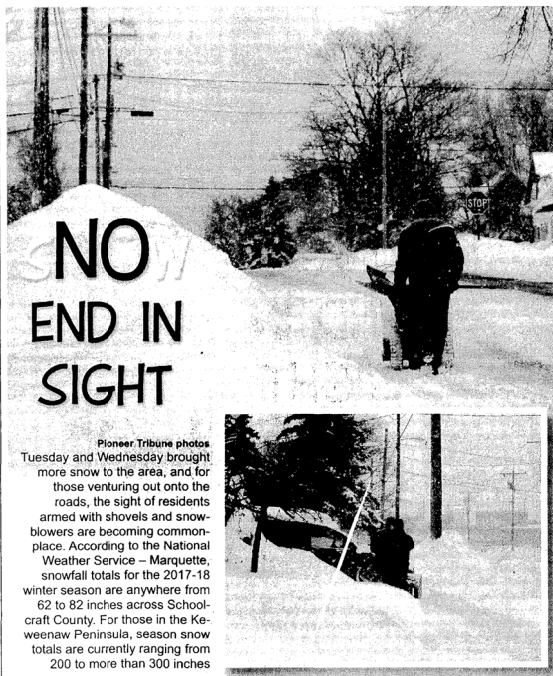
Then, at the commissioners Jan. 24, 2019 meeting, newly seated Commissioner John Shiner voted to appoint Poole to the SMH Board of Trustees. However, Corey Barr (also newly seated, Ott, and Reiter, voted against the appointment.

Hohlolik again abstained.

As a result of the two failed appointments, a group of concerned citizens and businesses retained the services of Honigman LLP, a law firm out of Lansing, Mich., who, in turn, issued the following letter to the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners. The letter, which challenges the commissioners’ actions on Dec. 27, 2018, also advises the SMH Board of Trustees to seat Poole immediately.

“Dear commissioners: Our firm has been retained by a group of concerned citizens and businesses with the purpose to continually ensure all local government entities operate within appropriate, legal process and temperament in terms of their statutory fiduciary oversight. One example of such a situation is the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners (“the Board”) authority to disapprove of candidates to the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees (“the

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Pioneer Tribune photos Tuesday and Wednesday brought more snow to the area, and for those venturing out onto the roads, the sight of residents armed with shovels and snowblowers are becoming commonplace. According to the National Weather Service – Marquette, snowfall totals for the 2017-18 winter season are anywhere from 62 to 82 inches across Schoolcraft County. For those in the Keweenaw Peninsula, season snow totals are currently ranging from 200 to more than 300 inches

Events

Feb. 15, 16, 17 – Open skate, Little Bear West Arena, Friday and Saturday 6-9 p.m., Sunday 5-8 p.m.

Feb. 18, 20 – Open swim, Manistique Middle and High School pool, 6-8 p.m.

Feb. 16, 17 – 20th annual McDonald Lake Ice Fishing Derby, McDonald Lake in Gulliver

Feb. 21 – Annual Hot Dog Roast, Manistique Senior Center, 4 p.m.

Feb. 23 – SnoFest Frosty 5K Run/Walk, Manistique Central Park, registration 9 a.m., race at 10 a.m.

Feb. 23 – SnoFest Little Jiggers Ice Fishing Derby, Manistique Central Park, registration 9 a.m., fishing 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

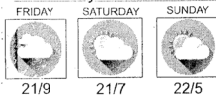
March 2 – Manistique Elks Lodge No. 632 Chili Cook-off, Manistique Elks Lodge, 5 p.m.

March 8 – CBC Celebrity Bartending and Auction, Marley’s Bar and Grill, 6 p.m.

March 9 – CBC Basketball Tournament, Manistique Middle and High School and Emeralds Elementary gymnasiums

March 17 – Soup Luncheon for the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter, Manistique Senior Center, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

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Mackinac Financial Corporation reports 2018 fourth quarter and annual results

MANISTIQUE — Mackinac Financial Corporation (Nasdaq: MFNC) (the "Corporation"), the bank holding company for mBank, today announced 2018 net income of \$8.37 million, or \$.94 per share, compared to 2017 net income of \$5.48 million, or \$.87 per share.

The 2018 results included expenses related to the acquisitions of First Federal of Northern Michigan ("FFNM"), and Lincoln Community Bank ("Lincoln"), which had a collective after-tax impact of \$2.46 million on earnings. The 2017 results include the effects of a \$2.02 million non-cash tax expense related to the revaluation of the company's Deferred Tax Asset ("DTA") as a result of the corporate tax code change in December 2017 and a small amount of transaction expenses related to FFNM. Adjusted core income (net of transaction related expenses) for 2018 was \$10.83 million or \$1.22 per share compared to 2017 adjusted core income (net of the DTA expense) of \$7.54 million, or \$1.20 per share.

Weighted average shares outstanding for 2018 were 8,891,967 compared to 6,288,791 for 2017. Weighted average shares outstanding for the fourth quarter 2018 were 10,712,745 compared to 6,294,930 for the same period of 2017. The Corporation issued 2,146,378 new shares for the FFNM purchase in May 2018 and issued an additional 2,225,807 shares related to the common stock offering completed in June 2018.

The Corporation had fourth quarter 2018 net income of \$3.36 million or \$.31 per share compared to a \$20 thousand loss (\$0.00 per share) for the same period of 2017 due to the impact of the DTA revaluation. The 2018 fourth quarter results were impacted by acquisition related expenses of \$386 thousand on an after-tax basis. 2018 fourth quarter income, excluding tax-affected transaction related expenses, was \$3.75 million or \$.35 per share compared to 2017 income, net of the DTA expense, of \$2.07 million or \$0.33 per share.

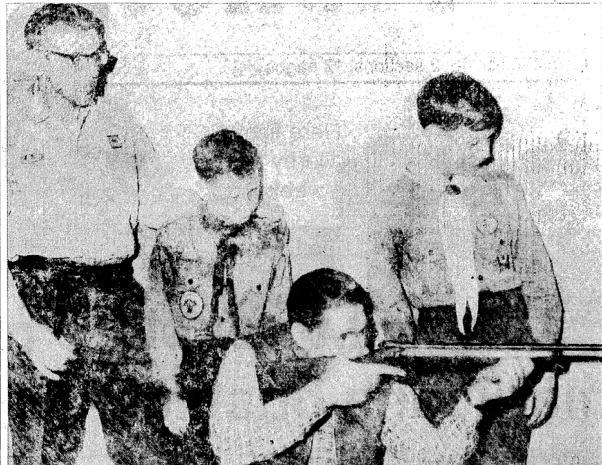
Total assets of the Corporation at

December 31, 2018 were \$1.32 billion, compared to \$985.37 million at December 31, 2017. Shareholders' equity at December 31, 2018 totaled \$152.07 million, compared to \$81.40 million at December 31, 2017. Book value per share outstanding equated to \$14.20 at year-end 2018 compared to \$12.93 per share outstanding a year ago. Tangible book value at year-end 2018 was \$124.33 million or \$11.61 per share outstanding compared to \$73.78 million or \$11.72 per share at year-end 2017.

Additional notes:
 • mBank, the Corporation's primary asset, recorded net income of \$9.04 million in 2018, compared to \$8.98 million in 2017. In December 2018, mBank had an internal tax allocation expense between it and the Corporation (MFNC) of \$1.34 million. This adjustment resulted from the internal DTA allocation from 2017 and did not have an impact on the consolidated

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Flashback



Ready, aim, learn

Pioneer Tribune Archive photo
 From the February 20, 1969 edition, Dallas Dunning demonstrates the proper technique while Bill Hicks and Boy Scouts Mike Repp and Mike McKenzie watch. The two men are conducting a gun safety and shooting class, sponsored by the local rifle and pistol club, weekly at the armory.

The Archives

This week in the Pioneer Tribune

50 years ago

February 13, 1969

A combined county-wide drive to raise funds for the Schoolcraft County Cancer Society, the Bay Cliff Health Camp and the local chapter of Crippled Children and Adults will be held late in March. The campaign will be known as the CBC Fund Drive, and will be highlighted with a radiothon on station WTQ on Palm Sunday, March 30, starting at 1 p.m. from the St. Francis de Sales Parish Church. Co-chairmen of the drive are Fr. Daniel C. Zolaga, assistant pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, and Rev. Roy Pitts, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Local talent to participate in the radiothon is being sought but Mrs. Richard Marsh, assisted by Sister Colleen of the St. Francis de Sales School staff. Any local talent wishing to participate in the program should contact Mrs. Marsh. The special radio program, during which pledges for the fund drive will be accepted by phone, will run for at least six hours, and longer if interest and talent are available.

A unique scholarship program has been established through the Manistique Community School in memory of the late Don Messier. These scholarships, believed to be the only ones of their kind in the state, will be offered to a graduate of the adult education program of the Manistique Community School, or a person who has

successfully completed a minimum resident requirement of two units of work. Four scholarships will be available to help adult students further their education in a approved program of their choice. Such a program may be in a university, college, junior college, trade school, vocational school, business school, or any course of study approved by the scholarship committee. Before his death last Sept. 9, Mr. Messier had played an active part in the development of the Community School project in Manistique. He was one of a group of 17 area citizens who attended a Community School Workshop in Flint in 1964, and worked enthusiastically toward the establishment of a similar program here. Final arrangements for the scholarship were announced by Community School Director Richard Bonifas and Mrs. Messier Monday.

The big move to the new Lakeside School will take place the weekend of Feb. 28. An inspection of the school was held Feb. 4 by the architect, builder and school officials. Supt. Edwin Wuehle said the biggest problem at this time is that the carpeting installed by a sub-contractor appears to have been put in incorrectly, and that \$2,500 payment is being withheld to ensure the problem is resolved. The new building was turned over to the district Feb. 7, and maintenance workers are now testing it and getting it ready for the big move.

35 years ago

February 16, 1984

General Telephone is closing their Manistique business office effective Feb. 20, it was announced this week. The change will not affect customer service but only the location of doing business with General Telephone, according to Bob Kowalski, northern division manager. The change is part of the company's continuing program to reduce operation expenses. After Feb. 20 the General Telephone business office on S. Maple St. will no longer accept payments nor will it act as a pick-up and drop-off point for telephone. The C-L True Value Hardware in Manistique has been selected to serve as a pick-up and drop-off point for telephone equipment.

An early Valentine caught City Council by surprise Monday night. The bill, from Manistique Rentals for \$8,028 for work at the landfill produced extended discussion at the regular meeting and also resulted in a

four-hour conference on Tuesday. City Manager Charles Varnum said Wednesday that the city has rejected that portion of the billing that covers the time between May 1982 and December 1983. Charges since December will be negotiated he said. The billing was a surprise because it was the first the city had heard of the charges. Varnum said it covered extra sand and other work at the sanitary landfill that the city contends is included in the regular contract. Since December, however, it has been necessary to cover the garbage with sand because the landfill is full, and the city agreed to negotiate on this work, which is not included in the original agreement. Tuesday's conference over the disputed late billing included Varnum, Public Works Supt. Ole Sholander, George Rubick of the County DPW, City Attorney Bruce Plackowski, and representatives of Manistique Rentals.

20 years ago

February 18, 1999

Circuit Court Judge Charles Stark has ruled that Schoolcraft County and the county's Department of Public Works are not liable for any closure costs at the City of Manistique landfill. The City of Manistique sued the county and its public works department over sharing landfill closure costs in July 1996, and the case filed suit against the eight townships in the county and Manistique Rentals, Inc. as well, but these parties were dismissed from the lawsuit in the summer of 1998. Stark issued his written ruling on the case Friday, Feb. 12.

MAS Superintendent Kenneth Groh received a contract extension and salary increase following a closed session evaluation, Monday, Feb. 15, by the district's Board of Education. Board President Ingmar Levin said Groh received a rating that rounds to 3.6 on a four-point scale. "We gave him that kind of rating on behalf of the work he's done to promote the schools and for his involvement in the community," Levin said. Following the board's annual performance evaluation, it extended Groh's contract through June 30, 2004. Groh was awarded a two percent salary increase along with the extension.

10 years ago

February 19, 2009

On Feb. 7, the Manistique Area Kiwanis Club held its fourth annual Father-Daughter Dinner Dance. Over 100 dads and daughters were in attendance with the youngest daughter just three years old. The oldest almost 40. The night featured dinner and dancing to music by Darrell Dixon, games, photos by Portraits Plus and more. The fund-raiser to help the club sponsor the annual summer visit by Missoula Children's Theatre, which takes place each July. This year, the visiting theatre will cast local children in a production of "Rumpelstiltskin."

The long search for a Mid-Peninsula Conference championship finally paid off for the Lady Emeralds swim team in Negawega Feb. 11. The Mid-Pen crown has eluded the girls since swimming and diving became part of the sport roster at MHS. They came close to the title several times, but always came away disappointed. That all changed last week. Armed with an abundance of talent, the 2008-2009 girls earned 353 points, beating runners-up Negawega by 22 to claim the championship. Four first-place finishes and a new school record paved the way for the Emeralds' title quest.



Keep on exploring

Courtesy photos
 Emerald Elementary Exceptional Explorers for the week of Feb. 11 were, at top, from left to right: Lincoln Floyd, kindergarten; Karolynn Hines, first grade; and Kayden Siewert second grade. Above, left: Jenna Frain, third grade. Middle: Allie Renik, fourth grade; and Arianna Perry, fifth grade. Above, right: Clara Goudreau, preschool.

Dear Editor,
 The UPHS Regional Blood Center would like to thank Phyllis Burge, Lila Panek, and the Amity Group members for hosting blood drives in the month of January. As a result of everyone's effort, we collected an outstanding 33 pints of blood.
 Seventy pints has the potential to save 99 lives. We would also like to thank all of our blood donors for taking the time to give the "gift of life."
 Thank you for supporting your community blood center.
 Sallie Coron
 UPHS Regional Blood Center

Dear Editor,
 I am writing this concerning the closure of the courthouse on Friday Feb. 8. I made the decision

Letters to the Editor

to close the courthouse building the evening before, based on all the information I had at the time.
 The storm with snow-ice and high winds that was due to impact northern and southern Schoolcraft County, ended up missing us for the most part. I was in contact with the road commission, and weather services and all information pointed to us getting hit fully by the storm that was already starting to impact us.
 I was concerned for the safety of our county employee's and the safety of people using the county services due to the possible hazardous road conditions. It is a lengthy process involved in our closure.
 The county does not have a delivery system for closure like the schools. We have set up a procedure for closures, but it still takes having lead time to contact all the different components involved and get the word out to the entire county.
 That is why I made the decision the night before. I apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused people, due to the closure, for a storm that fortunately ended up not living up to its potential.
 The decision was solely mine, and I take full responsibility.
 Craig A Reiter
 Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners chairperson

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Courtesy photos
Area students recently participated in District Spelling Bee competition. Those placing included students from Big Bay de Noc, Emerald Elementary, Manistique Middle School, and St. Francis de Sales School.

Students compete in spelling bee

MANISTIQUE — Twenty-three students representing three different schools in Manistique competed in the District Spelling Bee recently.

The following students, from Emerald Elementary, St. Francis de Sales School, and Manistique Middle School, placed during the competition:

Fourth Grade
First place - Adeline Irving
Second place - Connor Tennyson
Third place - Lilly Smith
Fourth place - Kieran "Frankie" Randall

Fifth Grade
First place - Bella LaVigne
Second place - Maya Carlson
Third place - Jayden Veltkamp
Fourth place - Aly Petrelius
Fifth place - Ella Henry



Sixth Grade
First place - Ava Kusnier
Second place - Kevin Baker
Third place - Nick Frankovich
Fourth place - Clara Cunningham
Fifth place - Carter LaVigne
Seventh Grade
First place - Mikayla Aldrich
Second place - Linnea Way
Third place - Tammy Nadeau
Eighth Grade
First place - Maddy Maline
Second place - Kelsey Muth
Third place - Jon VanDyck
Fourth place - Elizabeth Tosil
Fifth place - Sarah McDaniel

Big Bay de Noc School also competed in the District Spelling Bee. The winners were as follows:
Fifth Grade
First place - Maxwell Pomeroy
Second place - Kelsey Frankovich

Third place - Caragan Thill
Sixth Grade
First place - Dixie Morris
Second place - Lila Morris
Third place - Brayden Ansell
Seventh Grade
First place - Braedon Thill
Second place - Graeynn Durance
Third place - Ella Calouette
Eighth Grade

First place - Riley Harvey
Second place - Katelyn DeKeyser
Third place - Caleb Jasmin
Students in grades fifth through eighth who took first or second place will advance to the Regional Level Spelling Bee Feb. 25. The event takes place at St. Francis de Sales School and competition begins at 6 p.m.

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Winter Moon Walk
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The Healing Garden committee has organized an evening of adventure and fun! Walk or snowshoe the Healing Garden path at SMH. (the path is approximately 3/4 of a mile.) Join us for a full moon, fire with marshmallows, smores and hot cocoa.
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TOWNSHIPS	AGRICULTURAL RATIO FACTOR	COMMERCIAL RATIO FACTOR	INDUSTRIAL RATIO FACTOR	RESIDENTIAL RATIO FACTOR	TIMBER-CUTOVER RATIO FACTOR	DEVELOPMENTAL RATIO FACTOR	PERSONAL PROP RATIO FACTOR
DOYLE TOWNSHIP	44.22 1.13071	50.32 0.99364	51.24 0.97950	46.69 1.07112	N/C	N/A	N/A
GERMFAK TOWNSHIP	46.27 1.08081	45.08 1.10914	N/C	N/A	54.58 0.91809	N/C	N/A
HEBERTS TOWNSHIP	47.53 1.05486	51.70 0.97456	50.45 0.98328	50.05 0.99900	N/C	N/A	N/A
INWOOD TOWNSHIP	50.69 0.98639	48.98 1.02082	46.96 1.06476	49.46 1.00000	52.06 0.96043	N/C	N/A
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MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP	N/C	N/A	42.07 1.18850	44.93 1.13284	48.87 1.02312	45.09 1.10889	N/C
SENEY TOWNSHIP	N/C	N/A	48.74 1.02585	N/C	N/A	49.26 1.00000	N/C
TUMSEOR TOWNSHIP	50.40 0.99206	47.57 1.05108	51.64 0.96824	50.69 0.98458	N/C	N/A	N/A
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News Briefs

HNF: Road permits needed in National Forest

GLADSTONE — Following the recent intense winter weather, Hiawatha National Forest Supervisor Cid Morgan reminds residents that road use permits are required for certain uses of Forest Service roads. For instance, if hauling timber or gravel, or if clearing snow from a road within the Forest's boundaries, residents are required to obtain a permit in order to legally use public roads in this way. Individuals operating without required permits may be ticketed.

"Given the multiple uses that occur on Forest roads, certain road uses can pose serious safety risks. Resource damage and public safety concerns can develop with some uses," notes Morgan. "A primary purpose of the permit system is to minimize those risks. We want to avoid the hazards

posed by things like plowing or hauling." Individuals who are planning certain uses on Forest roads within the jurisdiction of the Hiawatha National Forest are required to obtain a permit before beginning that use. Permits provide guidance and specifications — including provisions for safety — that need to be followed when utilizing roads on the national forest. Some permits are free, while others include a fee.

To inquire about a permit, contact a local Forest Service office, which can help determine whether a permit is needed: West Zone (Munising, Manistique, Rapid River) — Tom North (906) 474-6442, ext. 132 East Zone (St Ignace, Sault Ste. Marie) — Todd Kenyon (906) 643-7900, ext. 141

Comedy hypnotist plans return to Bay College

ESCANABA — Bay College Campus Activities Board announces the return of comedy Hypnotist, Frederick Winters. Back by popular demand, Frederick will perform one night only Feb. 20.

Showtime is 7 p.m. in the Besse Center on the Bay College campus. Tickets are just \$2 for students, (kindergarten through college) and Bay faculty/staff, and \$5 general

admission. Tickets may be purchased in person at the Student Accounts Office in the Student Services Building, or online at baycollege.tix.com/Schedule.aspx?OrgNum=3755.

This show is part of the Campus Activities Board schedule of events, and more information can be found at www.facebook.com/baycabf.

State Police warning of malicious email scam

LANSING — The Michigan State Police, Michigan Cyber Command Center is noticing an increase in fraudulent emails containing malicious links or attachments that are being sent to businesses and individuals across Michigan.

Recent emails have had subject lines that include terms such as "Invoice" or "Receipt". The email contains an attachment or link to download a PDF, MS Word or Excel document that contains malware.

Recent infections have been a result of the Emotet virus. Once

infected, the virus has been known to steal contact information from any email address book that the user maintains, which allows the scammer to send spoofed emails to the user's contacts.

Other side effects of the malware include the stealing of passwords or banking information, encryption of user files and spreading of the virus to other computers that may be connected to the user's network.

Additional information about this virus can be found at https://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/alerts/TA18-201A.

Police Log

Manistique Public Safety Department

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

Thursday, Feb. 7, 2019

7:15 a.m., alarm, River Street.
5:30 p.m., lock out, Pearl Street.

Friday, Feb. 8, 2019

10:40 a.m., identity fraud, River Street.
3:45 a.m., lift assist, Rivers Bend.

Saturday, Feb. 9, 2019

8:00 a.m., larceny of prescription drugs, Deer Street.
10:50 a.m., assist, Main Street.
9:10 p.m., lift assist, Main Street.
10:30 p.m., DWLS, within the city.

Sunday, Feb. 10, 2019

12:27 a.m., A/A K9 request, U.S. 2 at Garden Corners.
4:26 a.m., individual with a gun, Gulliver Lake Road.

Monday, Feb. 11, 2019

12:00 p.m., harassment, within the city.
3:20 p.m., disorderly person, within the city.
6:11 p.m., lock out, Lake Street.
11:46 p.m., loud music, N. Second Street.
4:19 a.m., DPW call out, drifting snow U.S. 2 and Veteran's Drive, Maple Street.

George C. Gustafson



George C. Gustafson

MANISTIQUE — George Carl Gustafson, 70 of Manistique, Mich., passed away Monday, Feb. 11, 2019, at home surrounded by his loving family.

He was born April 20, 1948, in Sault Ste Marie, Mich., to Carl Albert and Georgiana Lucille (Gaspar) Gustafson. George attended high school at St. Lawrence Seminary in Mount Calvary, Wis. He received his bachelor's degree in Moral Theology from The Catholic University of America in Washington D.C. He attended North American College in Rome, Italy and received his master's degree in Moral Theology.

Finally, he received his doctorate in Moral Theology from The Pontificia Universitas Lateranensis in Rome, Italy on Dec. 10, 1987. After returning from Rome, he both served the Diocese of Marquette as a parish priest in a number of locations in the U.P. and taught Moral Theology at St. John's Seminary in Plymouth, Mich.

He went to work at Boyne Mountain in reservations and later became the personnel manager at Jack's Fresh Market in Manistique where he worked until his retirement in 2014.

He married Kathleen Derwin in Petoskey, Mich., on July 20, 1998. They were members of St. Francis de Sales Parish.

He is known for being an avid

reader. He loved sports, especially the Detroit Lions. He enjoyed working in the garden, grocery shopping, and always cherished the time he spent with his family. George was also the chaplain for the Knights of Columbus.

He is survived by his loving wife Kathy; son, Donald (Marie) Lloyd of Bowie, Md.; brothers, Albert Gustafson of Orionville, Mich., Donald (Sherrie) Gustafson of St. Ignace, Mich.; sister-in-law, Denise Van Den Bosch, Tina Florok, and Terry LaVigne; brother-in-law, Fran Derwin, Tom Derwin and Tim Derwin; and his precious grandchildren, Cody and Conner Lloyd.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Howard Gustafson. Visitation will be held from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17, at Faussett Family Funeral Homes in Manistique.

A funeral service will be held at St. Francis de Sales Parish Monday, Feb. 18, at noon with Rev. Fr. Larry Vaudamme officiating.

Memorial donations, of the donors choosing, may be made in George's honor. Faussett Family Funeral Homes of Manistique and Garden is assisting the family with arrangements. Family and friends may send condolences or share a memory at faussetth.com.

Kristina K. Steinfeldt



Kristina K. Steinfeldt

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Kristina Kay Steinfeldt, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2019, at the age of 40. Kristina was born in Manistique, Mich. and resided in Gainesville, Fla. She was a 1997 graduate of LaBelle, Fla. and a 2002 graduate of the University of Florida.

Kristina is survived by her father, Dr. Bruce Steinfeldt, stepmother, Michelle Steinfeldt; siblings, Michelle Steinfeldt Barber (Tommy), Kurt Steinfeldt (Kim), Kirsten Steinfeldt Hackl (Janek), and Karl Steinfeldt (Melissa); Eddie Souza, companion and special friend; nieces and nephews, David, Chelsea (Austin), Kyle, Madeline, Ty, and Aiden.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Linda Steinfeldt.

Kristina's life was marked by her generous and giving spirit. Many who knew her have described her

as an angel walking in our midst with a quiet peacefulness. She truly was selfless with the biggest heart to animals and people. For her family she was a friend, confidant, a glass half full attitude, and always up for an adventure. She will always be our beautiful sister, daughter, and friend who put others before herself and had the precious gift of healing hands for all creatures great and small.

A direct cremation will take place. A celebration of life will be held on Feb. 23 at 3 p.m. at 500 SW 170th St., Newberry, Fla. and a Mass intention will be held on March 9 at 4:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Lake Orion, Mich. Donations are encouraged to the Humane Society of North Central Florida where Kristina was an active volunteer or your local animal shelter in Kristina's honor.

Barbara 'Bobbie' L. Winters



Barbara "Bobbie" L. Winters

MANISTIQUE — Barbara "Bobbie" Lynn Winters, 61, of Manistique, Mich., passed away peacefully at home while battling cancer on Friday, Feb. 9, 2019.

Born Jan. 1, 1958, in Manistique, she was the daughter of Gordon Floyd and Charlene (Kerriage) Gould. She attended Manistique High School graduating in 1976.

She spent the majority of her life in the Hiawatha area and worked for the Kewadin Casino as the assistant manager. Feb. 23, 1974, she wed William H. Henry at the Hiawatha Country Church and completed their family with their son Willie and daughter Misty.

Bobbie has remained a member of the Hiawatha Country Church. She found great joy in gardening, canning, making jam, and especially baking with her granddaughters. She loved all the time she was able to spend with her grandchildren. She also enjoyed her time outdoors fishing.

She is survived by her son, Willie (Sara Loiselle) Henry of Manistique; daughter, Misty (Andrew) Weber

She is preceded in death by her loving husband; parents; and sister, Michele Vandenbogart.

Visitation will be held from 12-3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, at Faussett Family Funeral Homes in Manistique. A funeral service will be held at 3 p.m. with Pastor Paul Varonti officiating. Following services, a luncheon will be held in Bobbie's honor at the Tribal Center.

Memorial donations may be directed to the Hiawatha Country Church.

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

Esther S. Bartok



Esther S. Bartok

WARREN, Mich. — Esther Squires Bartok, 75 of Warren, Mich., passed away at her home Friday, Feb. 8, 2019.

She was born March 18, 1942, in Chicago, Ill., daughter of Richard and Marion (Squires) Popour. She completed high school at St. Clements Catholic School in Centerline, Mich.

She married the love of her life, Ernest Bartok, in Warren, Mich., on Oct. 20, 1962. They remained in Warren while they began and raised their family.

Esther enjoyed her work as a cake decorator. She was a member of the Southeast Michigan Indians (SEMI), as well as, a part of the Chippewa Sioux Indian Tribe where she was known to craft native goods like her bead work, leather work, and dancing shawls. She found some of her greatest joy

being around her family and grandchildren.

She is survived by her loving husband; sons, Michael Bartok of Warren and Darrin (Judy) Bartok of Garden, Mich.; daughter, Nicole (Brian) Buckles of Warren; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, at Faussett Family Funeral Homes in Manistique. A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. with Rev. Fr. Ben Paris officiating.

Memorial donations may be directed to the Senior Citizen Center in Manistique.

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

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MFNC reported income or balance sheet for 2018. It was, however, reflected in the mBank 2018 year-end Call Report. Adjusted core net income for 2018 (including total adjustments for the tax reallocation and transaction related expenses of \$3.16 million on an after-tax basis) was \$12.20 million compared to 2017 core net income of the aforementioned \$8.98 million. Adjusted bank core net income grew approximately 36%.

As expected, FFNM and Lincoln have been fully integrated into the Corporation and mBank as of year-end 2018. No further significant transaction related expenses are expected from these acquisitions in 2019 and beyond.

Adjusted income before taxes of the Corporation (net of pre-tax transaction related expenses) was \$13.71 million in 2018 compared to \$11.12 million in 2017, which eliminates the effect of the non-cash DTA expense year-over-year. Adjusted fourth quarter income before taxes was \$4.75 million in 2018 compared to \$2.94 million in 2017, an increase of 61%.

Reliance on higher cost brokered deposits decreased significantly from \$175.30 million or 21.43% of total deposits at year-end 2017 to \$136.76 million or 12.46% of total deposits at year-end 2018.

2018 net interest margin (NIM) remains strong at 4.44%. Core operating margin, which is net of accretion from acquired loans that were subject to purchase accounting adjustments, was 4.21%.

Total revenue of the Corporation for 2018 was \$59.64 million compared to \$48.42 million in 2017. Total revenue for the three months ended December 31, 2018 equated to \$17.54 million compared to \$12.71 million for the same period of 2017. Total interest income for 2018 was \$55.38 million compared to \$44.38 million for the same period in 2017. Fourth quarter interest income equated to \$16.09 million compared to \$11.39 million in the fourth quarter of 2017. The 2018 fourth quarter interest income included accretive yield of \$946 thousand from combined credit mark accretion associated with acquisitions compared to \$503 thousand in the same period of 2017.

Total balance sheet loans at December 31, 2018 were \$1.04 billion compared to December 31, 2017 balances of \$811.08 million. Total loans under management now reside at \$1.38 billion, which includes \$338.17 million of service retained loans. New loan production for 2018 was \$287 million, with origination activity increasing through the second half of the year, as expected. Commercial originations accounted for \$169 million, retail (predominantly mortgage), equated to \$46 million, secondary market mortgage production was \$37 million and Asset Based Lending (ABL) \$15 million.

Commenting on new loan production and overall lending activities, President of the Corporation and President and CEO of mBank, Kelly W. George, stated, "Commercial loan produc-

tion outpaced last year's totals by \$27 million with a continued competitive environment for high-quality credits. We believe the acquired FFNM markets and Wisconsin markets will continue to have a positive impact on all types of originations and we are very pleased with their contributions since the acquisitions and their full integration into our lending culture. Secondary market activity has improved in the third and fourth quarters but remained \$9 million less than 2017 after a slower start to the year, predominantly driven by the expected slowdown in refinancing activity. Commercial payoff activity was somewhat elevated this year, totaling \$56 million as we saw continued fixed-rate pricing pressure and terms that led us to pass on renewing some larger client relationships that we felt were not prudent to retain for the long-term stability of our margin and macro portfolio mix. We also saw several clients divest of various types of large real estate development projects for liquidity and redeployment of their capital throughout the latter part of the year. Overall, we remain pleased with our lending activities in 2018 and the outlook for 2019 absent any significant adverse market conditions. Key lending personnel should also be able to focus greater time on organic growth initiatives given the multiple acquisition and capital raise activities throughout 2018."

Nonperforming loans totaled \$5.08 million, or 49% of total loans at December 31, 2018 compared to \$2.57 million, or 32% of total loans at December 31, 2017. The increase in nonperforming loans is mainly the result of credits acquired in the FFNM transaction, which were marked to fair value as part of the credit due diligence process. Total loan delinquencies greater than 30 days resided at a nominal 96%, compared to 66% in 2017. Provision for loan loss expense for the fourth quarter 2018 was \$300 thousand.

Commenting on overall credit risk, Mr. George stated, "As expected, we saw a slight increase in our non-performing and problem loan credit ratios following the FFNM and Lincoln acquisitions. We have seen no signs of any adverse systemic issues in terms of increased payment period times for legacy clients or material deterioration in commercial client financial statements in any of our core industries in which we lend. Similar to previous transactions, we anticipate this slight increase to nonperforming loans and delinquencies will normalize over the coming quarters as we continue to work quickly in resolving these acquired problem credits, either through exit from the bank, or when possible, rehabilitation to an acceptable loan structure and performance. Also, purchase accounting marks from the previously acquired banks have continued to prove accurate, attaining expected accretion levels."

Net interest income for 2018 was \$47.13 million, leading to a Net Interest Margin (NIM) of 4.44% compared to \$37.94 million in 2017 and a NIM of

4.20%. Core operating margin, which is net of accretion from acquired loans that were subject to purchase accounting adjustments, was 4.21% for 2018. Net interest income for the fourth quarter of 2018 resided at \$13.79 million, and a NIM of 4.64%, compared to \$9.66 million and a NIM of 4.18% in the fourth quarter of 2017. 2018 total interest expense was \$8.25 million versus \$6.44 million for 2017 due mainly to a larger deposit base following the FFNM transaction and partially to an increase in rates on brokered deposits.

Total bank deposits (excluding brokered deposits) have increased by \$318.08 million year-over-year from \$642.70 million in 2017 to \$960.78 million at year-end 2018. Total brokered deposits were \$136.76 million at the end of December 2018, down from \$175.30 million at December 31, 2017. FHLB and other borrowings were also down slightly from \$60 million at year-end 2017 to \$57 million at the end of 2018.

Mr. George stated, "With the lower cost core deposit base we acquired from FFNM and Lincoln, we were able to reposition the balance sheet and remove approximately \$40 million of much higher cost wholesale funding sources in 2018. We also continue to maintain our pricing discipline with regard to fixed rate lending, primarily on the commercial side to ensure margin sustainability. The impact of any future Federal Reserve Bank rate moves on funding sources are expected to be more than offset by the positive impact from the increase in the variable rate portion of our well-balanced loan portfolio given the structure of our balance sheet. We have not seen any significant pricing pressure in our high value deposit markets and have had to make nominal increases in our deposit products to remain rate-competitive and offset any potential outflows. Our focus on new core deposit procurement remains a key initiative for 2019 as we look to continue to wind down our wholesale funding sources through aggressive marketing and business development initiatives within our retail branch and treasury management business lines in target markets where greater opportunities exist."

2018 Noninterest Income was \$4.26 million compared to \$4.04 million for 2017. While year-over-year improvement is negligible, 2017 included approximately \$230 thousand in additional gains on sales of securities from the bank investment portfolio as well as \$315 thousand more in gains on sale of secondary market mortgages and Small Business Administration (SBA) loans compared to 2018. Overall, non-interest income generated from the larger bank platform is trending positively and we expect SBA income to normalize in 2019. Noninterest Expense for 2018 was \$40.36 million compared to \$30.36 million in 2017. The expense variance from 2017 was heavily impacted by the additional expense related to the larger bank platform following the FFNM and Lincoln transactions including additional salary, benefits and occupancy

costs as well as the transaction related expenses.

Total assets of the Corporation at December 31, 2018 were \$1.32 billion, compared to \$985.37 million at December 31, 2017. Shareholders' equity at December 31, 2018 totaled \$152.07 million, compared to \$81.40 million at December 31, 2017. Both the common stock offering and the FFNM acquisition had positive impacts on the Corporation's overall capitalization and regulatory capital ratios. Of the \$32.4 million in net proceeds from the June 2018 common stock offering, the Corporation utilized \$19.45 million to retire senior holding company debt and \$8.5 million for the purchase of Lincoln. Both the Corporation and the Bank are "well-capitalized" with total risk-based capital to risk-weighted assets of 12.47% and 12.22% and tier 1 capital to total tier 1 average assets at the corporation of 9.24% and at the bank of 9.02%.

Paul D. Tobias, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation and Chairman of mBank concluded, "We believe that 2018 was an extremely productive and transformative year. We continue to execute our growth and acquisition strategy while maintaining focus on credit quality, scale efficiencies, community support and governance. Our balance sheet attributes are strong due to a capital raise that provides us with a cushion that will help us maintain our ability to seek well-priced acquisitions. The complementary core deposit base of FFNM and Lincoln allowed us to restructure our liabilities, reducing holding company debt and wholesale funding levels at an opportune time in the rate cycle. Our patience and discipline have served us well in all aspects of our business. We remain optimistic that we will develop acquisition opportunities as we grow organically. Our focus on efficiency and improved profitability always will be paramount."

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St. Francis second marking period honor roll released

MANISTIQUE — St. Francis de Sales Catholic School has released the honor roll for the second marking period of the 2018-19 school year.

Christian Witness Award recipients in kindergarten were Chloe Chan and Will Nobel.

Christian Witness Award recipients in first grade were Gracie Perry and Logan Wood.

Recipients of the Christian Witness Award in second grade were Amy Knaflla and Jack Ziminski.

Earning the Christian Witness Award in third grade were Emma Hardy and Allison Segerstrom.

Emma Hardy, Gia Fieshetter and Allison Segerstrom were on the "A-B" Honor Roll.

Rex Chan and Parker Segerstrom were the Christian Witness Award recipients in the fourth grade class.

Receiving "All A's" in fourth grade were Parker Segerstrom and Connor Tenyson.

Other students on the honor roll in fourth grade were: Rex Chan, Matt Clark, Kinley Dillon, Lily Knaflla, Joe Noble, and Reese Zellar.

Christian Witness Award recipients in fifth grade were Malia Blixt and Brett Ziminski.

On the "All A's" honor roll in fifth grade were Kyra Carlson, Maya Carlson, Dantae DeMars, and Dillon Hoar.

The fifth grade "A" honor roll included Spencer Miotke, Kendall Nedeau, and Brett Ziminski.

Other fifth grade honor roll students were Malia Blixt, Bennet Hoholik, Alex Kopecky, Dalton LaRose, Joseph Rochefort, Alex Shepley, Kenya Smith, Rex Spriks, Dayne Way, and Micah Way.

Danika Hoar and Gavin Ziminski were the sixth grade recipients of the Christian Witness Award.

Receiving "A Honor Roll" status in sixth grade were Ava Kusnier and Gavin Ziminski.

Also included on the sixth grade honor roll were Desirae Brow, Danika Hoar, Laurama Lemaster, Sam Lemaster, and Matt Miller.

In seventh and eighth grade, Christian Witness Awards went to Isaiiah Brow and Hannah Banish. Isaiiah Brow earned "A" honor roll status.

Other seventh/eighth grade honor roll students were Kody Brudvik, Mason Pfister, Elizabeth Tosil, Griffen Miotke, and Linnea Way.

Lifestyles Brief

Zellar receives BS from University of Alabama

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Brittany Zellar, of Gulliver, has received the following from The University of Alabama: Bachelor of Science

degree in education. UA awarded some 2,065 degrees during its fall 2018 commencement Dec. 15.

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Tips for managing a child's screen time

The digital age has given new generations of parents something extra to worry about:

How much screen time is too much?

Physicians, teachers and psychologists generally agree that spending inordinate amounts of time immersed in computers, smartphones or social media can negatively impact a child's developing mind and body.

Other studies have associated digital overuse with teen depression, and the American Academy of Pediatrics has issued guidelines suggesting daily limits on screen time for different age groups.

"It's the responsibility of the parents to get control of this and guide their children, from a young age, on the positives and negatives of screen time," says Christine Kyriakakos Martin.

early education expert and author of 'You've Got This! Keys To Effective Parenting For The Early Years.'

"Parents can often think it's acceptable for a young child to spend a couple hours with an iPad, but the type of education the iPad game is providing isn't always the type of learning most needed at that stage."

Martin has suggestions for how parents can manage screen time and decrease a child's risk for screen-related health or developmental problems:

Distinguish screen time from play time. Play is a fundamental learning tool for young children, but parents, Martin says, should not think of screens as toys for play time.

Get involved. Parents who engage with their children about on-screen activities can help them

increase their communication skills and teach them how to navigate digital media.

"Parents can talk with their children about the videos they watch and games they play like they would discuss characters and plotlines in a book," Martin says. "When there is parental engagement like this, a child's vocabulary and literacy skills develop and family communication gets stronger."

"Eliminate screens from the meal table, including when you're out at a restaurant," Martin says. "While it can be tempting to pack the iPads to have some adult conversation while you're out to eat, doing this doesn't teach your children about manners, properly engaging in conversation, or being mindful of other patrons."

Set a good example. It will be harder for a child to disengage from screens if his or her parents are consistently looking down at their own phones or tablets. "Remember," Martin says, "your

children learn from your example. If they see you spending a lot of time with your face in front of a screen, they'll also want to use technology at the same time. Try your best to save your time on social media for your lunch break, during nap time, or after your children have gone to bed."

"Learning how to use screens, verbally communicate or socially interact will have a positive impact on language skills, relationships and overall health," Martin says. "Spending time with their parents, learning through play is what young children need and want."

Christine Kyriakakos Martin (www.youvegotthisparenting.com) is the author of 'You've Got This! Keys To Effective Parenting For The Early Years. An early education expert and consultant, Martin is the founder and owner of Sunshine Preschool in Hopkinton, Mass. She has spoken on child-development topics at national education conventions and colleges.

Lifestyles Briefs

Jack Reque high school announces honor roll

MANISTIQUE — The Jack Reque Alternative High school has announced the honor roll for the second marking period of the 2018-19 school year.

Arianna Jeneruc, Nicholas Lov, Logan Schleman, Daniella Bakh, Destanie Kinsey, Nicole Parrish, Lacey Ruth, Michelle Zinn and Natasha Miller.

Students who have received a "B" average or better include Teacher for the school is Trina Nedacu.

Bay College seeks community input for future

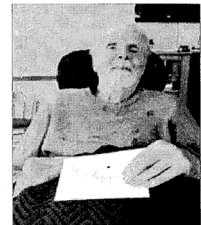
ESCANABA — Bay College has launched a Community Satisfaction Survey asking community members, as well as students, what they most value about Bay College and how the college can best meet the educational, community, and cultural needs of the future.

and former students, parents, businesses, and residents for their help in shaping the future of the college. The survey will run through March 1. Once the results of the survey have been reviewed, the college will begin implementing action plans on how best to accomplish as many recommendations from the survey as possible.

They are seeking input from all corners of the community — current

Medical care facility residents celebrate bdays

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



Courtesy photo Ken Kamenczak is shown celebrating his birthday.

Those with birthdays included: Ken Kamenczak (pictured at right receiving his Afghan gift and card), Lois Nelson, Clara McLaren, and Donna Walker.

Entertainment was provided by Chris Orr, Tim Derwin, Wade Johnson, and Barb Landis. Women's club volunteers were: Pat Mickelson, Irene Hinkson, Jeanne Gundersen, Carolyn Miller, and Becky Anderson.

mBank welcomes new EVP chief technology officer

MANISTIQUE — mBank recently announced the addition of Jake Martin, Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer.

Mr. Martin comes to mBank with over 20 years of professional IT and leadership experience. Most recently, he was the Chief Technology Officer for Ferris State University, a role he held for almost three years. Prior to that, he also served as the Director of IT/HIPAA Security Officer at Alpena Regional Medical Center from 2011 to 2016 and was the Senior Vice President of IT/Communications at mBank from 2006 to 2011. Martin also served

as a Corporal with the United States Marine Corps, is a veteran of the Gulf War, has a Bachelor of Science from University of Maryland University College, and an MBA in Information Management from Aspen University.

"Jake brings a well-known, high level technical and senior leadership skill set to the table that will help us continue our strategic plans," said Kelly W. George mBank President and CEO. We



Jake Martin

are glad to have him back to head up our IT, Cyber Risk, and Communication areas of the company, as they are critical to our continued growth and organizational success. "I'm excited to be back with mBank," explained Martin. "I'm looking forward to helping the bank grow and thrive through continued technological improvements, security advancements, and leadership opportunities."

Jake can be reached at the mBank Traverse City branch, located at 3530 North County Drive, (906) 341-7123 or by email at jmartin@bankmBank.com.

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What is better than those and adults' attention? Grandparents can help young children learn table manners, the art of conversation, and feel comfortable using them during an English Tea. Invite some friends, stuffed animals, and a few action figures who need little culture to save the world.

Table Decorations
Children can decorate placemats made from two pieces of computer paper or one large construction paper. Napkins can be paper towels, paper napkins, or cloths. Children decorate small table name cards, roll napkins and tie with an old sparkly necktie. Flowers or a low plant in the center of the table is a nice touch.

For setting use real utensils and china. Google images has diagrams for formal and informal tea correct party table setting. You can teach children to set the table correctly

and how and when to use each utensil. Explain and practice how to use silverware, plates, place the napkin on their lap, hold a tea cup, butter a scone, and replace items when finished. Refresh how to ask for food, pass to the right, and keep elbows off the table.

A day before purchase some blueberries, black berries, raspberries and ingredients for scones. Pick up some lemonade, apple juice or some orange herbal tea that is friendly to children's palate.

Baking Scones
Basic scones require 4 1/2 c. sifted white flour, 1/2 teaspoon baking soda, 2 teaspoon baking powder, 2 Tablespoon sugar, pinch of salt, 1 egg, and 1/4 cup light cream. Sift dry ingredients and place in short

Grandparents Teach, Too

wide blender. Put in small chunks of chilled butter and run a few tines until looks like coarse meal.

Add heavy cream until dough holds together. Leave little chunks of butter. Wrap in plastic and chill 30 minutes. Spray large baking sheets. Roll into circle, 1/2" thick for small scones (makes 30) or 3/4" thick for large ones, (makes 20). Cut out with a large jar top or cut into triangles like a bakery shop. Combine egg and light cream in small bowl. Brush tops and bake at 375 degrees 13-15 minutes. Provide

whipped butter and jam at the table.

While waiting for the scones to bake, dress up a bit and talk about how a daily tea time in England is a time to relax, enjoy good food slowly, and talk. Grandparents can help children think of who, what do you think about, when, where, why, and how questions to take turns starting conversation. Explain how to listen to answers respectfully and keep the conversation going with follow up questions and comments. Put on some soft music and it's time for Tea at 3 p.m.

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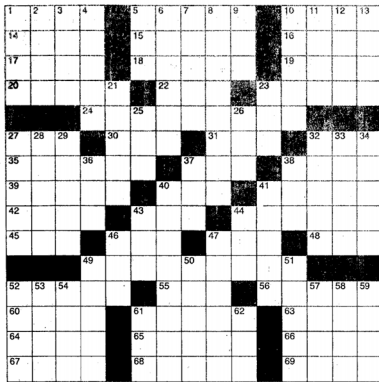
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Civil rights organization
5. Cause to lose courage
10. Outside entertaining area
14. Botswana currency
15. Comedian Actor Tim
16. Barbary sheep
17. German river
18. Take
19. Catches
20. Eating houses
22. Consumed
23. Lawyers try them
24. Hugh Jackman character
27. Basics
30. No (Scottish)
31. Duct
32. Athlete who plays for pay
35. Unit of distance
37. Female bird
38. Predatory reptile
39. Regions
40. Dishonorable man
41. Dry white Italian wine
42. A way to understand
43. Actors' organization
44. Beach hut
46. Disappointment
48. Police officer
47. Digital audiotape
48. Western Thai people
49. Of a polymer
52. Secret political clique

CLUES DOWN

1. Detailed drawing
2. Class of comb-jellies
3. Musical symbol
4. Hall of Fame ballplayer
5. Poach
6. Split
7. Having wings
8. Set aside
9. Midway between
10. Daughter of Acrisius
11. Periods of time
12. Rapier ice
13. Any of several candies
21. Units of loudness
23. Central nervous system
25. Resinous secretion

INSECTS

26. 007's creator
27. Separate from
28. Exposes to view
29. Harsh squeaking sound
32. Fishing vessel (Naut.)
33. Western Ukrainian city
34. The sea
36. Unhappy
37. Old miserable woman
38. Corn comes on it
40. Guinea pig-like mammal
41. Self-immolation by fire
43. Fifth note of a major scale
44. Automobile
45. Military title (abbr.)
47. Expunge
49. Chado language
50. Something you win
51. Grab
52. Town in Galilee
53. Polite interruption sound
54. Italian Seaport
57. La ... Tar Pits
58. To ... this own
59. Tom Clancy hero Jack
61. These three follow A
62. One of Napoleon's generals

All puzzle answers are on page B1.

Forest Service offers grants for urban youth to travel to Clear Lake Center

GLADSTONE — The USDA Forest Service is offering competitive funding from Bigley Trust to implement environmental education opportunities with underserved urban youth at Clear Lake Education Center in Hiawatha National Forest.

"These funds are intended to build upon the agency's long tradition of working with urban youth in natural settings and the cooperative efforts for residential outdoors learning experiences at Clear Lake Education Center," said Melissa O'Donnell, Hiawatha National Forest's education specialist.

The goals of the grant are to provide underserved urban youth with knowledge about natural resources, conservation and stewardship of rational forests; to build lifelong connections with nature for underserved urban youth through outdoor recreation opportunities and place-based learning experiences; and to engage underserved urban youth in conservation service and investigate career opportunities in natural resource management.

Applicant proposals for up to \$5,000 must meet the grant project design requirements, as outlined in the grant information materials. Preference will be given to proposals that have an equal match of project contributions and support the project design requirements. Applicants should submit the grant proposal form by March 15. Projects will be awarded in April 2019 and grant funds will be distributed by the Community Foundation of the Upper Peninsula.

Those with questions or comments may contact Melissa O'Donnell, education specialist, at modonnell@fs.fed.us, or by telephone at (906) 202-4031.

"This grant will give a group of urban youth the opportunity to travel to the Upper Peninsula, to experience the beauty of the National Forest and surroundings, and learn about the natural world," said O'Donnell.

Clear Lake Education Center's mission is to connect people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds to the natural world by providing dynamic outdoor and environmental education on Hiawatha National Forest. It is located on the shores of Clear Lake inside Hiawatha National Forest about 20 miles south of Munising in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. The center is open from late April through late October. For more information about the Center's facilities and programs, visit www.clearlakeinfo.org.

For more information about Hiawatha National Forest, visit www.fs.usda.gov/hiawatha.

The mission of the Forest Service, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is to sustain the health, diversity and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The agency manages 193 million acres of public land, provides assistance to state and private landowners, and maintains the largest forestry research organization in the world. Public lands the Forest Service manages contribute more than \$13 billion to the economy each year through visitor spending alone. Those same lands provide 30 percent of the nation's surface drinking water to cities and rural communities and approximately 66 million Americans rely on drinking water that originated from the National Forest System.

SMH appointee

Trustees' Our client is deeply concerned that petty politics are disrupting the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital of a highly qualified individual to serve on its Board of Trustees.

As you may be aware, Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital is governed by the 'Municipal Health Facilities Corporations Act', Public Act 230 of 1987, hereinafter, 'the Act'. In 2011, the Legislature amended the Act allowing a hospital board to be a self-appointing board 'with the advice and consent of the county board of commissioners'. The Act does not create a new power of 'advice and consent' for the exclusive use of the Act. The phrase 'advice and consent' is not defined in the Act. Therefore, the most common use of this power under Michigan law controls.

Under Article V, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the phrase 'advice and consent' is well-defined and the process of advice and consent is used on a routine basis.

The manner in which 'advice and consent' is used in Michigan is fundamentally different from the process used in the United States Constitution. Under Michigan's Constitution, 'advice and consent' is used only to disapprove an appointment. An affirmative vote of approval is not required; rather, only a majority vote of disapproval can reject an appointee.

The Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners fulfilled its statutory obligation on Dec. 27, 2018, when the Board met and held a vote on three appointees. The Board did not vote to reject Mr. Russell Poole's appointment to the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees. The Board's vote was two in favor of appointment; two in favor of rejection and one abstention. The Board required three votes in favor of rejection in order to disapprove of the appointment.

As a result of the Board's action, it fulfilled its duties and obligations under the Act. Mr. Poole's appointment was not rejected and therefore he is eligible to be seated as a member of the Trust immediately.

A county board is not allowed multiple opportunities to provide advice and consent. The Board was not required to act within a certain time frame, but it chose to satisfy its statutory obligation at the Dec. 27, 2018 meeting. To allow a board to continuously subject appointees to the process of advice and consent completely contradicts the independent nature and function of the Trustees. No doubt any court in Michigan would find such action by the Board as ultra vires [acting beyond one's legal power or authority].

However, if the Board is not satisfied with the performance of any member of the Trustees, the Act provides both the Board and the Trustees the ability to remove a member from office for 'cause', which is broadly defined under the Act. Should the Board determine it is warranted to remove Mr. Poole, it may follow the simple procedures under the Act and vote to remove him. The Board may not, however, attempt to provide its advice and consent on subsequent occasions until it receives the political result it is seeking.

Mr. Poole meets the statutory qualifications to serve; has been properly appointed by the Trustees; and has been properly subject to advice and consent of the Board. Therefore, he is eligible to be a member of the Trustees. For the fiscal integrity of this important community and critical access hospital, we advise the hospital to seat him immediately. It is then left to the Board to determine if they will seek to remove him under the Act.

The letter is signed by Peter B. Ruddle of Honigman LLP.

According to Don Perigo, president of the SMH Board of Trustees, "The letter expressed a concern raised by another group. We continue to fully support our appointee and will comply with the law."

When contacted by the Pioneer Tribune to provide a comment regarding the letter, commissioners Hoholik, Shiner, and Reiter stated

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that they had no comment. Commissioners Barr and Ott did not respond to the request for a comment.

After voting against appointing Poole during the January meeting, Reiter told the Pioneer Tribune that his vote had been based on the fact that he had observed Poole on several occasions "and thought that he would be "problematic" serving on the SMH Board of Trustees."

Ott said at the time that he based his disapproval of Poole's appointment on Reiter's "personal observation", while Barr said he voted for what he believed was in the "best interest of Schoolcraft County."

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Solve the code to discover words related to heart health. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 11 = e)

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Clue: Move around

19 11 1 1 11 22 1

Clue: Holiday celebrations

5 22 3 3 17

Clue: Puns the body

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Clue: Pursuit

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The Michigan Masons of Maristque - Lakeside Lodge No. 371 - elected new officers, pictured above, recently. A Mason is a member of the oldest and largest goodwill fraternity in the world, known as masonry or freemasonry.

SCD offers scholarships to camps hosted by DNR

MANISTIQUE - The Schoolcraft Conservation District is offering scholarships for Schoolcraft County high school students to attend one of two natural resource career camps in June.

The Career Pathways Program will be held June 23-27 in Roscommon, Mich. Sponsored by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and hosted at the Ralph A. MacMullen Conference Center, this intensive camp is designed to give students a taste of the daily work performed by foresters, conservation officers, park rangers, and others in related fields.

All activities are held outdoors, regardless of weather, and the camp is limited to 20 students. For details and an application, go to www.michigan.gov/dnr. Click on "Education and Safety." Near the bottom of the page, look under "Youth" and click on "Career Pathways Program."

"Career Pathways Program".

The Natural Resources Careers Exploration Week will be held June 16-21 at Trees for Tomorrow in Eagle River, Wis. This camp also includes plenty of time outdoors, although its scope is somewhat broader and serves as a more general introduction to a variety of natural resource careers.

The camp is limited to 30 students; applications are due April 12. For more information and an application, go to www.treesfortomorrow.com/H-S-Careers-Week.

Links to these camp applications may also be found on the SCD website, www.schoolcraftcd.org or their Facebook page @schoolcraftconservationdistrict.

Students who apply to either of the camps should contact the SCD office at 341-8215 or email SchoolcraftCD@macd.org to be considered for a camp scholarship.

City opt out

week - we just don't know. So you need to move ahead of the state.

My opinion is, whether or not your municipality wishes to get into the business of licensing and having recreational marijuana businesses within the municipality, it's a good municipal strategy to have an opt-out ordinance in place, first," he continued.

Haussler said the city of Hancock decided to put into place an "emergency ordinance" opting out of allowing recreational marijuana establishments within the community, followed up by a formal ordinance.

"In Hancock ... before we could have a recreational marijuana business, we probably need to amend our zoning ordinance a little bit, we almost certainly need to repeal our controlled substances ordinance," he explained.

As far as implications of possibly allowing recreational marijuana establishments in a municipality, Haussler said one major consideration was funds and grants from the USDA Rural Development.

"This is a very murky situation here - we know more than we did last month, but we still don't know as much as I think we really need to know," he said, adding that one piece of guidance received was a USDA Water and Environmental Programs Compliance with Controlled Services Act certification stating that a WEP loan or grant will not be approved to an applicant which engages in marijuana-related activity.

Haussler said Hancock had to consider whether licensing a recreational marijuana business within the community constituted engaging in marijuana-related activity.

"On the form, there's no direction as to what that even means," he explained. "There's a big cloud on how to interpret this (compliance) form."

In the end, the city of Hancock decided to exercise an abundance of caution.

"Whatever we do, we can't risk our Rural Development funding," Haussler said. "Seventeen million dollars in 10 years for our little community ... we can't afford to lose that money to finance a very small amount of money that would be directly coming in from the marijuana excise tax."

People are talking about how much the municipality is going to make; it's possible that the state will keep everything," he continued. "Even if the maximum (amount) comes to the municipality, the maximum amount is going to be 15 percent of the statewide excise tax, which is 10 percent, but only on retailers and micro businesses. Not 10 percent for all businesses - growers and secure transport companies and processing centers and things like that, when they move their product through their businesses, there's no excise tax. Only at the final sale, when it leaves the storefront ... is there a 10 percent excise tax that goes to the state ... then it gets put into a big pool and then it gets redistributed based on a formula."

Haussler added that for a city the size of Manistique, based on a per capita share of the excise tax, the amount coming in would be approximately \$3,700 annually from the excise tax.

"It's not a big pot of gold," he said. "In a municipal budget, it's not going to make a huge impact."

City Manager Sheila Aldrich noted that Manistique Mayor Mike Perilloux signed the USDA Water and Environmental Programs Compliance with Controlled Services Act certification in November 2018.

One other piece of guidance the city of Hancock received was a USDA Rural Development "unnumbered letter" dated Nov. 25, 2016. The letter is also adorned with a "draft" watermark.

"I eventually ... spoke to someone in the state (USDA RD) office in Lansing ... and they confirmed for me that this Nov. 25, 2016 memo, despite the fact

that it's more than two years old and has a draft watermark on the first page, is, in fact, the most recent kind of policy direction that Rural Development has given to its state and community directors," Haussler explained.

He went on to note that he doesn't expect the federal government to be as "heavy handed" in restricting USDA Rural Development funding to areas allowing recreational marijuana businesses licenses, but is "not 100 percent convinced that we, as municipal officials, should just blindly move ahead without any federal ramifications."

"When you're trying to protect your water and sewer infrastructure funding, you have to dot your 'I's' and cross your 'T's' and do what the federal government asks," Haussler said.

The Hancock City Council was allowed, by their city charter, to implement an emergency ordinance regarding recreational marijuana establishments and did so in late 2018.

"By our charter, our emergency ordinances last for

60 days and we have one 30-day extension," Haussler explained. "So we ended up getting 90 days out of our emergency ordinance, which gave us a little bit of time to put a regular ordinance out."

He added that if the risk of losing federal funding is removed, the city will be open to reassess the ordinance.

"To try to alleviate ... the public's concern, we did have the wording under the purpose statement that says, 'this ordinance does not, nor is in any way intended to officially state any long-term position of the city on marijuana establishments,'" Haussler said. "We're not permanently opting out ... ordinances are either in effect or not in effect - there's no such thing as permanence with an ordinance."

Following the discussion with Haussler, Manistique City Council members voted unanimously to proceed with exploring the process of an opt-out ordinance regarding recreational marijuana establishments. Councilperson Rick Hollister was absent.

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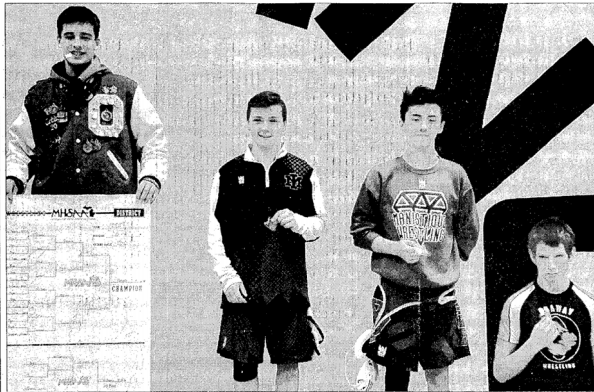
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3. Dallas	26	30
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5. Memphis	23	35



Wrestling at 130, Tony Williams, pictured above, took third at the MHSAA Individual District Wrestling Tournament, earning the right to advance to Regionals. Williams (9-2, 11) will meet Jordan Koetje (33-8, 11) from PRIV on the mat Saturday. Isaac Brewster, pictured below, also advanced to Regionals. Brewster (20-18, 11), wrestling 285, will match up with Jake Renfer (43-3, 12), from Manton in his first match.



Emeralds send two to Regional Finals

MUNISING – The 2019 season will continue for two Manistique Emerald wrestlers after placing third at the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Individual District Finals Saturday. With wins by pin, Tony Williams will join Isaac Brewster for the trip to the regional finals held in Charlevoix this Saturday. Williams' day started off strong with a pin over Payten Cums of St. Ignace. Coming off a loss to Hayden Prevost of Charlevoix, Williams pinned Dylan Crow of Onaway, earning a trip to the finals. Isaac Brewster earned a trip to the finals the hard way. Coming off an opening round loss by pin to Giovanni Colavecchi of Iron Mountain, Brewster drew a bye. In consolation semifinals he beat Alexander Kwapisz of Charlevoix by decision of 9-6, earning one more trip to the mat, where he pinned Colavecchi

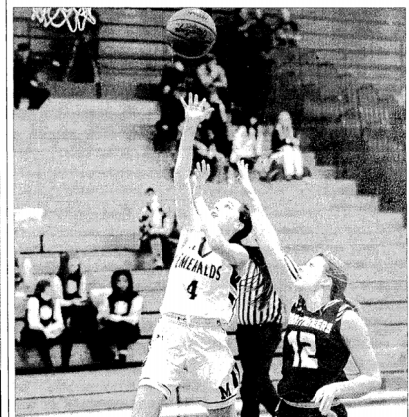
of Iron Mountain. He finished the day in third place and moves on to individual Regionals. In other Emerald action, Catherine King lost by pin to Rayne Fultze of St. Ignace in a rat tail match which knocked her out of the tournament. Brandon Slater was knocked out of the tournament by Joshua Filzetti of Gwin. Josiah Gilroy wrestled in a rat tail match against Bryce Bowman of Munising and won by decision of 4-2. He then wrestled Breanan Fenstermaker of Onaway and lost by pin. Gilroy ended his day by getting pinned by Devin Kurz of Earb River. Tyler Greene lost his first round by pin to Connor Traver of Westwood. He then had a bye to move to consolation semifinals. In that match, Greene was pinned by Austin Biela of Roger City.

Jones hits Bears' game winning shot

COOKS – A last minute bucket by Piper Jones sealed a 40-38 win for the Lady Bears Monday night. The team played the visiting Cougars from Superior Central. Taking advantage of a slow start by Big Bay, Superior Central knocked down three buckets from three-point range to jump out to a 12-6 lead at the end of the first quarter of play. Holli Stapleton scored four of the Bears' points with buckets

from the floor and two from the line. Stapleton finished the night with 15 points to lead all scorers. "We knew that they were going to try and take away our looks into Holli (Stapleton), so we tried to work on our ball movement to get some open shots. Holli also did a good job at directing our girls on

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Madison Zellar attempts two under the net at home against Iron Mountain Monday. Additional photos may be viewed at www.mstapioneertribune.smugug.com.

Offense stalls, Lady Emeralds drop two

MANISTIQUE – Three single digit quarters didn't play out well for the Lady Emeralds Monday night against the powerful Mountainers. Down by seven points after the first quarter, the Emeralds

struggled in the second and third quarters against the physical play
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Coming up in Sports

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Tues., Feb. 19 vs. Ishpeming at HOME, 7:30 p.m.
Varsity Swimming
Sat., Feb. 16 vs. U.P. Finals at Marquette, 10 a.m.
Varsity Cheerleading
Sat., Feb. 16 vs. MHSAA Districts at Brethren, 5 p.m.
- BIG BAY DE NOC BLACK BEARS**
Boys Varsity Basketball
Thurs., Feb. 14 vs. Stephenson at HOME, 6 p.m.
Tues., Feb. 19 vs. Rapid River at Rapid River, 6 p.m.
Girls Varsity Basketball
Thurs., Feb. 14 vs. Mid Peninsula at Mid Peninsula, 6 p.m.
Fri., Feb. 15 vs. Stephenson at Stephenson, 6 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 18 vs. Munising at Munising, 6 p.m.

Sports Brief

Spaghetti fundraiser set for 18U hockey team

MANISTIQUE – The Manistique Hockey Association will be hosting a fundraising spaghetti dinner for the State Savings Bank 18U team Feb. 24. The dinner will be held from 4-7 p.m. in the St. Francis de Sales gym. Cost is a cash donation.

The team recently won the District 8 Championship Title. The funds will be used to help the team with expenses when they compete in St. Ignace during the weekend of March 8-10 for the Midget BB State Championship.

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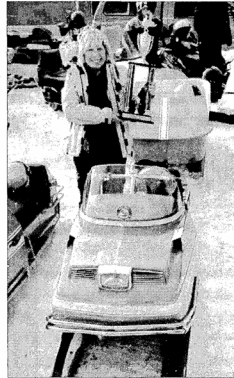
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Participants out in full force for Relic Ride 2019



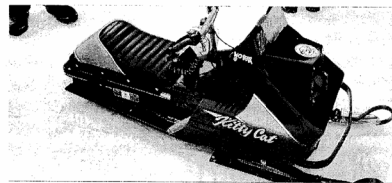
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As far as the eye can see, at left, participants lined up to take part in the Long Riders Relic Ride for Charity held annually at the Jack Pine Lodge, located North of Manistique on Highway M-94. According to event organizers, an estimated 550 relic and newer sleds took part in this year's ride last Saturday. Riders travelled from Jack Pine to Boot Lake, and back. All proceeds raised from the event are donated to local charities. The charities benefiting this year include the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter, U.P. Film Union, and Upper Peninsula Honor Flight. On the right is the Long Riders Snowmobile Club, the organizers of the ride, who took a few minutes out of a very busy schedule to pose for a quick picture before jumping on their sleds.



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Going clockwise, prior to the start of the 27th annual Long Riders Relic Ride for Charity, awards were handed out in different categories. This year's Best of Show is a 1971 Ariens Arrow 400. The mint conditioned sled is owned by Dan Harvey of Fenton, Mich. The Best Antique (original restoration) 1973 or older award was won by Ruth Bricknel of West Bloomfield, Mich., with her 1971 Sno-Jet Star-Jet. Nick Hirschman of Ithaca, Mich., won the Oldest Sled contest with his 1962 Polaris Sno-Traveller. According to Nick, the sled tops out at a cool eight miles an hour. You didn't want to ride behind this 1973 Yamaha 433 SR for too long, the sled owned by John Burns of Traverse City, Mich., won the Loud Pipes contest. Receiving his trophy for the Oldest Rider this year was 77-year-old Rocky Tenaglia from Lapeer, Mich. She may be small, but this little cat made a lot of noise in the loud pipe contest, while she got beat out in that event, she won the most Unique Sled award. The Arctic Cat Kitty Cat sled is owned by Clayton Johnson Jr. of Skandia, Mich. Historically Iron River is one of the coldest spots in the Upper Peninsula and if you want to enjoy winter activities there you need to take drastic measures. While it was a cool nine degrees at the start of the race, the temperature was not an issue for Michael Hurkmans who won the Worst Pile of Crap award with his enclosed and heated 1971-93 Arctic Cat.



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20th Annual McDonald Lake Ice Fishing Derby February 16 & 17 McDonald Lake in Gulliver

3 Prizes in 3 Categories

Longest Perch • Longest Pike • Longest Walleye

1st Tie Breaker – Weight 2nd Tie Breaker – First fish registered
(All decisions by Derby Officials are final)

OFFICIAL RULES:

1. Fish must be caught on McDonald Lake.
2. Fish must be caught by legal means.
3. You must be pre-registered in order to WIN. Pre-registration deadline 12 NOON on Saturday.
4. Fish Registration will be open:
 - a. Saturday February 16 – 8 am until 5 pm
 - b. Sunday February 17 – 8 am until 2 pm
5. No person may win more than one prize category.
6. Anybody 13 years old and over must register as an adult and will not be eligible for children's prizes or gifts.
7. Any child 12 and under can not register as an adult and is not eligible for adult prizes.
 - Rules for Children 12 and under: A. Kids Perch category remains the same - Longest Perch - 1st tie breaker weight, 2nd first fish caught. B. Kids may register any fish caught regardless of species or size. C. They may only register 1 fish. D. This will enter them into a drawing for additional prizes. E. These prizes will be drawn at the awards ceremony on Sunday. F. Kids must be present to win drawing prizes.
8. All registered adults will be entered into a raffle. The drawing will take place after registration closes and winners will be displayed at the tent.
9. Drawing prizes must be picked up by 2:30 on Sunday.

Fish registration will be located at the public access site on McDonald Lake.

\$10.00 Registration Fee

*Children (12 & under) must be present and registered to pick up their door prize on Saturday at the registration tent between 8 a.m. and 12 noon.**

Awards will be given at approximately
2:15 – 2:30 pm on Sunday, Feb. 17

Advance Registration at
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