

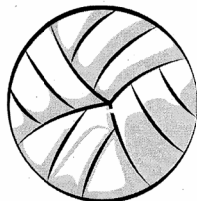
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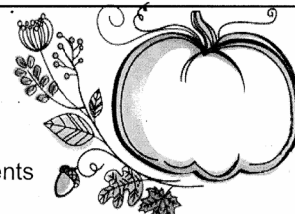
Emeralds deal with loss on home court

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'Harvest Dinner' planned

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## County looks to repair EDC rift

Commissioners cast vote to rescind controversial letter

MANISTIQUE - Nearly a month after a letter from the county board's law firm prompted resignations from the majority of the Schoolcraft County Economic Development Corporation, an attempt to rectify the situation is being made. Action to rescind the previous letter distributed to the EDC was made during the Schoolcraft County Board of Commissioners meeting last week.

The letter, from the Foster, Swift, Collins, and Smith, P.C., expressed concern that the EDC had been operating outside the scope of its statutory authority and impermissibly blending its operations with those of a private corporation; making expenditures not authorized by statute; and has failed to provide reports, including annual audits, required by state law and its own articles of incorporation.

It's been more than a year since the functions, and most of the members, of the Manistiquette Merchants Association, Schoolcraft County Chamber of Commerce, and Schoolcraft County Economic Development Corporation were moved under the umbrella of the Schoolcraft Tourism and Commerce group. EDC Director Alan Barr also serves as the director and CEO of STC - a merger group he first pitched to the county board in late 2016.

By March of 2017, the STC group had fully formed, creating new bylaws, a board of directors, committees, and exploring the possible dissolution of the EDC. The group hoped to better serve the area by combining the administrative duties, expenses, and operations of multiple organizations in order to reduce an overlap in services.

Commissioner Craig Reiter explained during last month's meeting that he had submitted a FOIA request to the EDC/STC groups, though he serves as a member of the EDC board, and was concerned about the findings. As a result, sought the help of the law firm and introduced the letter to be sent to all EDC board members.

While Chairperson Larry Mersnick noted during that meeting that the letter was only meant to prompt EDC or STC board members to choose one board on which to serve, all board members, except commissioners Allan Ott and Reiter, submitted their resignations to the board following the meeting.

At last week's meeting, Commissioner Chris Rantanen, who had been absent when the letter was introduced and approved, explained that she and Mersnick recently had a meeting with members of the EDC board, as well as the county's prosecuting attorney.

"In the discussion ... it was brought to our attention that there was some misinformation passed on to board members from one place to the other," she said. "We

### EDC rift

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## TRAIN! (ING)

Pioneer Tribune photos  
 The Coast Guard, along with federal, state, tribal and local partners - including the Manistiquette Public Safety Department and Sault Tribe Police - has spent most of the week participating in a full-scale pollution response exercise in Manistiquette. Local emergency response agencies have used boats, helicopters, unmanned aerial systems, and pollution response equipment, such as oil containment boom and skimmers, deployed in and around Manistiquette Harbor. The full-scale exercise is conducted in accordance with the National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program, which was developed to establish a workable exercise program to meet the federal oil pollution response requirements of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990. The Coast Guard uses the exercise to apply, test, and evaluate the effectiveness of the Northern Michigan Area Contingency Plan, which details the strategy for a coordinated federal, state, tribal and local response to a discharge or substantial threat of a discharge of oil, or a release or substantial threat of a release of a hazardous substance. This week's exercise involved a scenario in which a train derailment causes pollutants to enter the Manistiquette River.



## Area beach home to 'water safety stations' after Boy Scout project

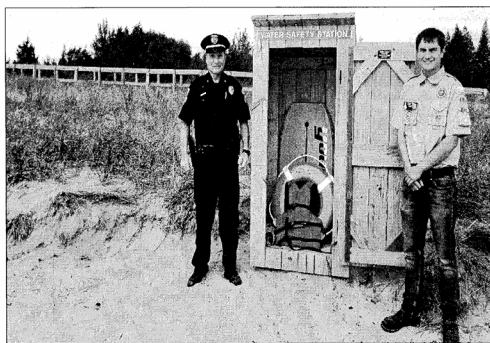
MANISTIQUE - The beach located adjacent to the East Breakwater Lighthouse is now home to two water safety stations. The stations were created as part of a local Boy Scout's Eagle Scout project.

Matthew Wood, of Boy Scout Troop 400, first presented his idea for the stations during an August Manistiquette City Council meeting.

"My Eagle Scout project is water safety stations, and I would like to put two of them at the boardwalk, next to the lighthouse area," he said. "(In 2016) someone died there, and I believe my safety stations could help save lives."

Wood explained that the units are approximately five feet by three feet, house safety equipment, and cost approximately \$400 to build each.

"I want them to be temporary units, where they have posts on each corner



Pioneer Tribune photo  
 Manistiquette Public Safety Department Director Ken Golat, left, stands with Manistiquette Boy Scout Matthew Wood alongside one of Wood's recently created water safety stations. The stations, located on the beach adjacent to the East Breakwater Lighthouse were completed as Wood's Eagle Scout project.

### Safety stations

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### News Briefs

#### MPSD seeks information on local cemetery vandalism

MANISTIQUE - The Manistiquette Department of Public Safety is seeking information regarding vandalism at the Lakeview Cemetery in Manistiquette.

According to a press release from the department, on Sept. 17 at 10:05 a.m., officers received a report of numerous tombstones damaged was received. Upon arrival, officers met with Manistiquette Department of Public Works personnel, who showed them the southwest corner of the cemetery, where the damage had occurred.

Officers determined that approximately 15 tombstones had been knocked over, presumably by hand, in this area. There was no damage to the grassy areas adjacent to the headstones.

Since Manistiquette DPW personnel had been in the cemetery during the late afternoon of Sept. 14, the damage is believed to have occurred over the weekend. While there was no major damage to the tombstones some were chipped when knocked over.

This incident was posted on the Manistiquette Public Safety Facebook page Sept. 17 in an effort to develop investigative leads and identify the person's responsible.

Manistiquette Public Safety is requesting that anyone with information regarding the case contact the department at 341-2134.



Pioneer Tribune photo  
 Above, vandalized tombstones are shown lying on the ground inside the Lakeview Cemetery in Manistiquette. The Manistiquette Department of Public Safety is seeking information on the incident.

### Events

**Sept. 22** - Harvest Dinner to benefit the Schoolcraft County Fair Association's Summer Day Camp Program, Schoolcraft County Fair Building, 4-7 p.m.

**Sept. 26** - Manistiquette Farmers' Market, in the parking lot adjacent to the Little Bear West Arena, 4-6 p.m.

**Sept. 26** - An Evening with the Arts, to benefit the Lake Effect Community Arts' building fund, the Warehouse at Trader's Point, 6-9 p.m.

**Sept. 29** - Fall Family Fun Festival and Craft Fair, Manistiquette VFW, proceeds benefit Eva Burrell Animal Shelter, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Oct. 6** - Westside Flannel Fest, throughout the west side business district of Manistiquette, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

**3-Day Forecast**

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
66/41	58/44	57/49

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# Road commission takes home 'honor roll' award

LANSING -- The Schoolcraft County Road Commission was recently recognized for having one of the lowest employee injury rates among road commissions in the state. This is the eighth time the SCRC has been on the "Honor Roll" since it began eight years ago.

"Low injury rates just don't happen in our business," says Jim deSpelder, administrator of the County Road Association Self-Insurance Fund, which provides safety training and workers' compensation coverage for road

commissions. "Our business is working on the roads. Working on the roads is physically demanding and puts our workers at risk of being injured by passing vehicles. It takes constantly reminding employees that their safety on the job is a primary concern of management."

Doug Robidoux, chairperson of the Fund and a road commissioner with the Mason County Road Commission, stated "Low injury rates results in lower workers compensation premiums. The monetary savings can go to other needs such as maintaining

Michigan roads."

"Road commissions that have lower than average injury rates qualify to be on our Honor Roll," commented Jim deSpelder. "They should be applauded for their achievement."

The award was provided by the County Road Association Self-Insurance Fund. CRASIF is a Michigan-based group fund that provides disability management and workers' compensation to road commissions.

CRASIF services 69 out of the 83 road commissions in Michigan.

## Flashback



**PLAY BALL**

Pioneer Tribune Archive photo

From the Sept. 22, 1983 edition, the Furnace Crew, a softball team of Fayette State Park consisted of, back row, from left, Rich Ranguette, Bill Manning, Neil Roder, Greg Hazen, and Marty Williamson. Front row, from left to right: Lon Hider, Paul Martin, and Henry Hardy. Not pictured were Fred Fox and Judy Manning.

## Letters to the Editor

**Dear Editor,**

With the mid-term election just weeks away, it seems a good time to encourage voters to get out and make their wishes known. This is especially true for the townships of Garden and Fairbanks where recall elections are taking place.

Some members of the township boards will be on the ballot even though their terms are not yet up — due to citizens asking for a recall.

The current (recalled) officials are still on the ballot — there will also be candidates opposing each of these officials. If you want changes on your township board, vote for the opponents of these recalled officials even if it means splitting your vote. In the November election, you can split your vote, vote across party lines or vote for an independent candidate.

**Dear Editor,**

On behalf of the U.P. Regional Blood Center, I would like to thank Phyllis Burge, Ruth Annelin, Lila Panek, and the rest of the Amity Group for hosting blood drives in the month of July and September 2018.

As a result of their efforts, we collected an outstanding 92 pints of blood. Thank you to all of the community members who took the time to give the "gift of life".

Thank you for supporting your community blood center.

Sincerely,  
**Sallie Coran**  
U.P. Regional Blood Center

**Dear Editor,**

To the property owners of Schoolcraft County:

On Saturday, Sept. 8, I attended the first of the four county jail tours available to the public this month. If you haven't yet taken the tour, I highly recommend that you do.

It is important to see the decrepit state of the building that our law enforcement and inmates are using. There will be a millage vote for a new jail in November, and I will be voting "yes".

I am not enthusiastic about property taxes going up. I do, however, understand that when the jail closes (and it will close if the millage fails), property values will drop, jobs will end, less money will be spent in the community. Crime will increase, and the taxpayers will be paying thousands of dollars a month to other counties to house the inmates arrested here.

Give thought to the example of paying Alger County \$30 per day for 25 inmates for a 31-day month. The bill would cost the county (us) \$23,250, and would only go up. This figure would not include the travel costs back and forth for booking, court hearings, etc., and when there isn't a choice but to house the inmates elsewhere, there is the chance that the per individual or per day cost could skyrocket.

This opportunity is not only for the new jail, but will also provide road patrol and the ability to hire three more officers.

These additions will make all of us safer, provide resources, and cut back on any potential overtime. If we want the county to grow in a positive light, we need to invest in the things that will provide to us a prosperous community. It is unrealistic to think that the county doesn't need the jail.

If the millage fails, know that property taxes will increase tremendously to cover the out of county expenses. We have a lovely community that needs us to stand up and support it.

Per the informational flyer I received from the Schoolcraft County Sheriff's Department during the tour, "Three Mills is what is being requested on the November ballot. On a home that's taxable value 'not appraised value' that is \$50,000 the cost would be \$.41 a day." That is about one quarter the cost of a bottle of Pepsi or Coca-Cola.

That really puts it in perspective and tells me that most of us could easily take on the expense if we choose to.

It is my hope that this letter will, at the very least, give you some things to think about. It would benefit you to take one of the remaining tours and make up your own mind. I hope that you do.

Shirley M. Young  
Manistique

**Dear Editor,**

Everyone connected to the Schoolcraft County Health Fair on Saturday deserves a huge "thank you". Community agencies, health care providers, volunteers, and organizers gave us a generous gift of time and expertise, and every year it gets even better.

We are so fortunate to live in a community that is not only beautiful, but caring. Thank you SMH and everyone involved!

Marty M. Young  
Manistique

In a recent article in "Windpower Engineering Development" dated Sept. 10, it was announced that Heritage Wind Farm has ordered 20 new turbines for the Garden Peninsula with another 60 ordered on contingency.

Do we really want a total of 94 huge turbines determining our future on the peninsula?

Marlene Winter-Johnson  
Garden

**Dear Editor,**

Young people need to vote!

Despite overwhelming agreement among climate scientists that humans are causing global warming, the Trump administration refuses to accept that fact. Instead it proposes rolling back restrictions on carbon pollution from cars and coal-fired plants.

And according to a NY Times article (Sept. 11, 2018), it now plans to ease restrictions on the release of methane. The article notes that while methane constitutes only about 9 percent of atmospheric greenhouse gasses, it is about 25 percent more effective than carbon dioxide in trapping heat.

The Trump administration's refusal to recognize, and try to reduce, global warming is a national disgrace. And the worst part is that the effects of it will be meted out on our children and grandchildren.

That makes it very important for young people to vote in the November election, and to vote for people who will try to limit the harm this terrible administration is doing to our country and the rest of the world.

Barbara Abbott  
Lake Leelanau, Mich.

**Dear Editor,**

A recent New Yorker editorial (Aug. 6 and Aug. 13, 2018) about getting out the vote noted that in the 2014 midterm election "the turnout among eligible voters aged 18 to 29 was 17 percent — one in six." How great is that statistic were 70 percent this year!

And, hopefully, those voters will remember that Jack Bergman, apparently a complete Trump pawn, has also done nothing to combat global warming.

Barbara Abbott  
Lake Leelanau, Mich.

**Dear Editor,**

The board meeting for the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility will take place Thursday, Sept. 27 at 9 a.m., at the facility.

Please plan on attending to learn more about how our local long-term care facility cares for our loved ones.

Let's support the board and the employees, learn their plans for the future of the facility, and voice our thoughts and ideas for improving the quality of life for all residents.

Carol A. Dixon  
Manistique

**Dear Editor,**

Another wonderful vacation in home town Manistique. Our Dougherty family reunion was held July 14 at the Lakeshore Campground pavilion and enjoyed by all.

Five families camped out there for the reunion. What a beautiful campground, well thought of in planning and design.

We stayed about three weeks in Manistique just enjoying going fishing, eating out, and just having fun. Taking walks down by the old Riverside School, which is no longer there; sitting on the front porch on Houghton Avenue, waving to the passersby; on Wednesdays, listening to music at the band shell; and on Tuesdays going to Roy's Place to listen to the music groups plus renewing old friendships!

Good bye until next summer,  
Gloria (Caron) Dougherty  
Belleville, Mich.

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Manistique

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## The Archives

This week in the Pioneer Tribune

### 50 years ago

**September 19, 1968**

Don't touch that clock. You're on Eastern Standard Time right now, and you're going to stay on Eastern Standard Time the year around if you live in Schoolcraft County. That's the decision of the County Board of Supervisors, made at their regular meeting here Tuesday night. For the past year the county has been on Central Standard Time in the winter and Central Daylight Savings Time in the summer. Here is where it gets tricky. In case you didn't know, Central Daylight Savings Time is the same time as Eastern Standard Time. Luce and Alger counties are on Eastern Standard Time, which Mackinac and Chippewa counties, and all of the lower peninsula, are on Eastern Standard Time in the winter and Eastern Daylight Savings Time in the summer. If you're still with us, we'll be on the same time as Alger, Luce, Mackinac, Chippewa and the lower peninsula during the winter months, but when summer comes, we'll be an hour later along with Alger and Luce counties. It will be lighter later in the winter and sunset sooner in the summer. But disregard later lights and sooner sunsets and just remember to never disregard small craft warnings and do not pass on the yellow lines, as well as never, never change your clock. That way you'll always know what time it is here, anyway, even if you aren't sure what time it is anywhere else. Is that clear? If you have any questions, call County Clerk Fred Lesica. His office hours are from 8 to 5. That's Eastern Standard Time.

Groundbreaking ceremonies for Manistique's long-awaited Senior Citizens low-income housing project will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at the site directly opposite the State Police post on US-2. Approval from Washington for the \$528,023 project was announced Monday in a telegram from Senator Philip A. Hart. City Manager Robert Noe reports that the final contracts for the 35-unit building have been drawn by the Department of Housing and Urban Development so that the firm of Developers, Inc. of Green Bay may proceed with the contract. The project is to be located off US-2 on a parcel of land 300 feet by 400 feet. The structure is three stories in height and consists of 34 one-bedroom units and one two-bedroom unit.

### 35 years ago

**September 22, 1983**

A complaint will be filed Thursday (today) against the Manistique Education Association which represents the professional staff, and its officers in the Schoolcraft County Circuit Court as a result of a resolution passed by the Manistique Area Schools Board of Education at a special meeting held Wednesday, Sept. 27. The complaint, which received unanimous board approval, will direct the members of the Manistique Education Association to return to work no later than Tuesday, Sept. 27. Those not returning to work without a verified excuse will be subject to termination. The striking school personnel are in violation of Section 2 of the Public Employment Relations Act, MCLA 423.202. The public act states striking by public employees is illegal.

In an attempt to become more self-supporting, the public transit system in Schoolcraft County has increased the rates of bus fares. As suggested by the Schoolcraft County Public Transit Advisory Board, and approved by

the County Board of Commissioners, the new rates are as follows: in town, \$1.50 for non seniors, .75 for seniors and handicapped people and \$1 for those under 12 years of age. Out of town rates are: \$2 for non seniors, \$1 for seniors and handicapped and \$1.50 for children under 12.

Players-of-the-Week: Steve Calloun, 15 lb. senior tight end caught three key passes in the Gwinn win. One pass was good for a 10 yard touchdown. Steve also kicked the winning extra point. Tim Henry, 145 lb. junior defensive back was in on 20 tackles to lead the Manistique defensive effort against Gwinn. Selected as defensive player of last week was David Archer, 165 lb. junior linebacker. David was one of the bright spots in the 33-12 loss to Ishpeming. He was in on a number of tackles, as well as having four solo tackles. Offensive player of the week was Jeff Erickson, 140 lb. senior tailback. Jeff rushed for 97 yards on 12 carries. Against Negaunee Jeff rushed 93 yards. Jeff also had a 40 yard run that set up Manistique's first score against Ishpeming.

### 20 years ago

**September 24, 1998**

Early estimates for the 1998-99 school year show that more students are enrolled in the Manistique Area Schools than previously anticipated by district officials. The MAS Board of Education discussed the enrollment situation with Superintendent Kenneth Groh at his Monday, Sept. 23 meeting. Groh told the board that preliminary count taken by district officials Thursday, Sept. 17, shows a student enrollment of roughly 1,278 pupils. The figure is an increase of roughly nine students from September 1997 and an increase of about 33 students from February of this year. While Groh said the increase is a good sign for the district's enrollment, the official fall student count will be conducted by the state later this month. He anticipates that the state's count will be somewhat lower, since three students have been placed in foster homes outside the district since Tuesday.

Members of Manistique High School 1998 Homecoming Court include Laura Winkel, Brendi Roberson, Tasha Cook, Ashley Rosebush, Greg Jarski, Mike Ozanich, Brooke Bowman and Ragen Forstner.

Taking first place in the Thursday Night Men's League at Indian Lake Golf and Country Club this summer were Kris Tennyson, Mark Hohlisch, Gregg Garver, Lon Brinkman, Butch Wood, Dan Selling, Mike MacGregor (Captain), Nick Beaudre, Zip Boyd and John Nelson.

### 10 years ago

**September 25, 2008**

For the past several weeks, the former Pathway Shell gas station on US-2 near Pamida has been a hub of activity, with environmental testing and, more recently, the removal of the underground tanks and above ground infrastructure. The site is being purchased by Moyle Real Estate and Development of Houghton, which is pursuing plans for a McDonald's restaurant, office and retail space, and a new larger building for a purpose that has not yet been disclosed. At a special meeting Tuesday, the Manistique Downtown Development Authority voted to support the project by extending the city water to the property.

On Sept. 21, the Garden Peninsula Historical Society held its 32nd annual recognition dinner, honoring current and past residents 80 and older. Nine people were honored at this year's event. The honorees at this year's dinner were Patricia Thill, Belle Swanson, Beverly Lucas, May Duchene, Jerry Richel, Buck Swanson, Lea Dorn Howard (Mohawk) Ansell and Virgil Pizzala.

Some young Manistique hockey fans had a chance to meet their heroes last weekend when they traveled to the Detroit Red Wings training camp in Traverse City. Making the special trip were Brent, Drew and Logan Savage, Nick and Lucas Gould, Brett Annelin and Justin and Payton Hobolik.

# Lake Effect Community Arts plans fundraising 'Evening with the Arts'

MANISTIQUE - From its inception, the dream of Lake Effect Community Arts has been to create a center for the arts in Manistique. On Sept. 29, LECA hopes to take a step toward that goal with a fundraising event.

"An Evening with the Arts" will take place from 6-9 p.m. at The Warehouse at Traders' Point. Both silent and live auctions will be featured, as well as musical performances, art demonstrations, wine, appetizers, and door prizes.

Tickets are available from any LECA board member, at the art gallery (212 South Cedar St.) and at Bostique. The cost is \$15 per

ticket or two for \$25.

This fundraiser will add to the group's existing building fund, which will eventually pay to purchase and/or build a cultural center for the area. The vision for the center is to create a place where the community can gather to enjoy and participate in all areas of the arts - a place to host performances by local and visiting entertainers, community theater productions, lecture series, special exhibits, dances, and classes.

The center would also house the Lake Effect Art Gallery and be available for local organizations and groups to use for meet-

ings, special events, and drop-in groups. The building could also serve as an open studio space for local and visiting artists.

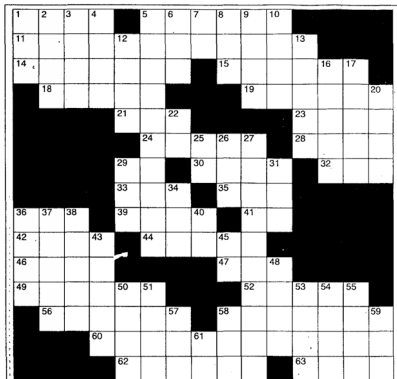
If unable to attend "An Evening with the Arts", residents may contribute to the building fund or participate as an absentee bidder in the auctions. Forms for both are available at [www.lakeeffectarts.org](http://www.lakeeffectarts.org).

Click on the "An Evening with the Arts" to complete an absentee bidder form or "Come Join Us" to make a building fund donation.

Further information is available by contacting LECA at [info@LakeEffectArts.org](mailto:info@LakeEffectArts.org).



Courtesy photo Above, some of the auction items for the event are shown



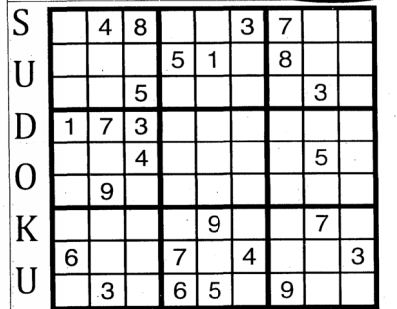
### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Relaxing places
- 5. Creepy crawler
- 11. Blacklisted artists
- 14. Fought for position
- 15. Outer layer of the eyeball
- 18. Gynocpedies composer
- 19. Membranes
- 23. Short-term memory
- 23. Comfort
- 24. Icelandic poems
- 26. Breezes through
- 29. In the general surface area
- 30. Replacement worker
- 32. Days have 24 of them (abbr.)
- 33. Bro or sis
- 35. Large, flightless bird
- 36. Future hovercraft
- 39. Complication
- 41. Core muscle
- 42. Electronic point of scale
- 44. Language of Cameroon
- 46. Skin problem

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. The woman
- 2. Leaders
- 3. OSin City/O actress
- 4. A type of machine
- 5. Enhancing an offer
- 6. Detachable aircraft unit
- 7. Priestless of Hera
- 8. Tooth caregiver
- 9. A way to engrave
- 10. Count on
- 12. Williamsor Airfield code
- 13. Ancient Greek city
- 16. Range
- 17. Ancient Roman poet
- 20. Scottish tax
- 22. Doc
- 25. Bad grades
- 26. A great pitcher
- 27. Helpers
- 29. Former CIA
- 31. Guy (slang)
- 34. Actress Ling
- 36. One from the Balkans
- 37. Unofficially boxes (abbr.)
- 38. Mathematical ratio
- 40. Atomic # 64
- 43. Broken glass
- 45. Equally
- 48. Serbian currency
- 50. Envisions
- 51. Source of the Nile
- 53. LeoOs acting pal
- 54. Sour
- 55. What relief pitchers do
- 57. Ma
- 58. Spy organization
- 59. Monetary unit
- 61. Megabyte

All puzzle answers are on page B3



Level: Intermediate

### Word Search

#### RENOVATION WORD SEARCH

T G W E W L S H C C C O N T R A C T O R E Y I  
J P I B Y N J S S A A K L P P U D E Y T  
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W N B T E W G R O U T K S S R N T G P W

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

- ALLOWANCE
- APPLIANCES
- ARCHITECT
- ASBESTOS
- AWNING
- BASEBOARD
- BEAMS
- CASING
- CAULKING
- CHANGE ORDER
- CIRCUIT
- CLOTH
- CONCRETE
- CONTRACTOR
- EXPENSES
- FIBERGLASS
- FIXTURES
- FORCED AIR
- GENERATOR
- GLAZING
- GROUT
- HEADER
- INSULATION
- JOINT
- LANDING
- MATERIALS
- PAINT
- PERMIT
- PLYWOOD
- PRIME
- RISER
- SOFFIT
- STAIRCASE
- SUPPLY
- VALVE
- WINDOWS

### CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to home improvement. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 22 = e)

- A. 2 6 13 13 25 3  
Clue: Hills, walls
- B. 15 3 12 22 6 7 7  
Clue: Shovel, track
- C. 3 25 11 19 23 6 9 25  
Clue: Improve
- D. 2 19 1 24 25  
Clue: Digging

# Veterans Affairs' SAIL scorecard released, Iron Mountain VA receives 5-star rating

WASHINGTON - Using a web-based report scorecard that measures, evaluates and benchmarks quality and efficiency at its medical centers, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs recently released data that showed significant improvements at the majority of its health care facilities.

Compared with data from the same period a year ago, the July 2018 release of VA's Strategic Analytics for Improvement and Learning report showed 103 (71

percent) VA Medical Centers have improved in overall quality - with the largest gains seen in areas where there were VA-wide improvement initiatives, such as mortality, length of stay and avoidable adverse events. Seven (5 percent) VAMCs had a small decrease in quality.

"This is a major step in the right direction to improving our quality of services for our Veterans," said VA Secretary Robert Wilkie. "Over the past year, we were able to identify our problems and implement

solutions to fixing the issues at 71 percent of our facilities. I'm extremely proud of our employees and the progress they have made to raise VA's performance for our nation's heroes."

Additionally, of the 15 medical centers placed under the Strategic Action for Transformation program, an initiative that monitors high-risk medical centers and mobilizes resources to assist the facilities, 33 percent (five medi-

cal centers) are no longer considered high-risk and 73 percent (11 medical centers) show meaningful improvements since being placed under STAT in January 2018.

Locally, the Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center has consistently rated as a 4 and 5 Star facility over the last couple of years. Of the 130 VA medical centers, the

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# Mackinac Financial Corporation board declares cash dividend on common stock

MANISTIQUE - Mackinac Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: MFNC), the bank holding company for mBank ("the Bank"), announced the approval of a cash dividend by its Board of Directors on Sept. 17, 2018. The Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$1.12 per common share, payable October 8, 2018 to shareholders of record as of September 27, 2018. The dividend is unchanged from

the prior quarter's dividend. Mackinac Financial Corporation is a registered bank holding company formed under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 with assets in excess of \$1.2 billion and whose common stock is traded on the NASDAQ stock market as "MFNC."

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### Timothy S. Neadow

COOKS — Timothy S. Neadow, 58, of Cooks, Mich., passed away Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018, at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, Mich.

He was born Oct. 24, 1959, in Manistiquette, Mich., the son of James and Wilma (Key) Neadow and attended school in Cooks. He later attended and graduated from Big Bay de Noc High School with the Class of 1977.

Tim worked road construction and was a member of the Union of Operating Engineers Local No. 324 for over 20 years. He was also a member of the U.P. Whitetails Association for Schoolcraft, Delta and Dickinson counties and was President of the Big Bay de Noc Cabin Fever Cruisers.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing and mud drags.

He especially loved auctions



Timothy S. Neadow

and was an avid collector of just about anything. Tim very much enjoyed the art of bartering and trading.

Tim is survived by his brother, Gregory "Todd" Neadow of Davisburg, Mich., and his niece, Ava Neadow of Davisburg, Mich.

He is preceded in death by his parents, James and Wilma.

A celebration of Tim's life will be held at the Inwood Township Hall in Cooks, on Thursday, Sept. 20, from 2-6 p.m. A luncheon will be held between the hours of 4-6 p.m. at the hall.

Burial will be in the Inwood Township Cemetery at Inwood Township.

Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home of Manistiquette is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mbfuneral.com](http://www.mbfuneral.com).

### Doris Archey

NAHMA — Doris Archey, 76, of Nahma, Mich., died peacefully in her sleep on Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018, at the Schoolcraft Medical Care Facility in Manistiquette.

She was born Nov. 28, 1941, in Gary, Ind., the daughter of Carmine and Mildred (Zaberd) Stanzone and attended school in Gary.

On Aug. 28, 1957, the former Doris Stanzone married Loyal P. Archey in Gary. They made their home in Hobart, Ind. and raised their family there. They moved to Nahma in the late 1980's and Loyal preceded her in death on June 29, 2013.

Doris was a homemaker who enjoyed arts and crafts, knitting and crocheting, along with collecting knick-knacks, especially butterflies. She also enjoyed listening to country music and was a member of



Doris Archey

the Manistique Eagles. Doris is survived by her children, Kathy Scheeringa of Nahma, Joseph (Alina) Archey of Nahma, Norma Archey of Evansville, Ind., David Archey of Lake Station, Ind., and Roger Archey of Lake Elizabeth, Ind.; along with several grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her brother, Richard; and her sister, Rosemary.

A gathering for family and friends is being planned at a later date in Nahma.

Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home of Manistiquette is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mbfuneral.com](http://www.mbfuneral.com).

### Merrill L. Archey

THOMPSON — Longtime Thompson resident, Merrill L. Archey, 95, of Manistiquette, Mich., died Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018, at Northern Comfort Home in Thompson Township.

He was born Sept. 8, 1923, in Manistiquette, the son of Jesse and Gunhild (Thompson) Archey and attended schools in Manistiquette. He was a graduate of Manistiquette High School Class of 1942. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Corp. seeing duty in the European Theatre.

With the surrender of Germany and the declaration of Victory in Europe, Merrill returned to the United States in July 1945 and was honorably discharged in October 1945.

On June 4, 1946, he married the former Lillian "Faye" Smith at St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistiquette. They made their home and raised their six children in Thompson. Faye preceded him in death on Dec. 20, 2013. Merrill was employed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources-Fisheries Division at the Thompson Fish Hatchery until his retirement in December 1982.

He was a member of St. Francis de Sales Church of Manistiquette, the Knights of Columbus Manistiquette Council No. 2026 and the Schoolcraft County V.F.W. Post No. 4420. He served as a 4-H leader for many years. He enjoyed gardening, wood-working, hunting, bowling in the area leagues, and wintering in Las Vegas following retirement.



Merrill L. Archey

Merrill is survived by his children, Rene (the late William) Engel, Laurel Glenn, Janet (Dean) Wild, Linda (Mike) Canon, Charles (Kathy) Archey, and Kathryn (Joseph) Wild; grandchildren, Marie (Russell) Van Horn, Jesse (Tomoko) Glenn, Ann (Adam) Carlson, Benjamin (Laura) Luxford, Alicia (Robert) Moore, Nicholas (Jennifer) Benedetto, Lindsay (Craig) Chadrick, Marisa (Ryan) Paruch, Andrew Archey, and Jamie (Michael) Bent; great grandchildren, Eulalia and Binby Carlson, Lillian "Lily" and Lucas Luxford, Peyton and Levi Moore, Sawyer and Ellie Chadrick, Olivia, Annabelle and Abigail Bent; along with nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by his sisters, Eleanor Irie, Lucille Archey, Phyllis Popour, Bernaida Nelson, Patricia Carlson, and Eileen Reque.

A memorial gathering will be held from 11 a.m. to noon Friday, Sept. 21, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Manistiquette.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at noon, at the church, with Father Ben Paris officiating. A luncheon will immediately follow.

Burial will be in the Thompson Township Cemetery in Thompson Township. Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Memorials may be directed to the organization of your choice. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mbfuneral.com](http://www.mbfuneral.com).

### David Neadow



David Neadow

MANISTIQUE — David D. Neadow, 70, of 729 Garden Ave., Manistiquette, Mich., died Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018, at his home in Manistiquette.

He was born Feb. 15, 1948, in Manistiquette, the son of John and Mae (Johnston) Neadow and was the youngest of 13 children. He was raised in Cooks and attended school there. He later served in the U.S. Army.

On March 23, 1974, he married the former Debra M. Weber at St. Francis de Sales Church in Manistiquette and they made their home and raised their family in Manistiquette.

David was employed as a heavy equipment operator with the Local No. 324 Operating Engineers and later the Schoolcraft County Road Commission until his retirement.

He was a member of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Manistiquette, the Schoolcraft County V.F.W. Post No. 4420, and the Fraternal Order of the Eagles of Manistiquette. He enjoyed being outdoors, especially at "The Blind" in Cooks, but most importantly, he loved spending time with his family, grandchildren, and friends.

David is survived by his wife, Debra M. Neadow of Manis-

tiquette; children, D.J. (Danielle) Neadow of Manistiquette and Dana Mae Neadow of Manistiquette; grandchildren, Taylor, Tatum, and Trevor Neadow; brother, Donald "Satch" (Amy) Neadow of Clarkston; sister, Mary Levine of Nahma; along with many special nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Eugene "Junior", Robert, Francis "Blackie", James, Ted, and Mike Neadow; his sisters, Stella Pilon, Betty Letson, Maxine "Mickey" Sinclair, and Mary Neadow; and his in-laws, Vincent and Lucille Weber.

Visitation will be held from 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19, at Messier-Broulliere Funeral Home in Manistiquette. Services celebrating David's life will follow at 6 p.m. at the funeral home, led by Father Ben Paris. Refreshments will follow at the V.F.W. Hall in Manistiquette.

Memorial donations may be directed to the Schoolcraft County V.F.W. in Manistiquette or to St. Francis de Sales School in Manistiquette.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mbfuneral.com](http://www.mbfuneral.com).

## SCD awarded UP deer habitat grant

MANISTIQUE — The Schoolcraft Conservation District has been awarded a U.P. Deer Habitat Improvement Program Initiative Grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for the second year in a row. The grant is targeted for implementation in the U.P. and designed to foster productive relationships between Michigan DNR, sportsmen's organizations, concerned citizens and other partners who produce deer habitat improvement benefits and educate the public about the importance of the work and the scientific principles involved in it.



Courtesy photo

The Schoolcraft Conservation District recently received a deer habitat improvement grant.

The broad purpose is to develop a collaborative approach to deer habitat improvement on private land ownerships across the U.P. SCD's goal is to help produce tangible on-the-ground deer habitat (summer and/or winter range) improvements in Schoolcraft County.

Two areas in Schoolcraft County were selected on Weyerhaeuser lands and open to the public, one in the southeast (Mueller Township) and the other in the southwest (Thompson Township). Weyerhaeuser is an integral partner with SCD providing areas on their lands where SCD could create deer habitat improvement near winter deer yards.

The need for habitat improvement near winter yards

was identified as high due to the severe winters experienced prior to 2017. In 2017, grant work focused on site preparation, including the creation of multiple 0.15-2 acre-sized openings, and then seeding each site with wildlife forage such as rye and clovers.

This year, SCD volunteers transplanted apple and oak trees donated by SCD into these sites.

**Deer habitat continued on A5**

## VA ranking

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Iron Mountain-based VA medical center ranks eleventh in quality, fourth in access to care, and third in patient satisfaction according to the most recent report issued in July.

The facility has also consistently rated as one of eight VA hospitals in the top 10 percent of all VA hospitals in terms of patient satisfaction since 2012.

"Our employees and volunteers are at the heart of successfully fulfilling our mission of providing exceptional healthcare to our nation's Veterans, and they are the reason that we are a 5-Star facility," said Jim Rice, Director of the Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center.

The quarterly SAIL report, which has been released publicly since 2015, assesses 25 quality metrics and two efficiency and productivity metrics in areas such as death rate, complications and patient satisfaction, as well as overall efficiency and physician capacity at 146 VAMCs. It is used as an internal learning tool for VA leaders and personnel to pinpoint and study VAMCs with high quality and efficiency scores, both within specific measured areas and overall.

The data is also used to identify best practices and develop strategies to help troubled facilities improve.

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# 'Strait' to the top: Gulliver resident makes climb

By Krystal Moralee  
Contributing writer

ST. IGNACE — "Wow." That was what Tom Kaltz thought 50 years ago, the first time he crossed the Mackinac Bridge. He was 15 years old at the time, and he immediately wanted to climb the tower. Of course, he couldn't, but it was a dream he never forgot.

It was also the first word out of his mouth on Wednesday morning, when he came through a small hatch in the steel and found himself standing on top of the south tower of the bridge. His 50-year bucket list dream had come true.

And lucky me, because he's my dad, I got to accompany him on the climb.

Kaltz, 65, grew up downstate in North Branch, graduating from North Branch High School in 1971. He later became an iron worker with Local 25, so he was pretty comfortable with his boots on steel and hard hat touching the sky. Throughout his 30-year career, he never did get the opportunity to get on top of the bridge, though.

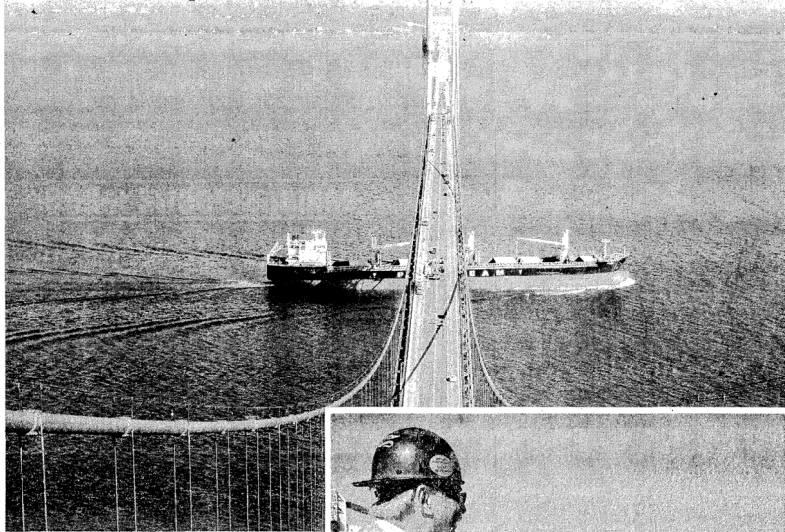
On trips to the Upper Peninsula, he liked to stop at the Mackinac Bridge Museum in Mackinaw City to check out the memorabilia and watch the videos about the building of the bridge. He never forgot that dream he'd had since he was a kid.

After retirement, he and my mom, Cathy Kaltz, moved north to Gulliver. They made frequent trips over the bridge, and it was a lifeline for me and my sons to reach them.

The bridge was always there, tall and silent, withstanding waves and wind and snow, waiting for the day my dad would make his climb.

The Mackinac Bridge Authority takes applications each year from charities that would like to auction off a tower tour as a fundraiser, and 25 tours are granted annually. Kaltz has been bidding on tours at various events for years, and finally, at the end of July, he was the highest bidder at an event benefiting the Erickson Center for the Arts in Curtis.

He declined to reveal the price



Courtesy photos

Above, the Polish Steamship Co. bulk carrier Irma passed under the Mackinac Bridge during Gulliver resident Tom Kaltz's recent visit. Kaltz, pictured at right, climbed one of the bridge's two towers to fulfill his 50-year dream.

he paid for the tour, but did say he could hear his wife, who passed away in October, over his shoulder, urging him to make it happen before he got too old to make the climb.

And so, he did. The journey to the top of the bridge isn't for anyone who is claustrophobic, or has a fear of heights, because the spaces are tight, and the tower is tall — 552 feet above the water surface, to be exact. It starts at the Bridge Authority office on the Upper Peninsula side of the bridge, where a waiver is signed.

From there, tour guests catch a ride in a Bridge Authority track across the bridge to Mackinaw City, and around the loop to re-

enter the bridge on the northbound side. The truck pulls over at the south tower, and the adventure begins with a climb through a small hatch in the tower, and cramming three people into a tiny elevator built for two.

It's an uncomfortable ride, but climbing the entire way would be worse. Once the elevator opens, you squeeze out the opening, one at a time, into a small steel cell, and head up a ladder through a hatch that is so narrow, you have to put your arms overhead to feed your shoulders through. A maze of cells, small openings and ladders follow, marked by scrawls in permanent marker showing the way up or down.

It would be easy to go the wrong way, as the light is dim and everything looks the same.

Paul Matelski, a Moran resident, and steeplejack and foreman for the past 23 years with the Bridge Authority, was our tour guide on Wednesday. When asked how many times he's been up the tower in that time, his response was, "too many. Lots." It's hard to imagine, though, getting tired of the view when it's your first time.

After one last long climb up a ladder through a series of circular steel openings, the sky is visible overhead, and as your head comes through the top of the bridge, the scene before you is awe-inspiring. Both peninsulas of Michigan, highways, the Straits of Mackinac and lakes Huron and Michigan, islands including St. Helena, Mackinac, Round and Bois Blanc, lighthouses, passing freighters and ferries, and more are on display all the way around.

If you're brave enough to peer over the railing, the vehicles below look toy-sized. The nearly five-mile span of the bridge is impressive from up above. The lights are far larger than they appear from below.

It's pure Michigan at its finest, viewed from the top of the tower.

"It was greater than I anticipated," said Kaltz, who was still grinning 24 hours after the experience. "The feeling was basically relief. I finally got to do what I wanted to do for such a long time."

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Two apple trees and three oak were transplanted into each site, except one, providing additional habitat.

Additional food plots are also being established as a part of the 2018 grant. SCD is working on proposals for the 2019 U.P. deer habitat improvement program grant.

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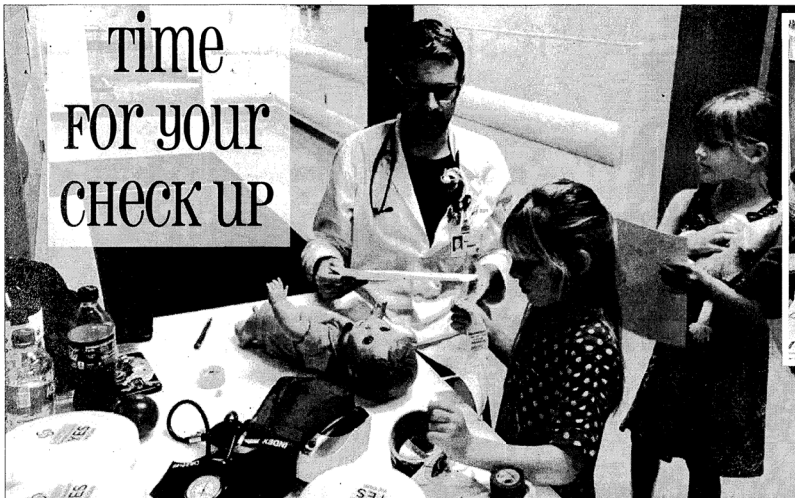
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Bingo, bingo, bingo! Those that love to play bingo will get the chance to return to the Gladstone Senior Center for bingo. The bus will depart from the senior center Oct. 25 at 10:30 a.m.

We are asking for a \$6 donation to cover transportation. Lunch and bingo costs are on your own.

Do you like to write short stories? Now is the time to consider joining the Creative Writers Group. This group will meet at the senior center, beginning Sept. 24 at 4 p.m. and continue to meet on the last Monday of the month until the end of May. Exceptions are Dec. 17, instead of the week of Christmas and May 21, due to Memorial Day.

This group has been meeting for 25 years under the direction of Instructor, Betty LaPointe. I have to chuckle, as Betty has said over and over that she was going to retire. They now have 10 books published. This year the book will be available on Amazon and Betty plans on uploading all 10 editions.

Her goal this year is to have the class working on individual projects in writing. She will assist in providing writing exercises and more writing instruction. Don't forget to get this fun class on your calendar.

The center is still looking for players for the Hands and Foot card game. If you are interested, give the center a call at 341-5923.

We currently have three signed up. After receiving a few calls recently asking about Life Line, I did a little researching. My finding is as follows:

Community Home Medical (341-1116) provides what is called "Guardian Alert". You pay a one-time fee of \$199.95 and when the button is pushed you are directly connected to 911.

Scholcraft Memorial Home Care offers two different services. One is called "Life Line" where you pay \$30 a month and you push a button for help. For \$45 a month you can get a fall pendant that detects movement and goes off when you take a fall. If you have a spouse, you can get the second pendant for a charge of \$10. You can have either hooked up to a landline or a cell phone, but they stress that if the cell phone goes out of service, your protection turns off.

Line Dancing is ending with the last class being held Sept. 27. I encourage you to drop by and check this group out. They certainly have a great time! If enough interest is shown, I am sure we could convince Es and Sharon Mattson to return again next summer, even to get a refresher course.

I love watching this couple dance. They remind me of Warren and Billie MacGregor, as they just float around the room. The class on Sept. 27 will begin at 1:30 p.m.

The Good Grief Support has

had such a nice response that they are going to meet two times a week. This is a six-week session with Carol Cooper/Klagstad and Judi Zerilla as facilitators. If you would like to be added to the list they can be reached at 341-3805. We all know that it is never easy losing a loved one.

Bridge Sept. 10: First-Rosie Krall, Second-Audrey Savoie, Third-Lawm Krall, CF-Linda Rowan, Hostess, Nancy Brown.

Bridge Sept. 14: First-Rosie Krall, Second-Doris DeMars, Third-Audrey Savoie, CF-Carol Hough, Hostess, Patsy Calhoun.

500 Sept. 14: First-Pat Clark, Second-Gary Koepke, Third-Kim Jones, Should'a stayed home-Arlene DeMers (finally got your name in the paper!)

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Are you going on the Nashville Bus Trip in October? If so, the Fundraising Committee suggested you might want to consider buying a \$10 t-shirt that has the center logo on it.

Line Dancing is ending with the last class being held Sept. 27. I encourage you to drop by and check this group out. They certainly have a great time! If enough interest is shown, I am sure we could convince Es and Sharon Mattson to return again next summer, even to get a refresher course.

I love watching this couple dance. They remind me of Warren and Billie MacGregor, as they just float around the room. The class on Sept. 27 will begin at 1:30 p.m.

The Good Grief Support has

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## News Brief

### 'Adopt-A-Highway' fall cleanup Sept. 22-30

LANSING — Volunteers will soon be scouring the roadsides looking for trash during the year's final Adopt-A-Highway pickup. Thousands of volunteers in the popular Michigan Department of Transportation program will be picking up litter along highway roadsides from Sept. 22, through Sept. 30.

There are three scheduled Adopt-A-Highway pickups each year: one each in the spring, summer and fall. Volunteers in Michigan have been participating in the program since 1990. Every year, Adopt-A-Highway volunteers collect 65,000 to 70,000 bags of trash. The popular program has grown to involve more than 2,800 groups cleaning 6,300 miles of highway.

Motorists should be on the lookout beginning Saturday for volunteers wearing high-visibility, yellow-green safety vests. Visit [www.michigan.gov/adoptahighway](http://www.michigan.gov/adoptahighway) for more information.

## Safety stations

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of the building," he said. "Once it's the end of the season, we'll pull them out because the ice, I believe, would do damage."

Wood said Boy Scouts and Manistique Area Schools building trades instructor Kevin Brown assisted in building the units.

Manistique Public Safety Director Ken Golat spoke in support of the units.

"We do have a rip current issue there," he said, noting that there is signage in place to warn visitors and residents about the risk of swimming in that area. "There's actually four signs."

Golat said he contacted the Mackinac County Sheriff's Department, which has utilized both signage and water safety stations in their area.

"They have been successful — there has been very little theft," he explained. "I feel that if we implement this program, we can improve safety."

Golat added that he would like to provide Wood with \$400 out of the public safety department's budget to help complete the project.

Following Wood's presentation, city council voted to approve a total of \$800 to fund his project.

By Sept. 18, both stations were in place on the beach. Following the installation, Golat issued a press release regarding the new structures.

"The stations are constructed of treated lumber, marked with a red flag, and each contain a surf rescue board, a life ring and throw rope, a life vest, and a first aid kit, all marked 'City of Manistique,'" Golat said. "One of the stations is located near the Range Street Beach parking lot and other is on the same beach near the east breakwall leading to the light-house."

The city of Manistique and public safety department would like to thank Matthew Wood for his outstanding project which serves to enhance the safety his fellow citizens and the visitors to Manistique."

## EDC rift

found out that, yes, there is interest from all parties involved to come up with a solution to the chaos that happened a month ago."

For that reason, Rantanen said a group consisting of commissioners and EDC members would meet to reinstate the past by-laws of the EDC to enable further discussion and action to effectively separate the boards of the EDC and the STC.

"Which was one of the main concerns of the attorney," she explained. "Had this been set up ahead of time, I think a lot of this would have been handled without the cost of the attorney ... we, as the commission board, were misinformed by the reports coming back to us."

Mersnick explained that he learned during the recent meeting with EDC members that the group had, in fact, completed their 2014 audit and was in the process of securing an auditor for the 2015 and 2016 EDC audits.

"As the chair (person), I apologized to the two members that were there, because I felt that it could have been handled a little bit differently, in regards to more looking into it," he said. "I believe that, as commissioners, we need to be part of the solution, not part of the problem."

Mersnick added that the commissioners need to see a completion of the audits, a separation of the boards, and a "clarity" about "where the EDC board stands and where the STC board stands."

"I believe that we're working in that direction," he said.

Rantanen noted that the conversation held with EDC members clarified most of the issues brought forth in the letter.

"What we're looking at doing now is going back and rescinding the letter, getting some people ... to sit down and figure how

we're going to separate the EDC part (from the STC board)," she said, adding that the finances had already been separated. "Everyone's willing to take the time to move forward on this."

Rantanen went on to introduce her motion to rescind the letter.

"We believe the framework, which will be amenable to all parties, is being developed and can be established in the near future," she said. "Therefore, the requests made in the EDC letter are rescinded at this time."

The motion was supported by Commissioner Dan Hoholik, who cast the sole "no" vote against sending the original letter to the EDC.

Following the introduction and support of the motion, Reiter pointed out that the current EDC board bylaws call for a nine-person board which includes county and city officials.

Shortly after joining the EDC as executive director in June 2015, Barr expressed his intention to expand the EDC Board. In an April 2016 update given during a county commission meeting, Barr noted that the EDC Board had 14 members and solicitations for members would continue to increase participation in EDC efforts.

"Right now ... if everybody un-resigned, it would be around 15, without any city members on it," Reiter said. "I don't have a problem with anything Chris is saying ... I think it's always better to work to come up with a solution."

What I would like to see is, since we know that the number that we're going to be working on is quite smaller than is there right now, and since we did have letters of resignation and resignations in person from the people (EDC members) ... we could rescind the letter, but we could accept the resignations and then, at this point,

put out an interest of who would still like to stay on and what numbers we're looking at," Reiter continued. "When we do pick the nine-person board ... that way we can get people from the city."

Rantanen pointed out that restructuring the board would be the next step in the process, as was already discussed.

"I'm going to be quite honest with you — there is not one person who is dealing with this who is willing to sit at this table and to put this back in place who will sit at the table with you (Reiter)," she said. "Realistically, if this is going to work, the first resignation should come from Craig Reiter."

Reiter said he didn't have a problem with that and he knows "it's always the messenger that gets the first arrow."

Hoholik noted that the motion presented to the board is to rescind the letter and further action would be introduced as needed.

"The letter is not incorrect," Reiter noted.

Rantanen disagreed, saying the law firm was provided with misinformation by Reiter.

"The information that was provided to us (those meeting with the EDC after the letter was sent) and the information you provided to the attorney ... were two different things," she said, adding that the rest of the board hadn't seen what Reiter submitted to the law firm. "Until we can verify the information you provided to the attorney to make their decisions ... at this time, we cannot take, at value, what the attorney's letter said."

Mersnick said he's not in favor of accepting the resignations of the EDC board members and asking them to resubmit letters of interest to serve on the board again.

"It's almost another slap in their face," he said. "I'm not looking for who's right or who's wrong,

and, by accepting the resignations, I think we're saying that they're wrong."

Rantanen added that currently, the EDC could be considered "defunct".

"There is no finance for it," she said. "We're talking about going back to an EDC — we have to look at how we're going to fund it, how you're going to promote it ... it's not going to be a fly by night thing."

In addition, Rantanen pointed out that audits for the EDC used to be included as part of the county audit. That was changed in 2009, when then-commissioners voted to have the EDC and Schoolcraft County Medical Care Facility complete their own audits.

"How are they (EDC) supposed to pay for an audit? They have no money," Rantanen asked. "There's some major things that have to be addressed for it even work."

Commissioners Rantanen, Hoholik, and Mersnick voted "yes" to rescind the previously distributed EDC letter and to not accept the resignations of the EDC board members. Commissioners Ott and Reiter voted "no". The motion passed.

After voting, Reiter presented a motion to solicit bids for the completion of the 2015, 2016, and 2017 EDC audits.

"They don't have the money to do it — it needs to be done," he said. "It's a simple audit, not a governmental audit."

Reiter's motion was seconded by Ott.

Rantanen questioned why, if it is a "simple" audit, the previous auditors took so long to complete the 2014 audit.

Mersnick noted that the EDC is currently working with an auditor to complete the more recent audits.

"We don't technically have to make a motion to have it done,

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because I believe ... it might be done," he said. "If it isn't, then I guess we're obligated to take action (at that time)."

EDC Board member David Muxlow explained that the new auditor has reviewed the available financial records and has agreed to work with the EDC.

"It is going to be a challenge, because, same as the 2014 audit pointed out, there is material deficiencies and record-keeping," he said. "When you're auditing, your audit is only as good as the material provided to you, but because there was poor record-keeping during those years ... it causes ... too much risk for them."

Muxlow added that the audits will cost approximately \$1,500 per year completed.

"That's about how much money the EDC had left in it ... we were only going to use that money for audits," he said. "There was no co-mingling of funds at all from our two organizations (the EDC and STC). The reason STC had to raise money and form as STC is because the county didn't own economic development corporation any longer."

Rantanen suggested the finance committee meet to ensure the EDC is allotted enough funds to complete the audits.

"I'm not comfortable ... to actually take on it," she said. "Let us take a look at it in finance (committee)."

Reiter contended that the finance committee will not know how much to allot for the audits unless they request bids on the service.

Commissioners Reiter and Ott voted "yes" on the motion, while commissioners Rantanen, Mersnick, and Hoholik voted "no". The motion failed.

No other action was taken regarding the EDC.

## Fish Report

Ret. Sgt. John Walker

Well, the weather has taken a dip into more fall like weather, but you have to admit the last week or so have sure been a great time to be out in the woods. It has been rather dry so you could use some of the 2-tracks where they become one big mud hole when the heavy fall rains come our way. When you do go out to enjoy the woods remember the hunting seasons are open so safe and wear some hunters orange.

This time of year it seems that there are almost as many ATVs out exploring the woods as there are other motor vehicles. This time of year, when traveling the back roads, remember that most people using them are also looking around at the scenery and watching for game so they are not always as alert for other traffic as they should be, so keep this in mind.

I really think it must be a conspiracy by PETA and the anti-hunters when gas prices always seem to go up just when a party wanted to spend more time wandering around out in the woods. Maybe we should come up with some program where there is a senior discount for someone over 70.

The past week or so there has been a lot of activity down on the river near the Black Bass Hole. At times there is a touch of those "Good-old-days" with the number of fishermen standing all together trying to hook the big one. It is that time in the fall when an all-around sportsman would like to be able to go off in three directions at once. It has always amazed me how quick everything seems to start up and how quick things can come to an end a couple of months down the road.

It is also that time of year when the trappers are out checking things out and trying to find some places where he can place his traps for a successful trapping season. As I have said before, trapping in today's world is a hobby of love because when you figure all you spend doing it and what you usually get for your furs you are surely not going to get rich anytime soon.

With each fall season it is a true fact of nature that most critters do not want to spend the winter out in the cold so they usually make plans to move in doors. This is why I couldn't and still can't figure out why a little thing like a mouse can cause a person to go into a full blown panic.

Okay, picture this. It is early in the morning when you walk out of the bedroom into the living room when from behind your TV comes this little innocent mouse just look-

ing for a warm place to hide and spend the winter. But, oh no, a mouse — so you automatically go into a panic mode and turn around tripping over a foot stool and crashing onto the floor hitting your head.

Of course our little mouse is scared near to death with this person crashing to the floor while trying to head-but him so he runs for his life back behind the TV.

So now it has become a war game with the mouse playing peek-a-boo from behind the TV and my wife now armed with her faithful broom is on the hunt to destroy this poor little critter. Now the question has become who is quicker the person armed with a broom or the little mouse playing peek-a-boo? Needless to say the score ended up being my wife "0" and mouse figuring it may be a lot safer and maybe a lot wiser to forget watching TV and head off to the basement.

Of course this mouse does not solve the mouse problem for my wife, so now it's time run a trap line from the upstairs to the basement trying to catch this poor little mouse. But seeing I am such a nice guy, I was more than willing to ad-

vice my wife that very seldom does Mr. Mouse travel alone, usually if he finds a nice cozy place to spend the winter he is always willing to let the rest of his clan know where he is and he invites them over to join him.

So look at the interesting fact that if I really am successful with my trap lines, someone may get a new fur coat for Christmas.

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News Briefs

Michigan first in nation to deploy drones in recent PFAS location effort

LANSING — In what is thought to be the first-ever use of drones to search for possible locations of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substance contamination, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality this week will deploy a drone over Lake Margrethe to locate springs that could be carrying PFAS contamination from past firefighting activities at the nearby Camp Grayling military base. The DEQ will fly a DJI 210 drone fitted with both Forward Looking Infrared and regular cameras just offshore and at an altitude of 50 to 100 feet above the lake. If cold springs entering the warmer lake are present, they will be visible with the FLIR camera. The entry of cold springs does not confirm the presence of PFAS con-

tamination but discovering the flow of groundwater from the base into surface waters will allow the DEQ to better target sampling efforts. Identifying the flow of groundwater into a surface water body may also assist in effective placement of treatment, if needed. Following the creation of standards and procedures to protect public safety and address privacy concerns, the DEQ has recently expanded the use of drone technologies to assist in environmental investigations throughout the state. Although using drones for thermal imaging is not new, this is believed to be the first time the technology has been used as part of a PFAS investigation. "To the best of our knowledge, this is the first time anyone has ever

used a FLIR-equipped drone in the hunt for potential PFAS contamination," said Carol Isaacs director of the Michigan PFAS Action Response Team. "Like our first-in-the-nation testing of public water systems, this innovative use of technology is another example of MPART's proactive approach to this emerging contaminant." PFAS compounds are a group of emerging and potentially harmful contaminants used in thousands of applications globally including firefighting foam, food packaging, and many other consumer products. These compounds also are used by industries such as tanners, metal platers, and clothing manufacturers. The discovery of PFAS contamination is a nationally growing trend across the United States.

MDOT postpones reopening of Cut River Bridge due to steel problems

LANSING — The ongoing \$4.8 million Michigan Department of Transportation project to repair the Heath M. Robinson Memorial Cut River Bridge on U.S. Highway 2 in Mackinac County is running behind schedule. It's now anticipated the planned reopening of the bridge to traffic will be delayed by four weeks. The detour currently in place was set to be lifted Sept. 15, but the bridge is now expected to be

reopened to traffic on Oct. 18. Eastbound and westbound US-2 remains closed at the bridge. Eastbound traffic will be detoured on Prater Boulevard to Cut River Road and back to US-2. The detour will be reversed for westbound traffic. The detour route is approximately 3.6 miles. Commercial vehicles are encouraged to detour using I-75, M-123, M-28, and M-117. "During the project, our contrac-

tor encountered more deteriorated steel than initially anticipated," explained Dawn Gustafson, manager of the Newberry Transportation Service Center. "This meant adding more work, along with delays for fabrication. MDOT and the contractors, Seaway Painting and Anlan Corp., are making every effort to expedite the remaining work. We ask for everyone's patience as we finish this project and get the bridge reopened to traffic."

School attendance is key to school success. Students who are not in the classroom for instruction tend to not perform as well as students who are present for lessons their teachers deliver.

Manistique Area Schools recognizes 10 absences as the maximum number of absences acceptable per semester. This is consistent with expectations across the state, with many schools adopting the mantra, "Strive for Five" to encourage students to not miss more than five days per semester. According to the website Attendance Matters (www.attendancematters.org), across the country, more than 7 million students are missing so many days of school that they are academically at risk.

Chronic absence — missing 10 percent or more of school days due to absence for any reason — excused, unexcused absences and suspensions, can translate into third-graders unable to master reading, sixth-graders failing subjects and ninth-graders dropping out of high school. The Michigan revised school code recognizes an educational value in regular attendance at school. The code states that classroom attendance instills a concept of self-discipline, exposes a student to group interactions with teachers and fellow students, and enables a student to hear and participate in

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class discussion and other related learning experiences.

So why is all of this important? Among other things, Michigan is one of the 15 states plus the District of Columbia to have adopted a Third-Grade Reading Retention Law.

Starting in 2020, a third-grader who doesn't meet a certain reading proficiency level will have to repeat that grade.

There is a great deal of research and data that supports the importance of regular school attendance. To that end, the Manistique Area Schools District has gone to great lengths to initiate automated phone calls to parents when children are absent from school and that absence is not verified with the school.

Parents of students in grades K-12 are also notified of chronic absences via office generated attendance letters which are sent out on a regular basis.

Families of students attending Manistique Area Schools need to understand that school attendance is required and parents of students who do not attend school regularly are at risk of being referred to law enforcement for allowing their

children to be truant. Again this year, MAS will work with Truancy Officer Amy Calouette, who works out of Delta County.

The guidance that the district will be using to refer families for truancy is those who miss more than 10 percent of the school year or 10 days per semester — 20 days per school year. Notification to parents will be made on a regular basis once a student reaches five absences.

If you have concerns about your child's attendance we encourage you to be proactive and contact the school offices to discuss your concerns.

Ultimately, it is the legal obligation of parents to ensure that their children are attending school regularly.

As student growth and achievement requirements continue to increase, it is more important now than ever before that all students be in school on a regular basis.

This means that appointments should be made after school hours and family vacations limited to times when school is not in session.

DEADLINE FOR NATURAL GAS SERVICE APPLICATIONS

Time is running out to have natural gas service installed this year.

SEMCO ENERGY Gas Company will accept applications until OCTOBER 1st for installation of gas service in 2018. Applications received after that date may need to be scheduled for installation in the 2019 construction season.

Also, projects approved for 2018 installation must be graded and ready for installation by October 1st.

For more information contact Erik Lindsay, SEMCO Marketing Department, at 1-800-860-4277, Ext. 5920.



Police Log

Manistique Public Safety Department

Monday, Sept. 17, 2018

10:50 a.m., MDOP, Manistique Lakeview Cemetery.

12:09 p.m., larceny of gasoline, E. Lakeshore Drive.

3:35 p.m., lock out, Thompson Township.

3:37 p.m., animal complaint, within city.

4:30 p.m., landlord/tenant issues, Park Avenue.

8:45 p.m., animal complaint, Steuben Street.

6:00 p.m., trespassing, City ski hill.

11:56 p.m., suspicious situation, Delta Avenue.

Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018

9:30 a.m., suspicious person, W. Lakeshore Drive.

10:00 a.m., hazardous material emergency training, within the city.

3:00 p.m., lock out, Trader's Point Drive.

3:02 p.m., burglar alarm, River Street.

3:30 p.m., larceny of gasoline, W. Lakeshore Drive.

2:04 a.m., assault, Deer Street.

2:25 a.m., disorderly/resisting and obstructing, Deer Street.

Sunday, Sept. 16, 2018

9:50 a.m., burglar alarm, River Street.

10:38 a.m., harassment, Elm Street.

8:45 p.m., permission to burn, Park Avenue.

9:00 p.m., suspicious situation, E. Elk Street.

10:40 p.m., department assist, N. Eighth Street.

Houghton Avenue.

9:42 a.m., burn barrel violation, Range Street.

9:57 a.m., PIA, N. Maple Street.

12:00 p.m., felony warrant arrest, within the city.

12:55 p.m., lock out, E. Lakeshore Drive.

2:45 p.m., suspicious situation, Walnut Street.

3:56 p.m., suspicious situation, Park Avenue.

4:20 p.m., PDA, E. Lakeshore Drive and Veterans Drive.

5:00 p.m., traffic control, Law Enforcement Torch Run.

1:07 a.m., alarm, E. Lakeshore Drive.

Friday, Sept. 14, 2018

9:45 a.m., MIP of tobacco, Main Street.

3:04 p.m., vehicle fire, E. Lakeshore Drive.

4:10 p.m., citizen assist, within the city.

4:10 p.m., safety hazard, Schoolcraft Avenue.

4:45 p.m., child neglect, N. Cedar Street.

5:28 p.m., suicidal subject, N.

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

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018

10:15 a.m., MDOP, Garden Avenue.

10:38 a.m., found property, Michibay Road.

5:40 p.m., well being check, Pearl Street.

8:53 p.m., alarm, Deer Street.

9:35 p.m., domestic, S. Fourth Street.

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018

8:06 a.m., two car PDA, Oak Street.

9:30 a.m., emergency drill, Oak Street.

11:15 a.m., speeding vehicles, Alger Avenue.

11:18 a.m., BOL careless driving, U.S. 2.

1:19 p.m., possible 54002, U.S. 2.

2:06 p.m., possible OWI, within the city.

Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018

7:21 a.m., two car PDA, E. Lakeshore Drive.

8:05 a.m., two car PDA, within the city.

8:30 a.m., careless driving, N.

ACE Hardware advertisement featuring various tools and products with prices like \$189.99, \$279.99, \$429.99, \$29.99, \$99.99, \$199.99, \$119.99, \$149.99, \$109.99. Includes text: 'The best tool for saving money.', 'Nutrena', 'Prices Good Through September 30', 'ACE HOHOLIK'S Inc.', '145 River St. • Manistique, MI 49854 • (906) 341-5612 • FAX (906) 341-2768'

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# Sports



### NFL standings

**NFL STATS as of 09-19-18**

**AFC**

East	W	L	T
1. Miami Dolphins	2	0	0
2. NE Patriots	1	1	0
3. New York Jets	1	1	0
4. Buffalo Bills	0	2	0

**North**

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

**South**

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

**West**

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

**NFC**

**East**

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

**North**

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

**South**

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

**West**

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

## Emeralds host cross country invitational

MANISTIQUE – With a change in venue, the Manistique cross country team held their one and only home meet at Intake Park last Wednesday. The invitational had, in prior years, been held at the Schoolcraft County Environmental Lab in Manistique Township.

With sunny and warm weather conditions, seven schools competed in four races which included varsity and middle school. The course this year was a 5K out and back with a loop for the varsity races and a 1.6 mile loop for middle school.

Seasoned runner and Emerald stand-out in cross country and track and field, Alex Misniakiewicz, covered the 3.1 mile terrain in 19:24 to take first place for the boys.

Larson Nebel from Munising



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### Cross Country continued on B2

From the start, Alex Misniakiewicz was the leader of the pack last Wednesday during the Emeralds' home cross country invitational. Above, Misniakiewicz took charge as the boys' varsity teams crossed the bridge at Intake Park beginning their 3.1 mile trek on the trails through the woods.

## Decision to be made on season

MANISTIQUE – For the second week in a row, the Emerald varsity football team cancelled their game due to a lack of healthy players. The Emeralds were scheduled to host Westwood Friday. As with prior cancellations, this game will not be rescheduled.

This is the third game the team has had to forfeit in their 2018 season. The Emeralds previously cancelled their game against Gwinn Aug. 30 and Negaunee Sept. 14.

According to Manistique High School Athletic Director Rob Ryan, a final determination will be made Sept. 24 as to whether Manistique will field a varsity team for the remaining four weeks or if they will cancel the rest of the varsity football season.

Cancellation of their schedule will not affect the junior varsity team, who will travel to Westwood tonight for a 6:30 p.m. game.

The JV squad will be back at home Sept. 27 when they play host to the Mustangs from Munising.

### MLB standings

**MLB Standings as of 09-19-18**

Team	W	L
<b>American League East</b>		
1. Boston Red Sox	103	48
2. New York Yankees	92	58
3. Tampa Bay Rays	84	66
4. Toronto Blue Jays	69	82
5. Baltimore Orioles	43	108
<b>American League Central</b>		
1. Cleveland Indians	84	66
2. Minnesota Twins	70	81
3. Detroit Tigers	61	90
4. Chicago White Sox	59	91
5. Kansas City Royals	52	99
<b>American League West</b>		
1. Houston Astros	95	56
2. Oakland Athletics	90	61
3. Seattle Mariners	83	68
4. Los Angeles Angels	75	76
5. Texas Rangers	64	87
<b>National League East</b>		
1. Atlanta Braves	83	68
2. Philadelphia Phillies	77	73
3. Washington Nationals	77	75
4. New York Mets	70	81
5. Miami Marlins	59	92
<b>National League Central</b>		
1. Chicago Cubs	89	62
2. Milwaukee Brewers	86	66
3. St. Louis Cardinals	84	68
4. Pittsburgh Pirates	76	74
5. Cincinnati Reds	65	87
<b>National League West</b>		
1. Los Angeles Dodgers	84	68
2. Colorado Rockies	82	69
3. Arizona Diamondbacks	78	74
4. San Francisco Giants	72	80
5. San Diego Padres	60	92



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Manistique's Lenna Smith meets the Mountaineers' Emma Thomann (15) at the net during Monday night's home match against Iron Mountain.

## Emeralds drop match against Iron Mountain

MANISTIQUE – It was a struggle for both the junior varsity and varsity volleyball teams Monday at home against Iron Mountain. Starting the evening, the junior

varsity squad lost their match in two sets against the Mountaineers.

In the second match of the night, the varsity squad had a great first set, but struggled in the following

three. The Mountaineers took the win 3-1 (13-25, 25-19, 25-9 and 25-10).

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## WELCOME TO THE HALL OF FAME

Courtesy photo

Manistique resident Jim Creighton was recently notified of his 2019 induction into the Michigan Traps shooting Association Hall of Fame. Creighton will be honored at the association's home grounds in Mason, Mich. July 6, 2019. He is only the second person from the Upper Peninsula to receive the honor. From left are: Darryl Hayes, amateur Traps shooting Association vice president; Creighton; and Michigan Traps shooting Association President JB Lewis.

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## Cross country

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From left to right are Emerald cross country runners Jude Way, Mitchell Green, and Darren Hicks competing in last week's meet at Intake Park.

...one, in second with a time of 19:58 and Noah Seclik from Rapid River took third with a time of 20:31.

Also running for Manistique were Jude Way, Mitchell Green, and Darren Hicks.

Maddy Perinaki from Munising covered the same distance in a time of 21:36 to take first place for the girls.

Daisy Englund and Landry Koski from Mid-Peninsula took second and third, respectively, with time of 22:03 and 22:09.

Hannah Mackey was the only Emerald competing for the girls.

Boys' team results: Rapid River 25; Manistique 61; Mid-Peninsula 67; Munising NS.

Girls team results: Mid-Peninsula 28; Munising 41; Superior Central 68; Rapid River 95; Manistique NS.

For the middle school boys' race, Paavo Mannisto of Superior Central took first with a time of 10:35.

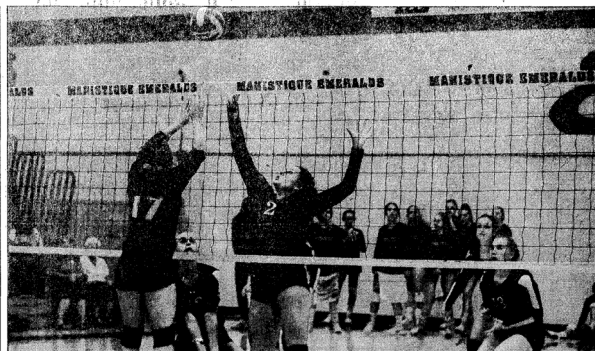
Grant Mason covered the 1.6 mile loop in a time of 10:59 to take second, and Austin Hinkson, hot on

his heels, took third with a time of 11:01.

In the girls' middle school division, St. Francis de Sales athlete Maya Carlson took first place with a time of 12:24.

Second place went to Hattie Cota of Munising with a time of 12:33 and third was achieved by Clara Gilroy from Manistique with a time of 12:36.

Runners are scheduled to compete in the St. Ignace Invitational tonight and Stephenson Saturday.

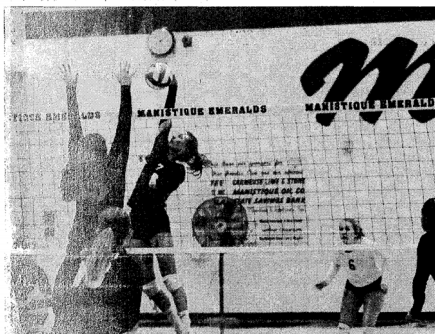


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On Monday, the junior varsity Emeralds hosted the Mountaineers from Iron Mountain. The visiting squad took both sets from the Emeralds to take the match. Pictured above in action is Jenaya Rivard (2). Below is Brynn Santl (13).

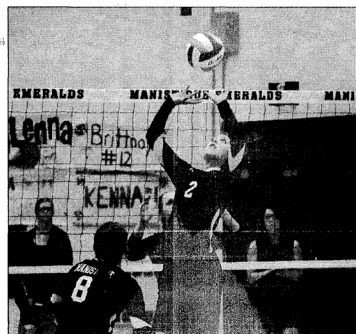


## Volleyball

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at the net Monday night for the Emeralds from left to right, are Kayla Muth and Joslyn Muth.



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... Saturday, the Emeralds took second place at the Charlevoix Invitational.

In pool play, the tied 1-1 against Charlevoix, won 2-0 against Inland Empire, Pellston, and Brimley.

Advancing to the semifinals, they beat Roscommon 2-1 and lost 0-2 against Rudyard in the final.

"The girls played as a team and with a purpose," stated Head Coach Amy Nixon. "They stayed focused throughout a long day and played well."

For the Emeralds, Abby Burnham finished the day with five aces, 11 digs, 1 assist, 19 kills, and three blocks.

Whitney Belville had a serve receive, 11 digs, 1 assist, 19 kills, and three blocks.

Emilie McDaniel recorded six aces, seven digs, 53 kills, and seven

blocks.

Erin LaBar had six digs, five assists, four kills, and a block.

Jeanni Chartier had seven aces, 14 digs, one assist, and 22 kills.

Joslyn Muth ended the day with 11 aces, 15 digs, 59 assists, 10 kills, and a block.

Kayla Muth had a dig, 16 kills, and 10 blocks.

Madison Zellar had 10 aces, 48 digs, one assist, and kill.

McKenna Chartier had 22 digs and an assist.

Sydny Peterson finished with an ace, 71 digs, and two assists.

At home Sept. 13, the Emeralds lost a match against Escanaba 2-3 (25-22, 12-25, 14-25, 25-14, 12-15).

"Escanaba was a tough match," said Nixon. "I'm happy that my team was able to bounce back after

losing sets two and three. In set four and five, the energy in the gym was electric. Our fans supported us with so much spirit and enthusiasm. It was nice to see some of the student body show their support for our team."

Stats for the Emeralds included five aces, 20 serve receives, 27 digs and eight kills from Abby Burnham.

Emilie McDaniel had an ace, four digs, 13 kills, and a block.

Erin LaBar had an assist and two kills.

Jeanni Chartier posted an ace and serve receive, seven digs, five kills, and a block.

Joslyn Mugh recorded a serve receive, 10 digs, 27 assists, and a block.

Kayla Muth had two digs, four kills, and blocks.

## Forest Park sweeps Bears

COOKS - The Bears hosted Forest Park Sept. 13 for their final five-game home stretch.

According to Head Coach Angie Paulson, their visitors gave them a workout, taking all three sets for the win (18-25, 6-25, 12-25).

"Tonight was definitely a workout for my girls," said Paulson. "Forest Park has some height and they can definitely hit the ball. My girls put up a fight in the first set. We had the lead for a while, but just couldn't hang on to it. For what we were up against, I am really proud of how hard they

worked. Forest Park is a much larger district than ours and they definitely have the experience and, of course, height on their side," she continued. "They are a great team and we did our best tonight."

For the Bears, Rylie Lawrence finished with five aces, one kill, 14 digs, and four assists.

Holli Stapleton had an ace and kill, 10 digs, and one assist.

Meagan Yonker had two aces and kills, 21 digs, and four assists.

Kaitlyn Massengil had three aces, a kill, and assist.

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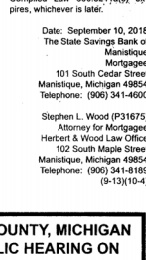
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**WORD SEARCH**

**FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS:** SEPT. 23, Bruce Springsteen, Singer (89); SEPT. 24, Stephanie McMahon, Wrestler (42); SEPT. 25, Hank Henny, Actor (87); SEPT. 26, Jim Carrey, Actor (50); SEPT. 27, Heidi Vandenberg, Model (39); SEPT. 28, Hillary Clinton, Politician (71); SEPT. 29, Hank Stram, Coach (81).

**SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET**

The Schoolcraft County Road Commission Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2019 fiscal budget on Wednesday, September 26th at 8:00 am at the Road Commission office located at 332N East, Manistique, MI.

The budget will cover the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019.

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**SEASONAL EMPLOYEES**  
**Schoolcraft County Road Commission**

The Schoolcraft County Road Commission is accepting applications until 3 p.m. Friday October 5th, 2018 for the following position:

- Truck Driver/Equipment Operator, Seasonal

This seasonal employment will be starting on October 29th, 2018. Compensation will be based on an hourly rate approved by the Schoolcraft County Road Commission with no additional benefits aside from the required Michigan workers compensation insurance.

A Michigan Commercial Drivers license (type "A" CDL) is required for this position.

Applications and job descriptions are available from the Schoolcraft County Road Commission office, 332N East Road, Manistique, MI 49854 or on our website, (906) 341-9634

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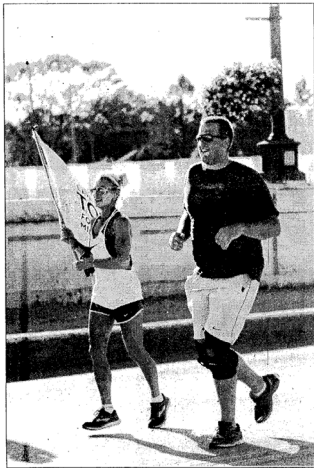
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Pioneer Tribune photos

Despite a smaller than average turnout, the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics made its way through Manistique last week. With sirens and lights from police escorts, coupled with music blaring from the speakers of the support vehicle, a group of area residents made the trek from the Highway M-94 and Fifth Street intersection to the Manistique Marina. The U.P. Travel Team is made up of Michigan State Police officers and Michigan Department of Correction employees who head out after Labor Day each year coordinating fundraising runs. Keep up to date with the travel team organizers on their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/U.P.TravelTeam](http://www.facebook.com/U.P.TravelTeam).

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