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MARQUETTE, MI
JANUARY 2022 – MARCH 2022
APRIL 1, 2022
(ALL TIMES: EASTERN)

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Program Information</u>	<u>Brief Description</u>
Public Health Needs		
	What's Happening PSA 6:15 AM – 6:18 AM 11:35 AM – 11:38 AM 7:45 PM – 7:48 PM R.O.S. Basis	
	2/24-3/20	The Beating the Winter Blues Health Fair will take place on Sunday, March 20 at Westwood High School in Ishpeming.
	1/11-31	The U.P. Regional Blood Center is still experiencing a critical need for all blood types.
	Focus on the Family REC Host: Jim Daly 2:00 PM – 2:30 PM 10:00 PM – 10:30 PM	
	3/24	Counselor Debra Fileta answers some general questions on mental and emotional health, covering topics like toxic people, codependency, anxiety and depression, and getting professional help.
	1/3	Author Wendy Speake explains how she developed a closer relationship with God after overcoming her sugar addiction.

News
Local
Hourly R.O.S. Basis

3/28-29		The “Reproductive Freedom for All” petition has begun circulating in Michigan. A coalition of the American Civil Liberties Union, Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan and “Michigan Voices” want a constitutional amendment to allow unrestricted abortion.
3/25-27		The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services encourages Michigan residents to make healthy choices about food during National Nutrition Month.
3/21-22, 26-27		As the nation continues to wait for the U.S. Supreme Court decision in the Dobbs vs. Jackson case from Mississippi, Right to Life of Michigan comments on the future of abortion law if Roe vs. Wade is overturned.
3/25		The Mackinac Bridge Authority has announced that the bridge, previously closed due to dangerous falling ice conditions, is again open to traffic.
3/25		The Mackinac Bridge is closed to all traffic due to hazardous falling ice conditions.
3/15-16		Great Lakes Recovery Center and the Youth Mental Health Project of Darien, Connecticut announce that they have entered into a strategic partnership to bring the “Parent Support Network” to parents and caregivers in the Upper Peninsula who are helping children, teens and young adults struggling with their mental health.
3/13-14		The Marquette County Sheriff’s Office responded to a single snowmobile crash in Marquette Township. A 19-Year-Old operator exited snowmobile trail #14 and operated in a prohibited area. The snowmobile was operated at a high rate of speed and the driver failed to stop and went over a steep embankment.
2/28-3/1, 3/5-6		Representative Steve Cara has submitted a letter to the Speaker of the House requesting an investigation into Governor Whitmer’s actions, placing COVID-19 patients in nursing homes with well patients.
2/25-27		State Representative Greg Markkanen voted to finalize a plan to help reduce the cost of prescription medicine for residents, families, and seniors across the Upper Peninsula. Markkanen says the average price of medication to treat diabetes, depression and other common condition has more than doubled the past six years.
2/21-22, 26-27		Senator Ed McBroom has spoken out against the twisting of the 14 th amendment to allow women to get abortions.

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2/23-24		The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development State Director for Michigan, Brandon Fewins, has announced infrastructure investments in 12 Upper Peninsula Communities. Fewins says these projects represent significant infrastructure investments in public safety and medical care for U.P. Communities.	
2/22-23		The Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association is urging support for the House and Senate bills that would allow for the placement of automated speed cameras in construction zones to protect Michigan workers.	
2/18-20		The Governor says that Michigan had a record-breaking health care government enrollment this year. Laura Hall says that 2022 had the highest number enrolled since 2017.	
2/14-15, 18-19		The Michigan Family Forum has weighed in on the drive to amend the state's constitution to legalize abortion by the "Reproductive Freedom for All" group.	
2/14-15		State Representative Steve Cara has submitted a letter to the Michigan Speaker of the House requesting the formation of an investigative committee to look into Governor Whitmer's executive order placing those sick with Covid-19 in nursing homes with well patients. He calls for an impeachment.	
2/7-8, 12-13		The "Reproductive Freedom for All" group has cleared the second hurdle for its petition with the state board of canvassers. A 100-word summary has been approved for circulation with the proposed constitutional amendment to grant the legal right to abortion.	
2/7-8		Dickinson County Healthcare has officially joined the Marshfield Clinic Health System.	
2/7-8		Governor Whitmer has announced the award of nearly \$5 million in grants. The "MI Clean Water Plan" grant money is issued through the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy. The grants support work to address water infrastructure issues.	
2/4-6		State data at the end of last month showed that local cases of Covid-19 remain on the rise. At the end of January, the Upper Peninsula has had a total of 47,398 confirmed cases and 733 deaths, with 71 people currently hospitalized, including 19 adults in intensive care and 4 on ventilators.	
1/31-2/1, 2/5-6		A pro-abortion coalition is working to place a reproductive rights ballot proposal on the 2022 general election ballot, with the goal of securing a constitutional right to abortion in Michigan.	
1/28-30		The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services has issued an epidemic order to further protect nursing home residents across	

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		the state by ensuring residents have the opportunity to get up to date on Covid-19 vaccines at the nursing home where they reside.
1/28-30		Governor Whitmer announced the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services is distributing 10 million free KN95 masks.
1/24-25, 29-30		Pro-abortion members of the Michigan Legislature have introduced the Michigan Reproductive Health Care Act.
1/27-28		Governor Whitmer recently urged Michigan residents to take advantage of the federal government's free Covid-19 testing program.
1/27-28		A coalition of abortion supporters has filed a ballot proposal to affirm that every Michigan resident will have reproductive rights.
1/25-26		More than two and a half million Americans stutter at some point in their lives and a Wayne State University professor is one of the researchers who has recently identified new genes associated with stuttering.
1/24-25		Governor Whitmer and the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services are encouraging Michiganders with health insurance to take advantage of a new federal rule that requires health insurers to cover the cost of eight over-the-counter Covid at-home tests per month. For those without insurance, testing can be done for free at some community health centers.
1/21-23		Special Olympics Michigan will host more than 30 polar plunges in person and a virtual plunge, with the goal of raising more than \$1 million. The plunge is dedicated to increasing awareness and funds for Special Olympics Michigan athletes.
1/19-20		Governor Whitmer announced the launch of a \$5 million grant program to assist local governments in addressing critical needs in recruiting and training first responders.
1/18-19		January is radon action month in Michigan. The Department of Environment Great Lakes and Energy aims to increase awareness of health risks associated with elevated indoor radon levels, promote home testing, and encourage citizens to take action to reduce exposure once elevated levels are found.
1/17-18		A new Michigan Department of Health and Human Services vaccination site is open at the Westwood Mall in Marquette.
1/14-16		Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel is reminding Michiganders to do their research before buying pandemic products, issuing new warnings related to fake at-home Covid-19 test kits being sold online.

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	1/13-14	The Kingsford city council has approved an “intent to apply” application with the state drinking water revolving loan fund to help pay for a proposed water line replacement project in the heights section.	
	1/12-13	Michiganders should log on to the Health Insurance Marketplace before the January 15 open enrollment deadline to get low or no-cost health insurance for themselves and their families.	
	1/10-11	Triple-A of Michigan reports that Michigan roadways saw an increase in fatalities for the third straight year in 2020.	
	1/10-11	A new grant will increase capacity for infectious disease sequencing and research in Michigan to improve the state’s ability to respond to health crises.	
Needs of the Family	Church Bulletin Board PSA 9:45 AM – 9:48 AM 2:35 PM – 2:38 PM 6:35 PM – 6:38 PM R.O.S. Basis		
	3/7-31	Two-day WinSome Women Christian Retreats will be held in May at the Great-Lakes Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor, Michigan.	
	3/16-31	The Hope at the Inn brat sale is May 20 at Elmer’s Country Market in Escanaba. All money raised will go toward Delta County’s faith-based homeless shelter.	
	3/14-31	Churches can register to host a movie screening of <i>Sabina: Tortured for Christ</i> throughout the month of March.	
	3/9-19	Veteran Missionaries Wendell and Patty McClung will present their vision and charge for missions at the services at Kingsford Maranatha Assembly of God on March 20.	
	2/26-3/2	St. Michael Catholic Church invites the community to a series of evening prayer services for Lent, each Sunday from March 6 through April 3 at 6 PM.	
	2/22-3/2	St. Michael Catholic Church will hold Ash Wednesday services on March 2.	
	1/10-22	The community is invited to a mini “March for Life” at St. Michael Catholic Church in Marquette on Sunday, January 23 at 12:15 PM.	

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| 1/4-3/31 | Marquette County Habitat for Humanity is seeking new applicants for their New Construction Program for 2022. |
| 3/24-31 | The Downtown Marquette Farmers Market is looking for full-time, part-time, and drop-in vendors to be part of the 2022 market season. |
| 3/17-31 | UPCAP's Virtual Caregiver Support Group is currently accepting new members. The group meets virtually from 2:00 – 3:00 PM EST on the second Tuesday of each month. |
| 3/11-31 | Personal use firewood cutting permits are available from Hiawatha National Forest for \$20. |
| 3/9-31 | American Pickers will be in Michigan and is looking for large, rare collections and things they've never seen before. |
| 3/7-26 | The 8 th annual community Seed Swap will be held in the lower level of the Peter White Public Library on Saturday, March 26 th at 1:30 PM. |
| 3/8-26 | A free true potato seed workshop will be held on Saturday, March 26 th at 10:30 AM in the Peter White Public Library. |
| 2/2-3/9 | Powerful Tools for Caregivers will hold a Zoom workshop from Wednesday, March 16 – April 20, 2022 from 2:00 – 3:30 PM EST. |
| 2/21-23 | The Marquette Downtown Development Authority will be holding a public meeting regarding their plans for a Third St. Tax Incremental Financing expansion on Wednesday, February 23 at 6 PM. |

Focus on the Family

REC

Host: Jim Daly

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM

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| 3/31 | Alexandra Kuykendall explores ways we can cling to and offer God's goodness and love while interacting with others. She shares ways to find truth and moral courage in the tough moments and encourages you to lead with grace. |
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3/29-30	Lisa-Jo Baker depicts how to be comfortable in the “middle years” of your life. She also embraces the everyday “ordinary” in her marriage.
3/28	An adult son shares a touching tribute to a godly dad.
3/25	American Idol contestant and recording artist Phil Stacey reflects on his life. He encourages others to be true to God, to love with abandon, and to find freedom in Christ.
3/22-23	Hettie Brittz outlines the four main personality types of children and how parents can better nurture, communicate with, and discipline them.
3/15-16	Susan Birdseye shares her dramatic story of learning about her husband’s affair after 17 years of an apparently happy marriage. Susan also shares some of the challenges she is facing now as a single parent.
3/14	Greg Koukl helps listeners discover, develop, and nurture a Christian worldview by examining the story of the Bible.
3/11	Author Kay Wyma offers advice to parents on training their children for adulthood by teaching them the value of hard work and taking responsibility for their lives.
3/9-10	Levi and Jennie Lusko share the tragic story of the unexpected death of their 5-year-old daughter and how God worked through their family in the aftermath.
3/8	Dr. Josh and Christi Straub describe how to help your young child identify their emotions and navigate fear in a healthy way.
3/7	Dr. Bob Paul and his wife Jenni explain how seemingly innocent disagreements can spiral into a major argument because of unidentified personal hot buttons that trigger primal reactions that are out of proportion to the issue at hand.
3/4	Pastor Phil Waldrep shares heart-warming stories of his godly grandmother and the important principle that she helped him find in Romans 16: People love people who love people.
3/3	Rhonda Stoppe challenges to remember the spouse you dreamed of being on your wedding day and fully embrace the unique love story God has written in your life.
2/24-25	Best-selling author Emerson Eggerichs talks to moms about a boy’s need for respect, and explains how they can give that respect to their sons.

2/22-23	As a young Christian, Dave Carder saw two pastors commit adultery, losing both their families and their ministries. He was determined to find out why people commit adultery and to help couples recognize “close call friendships” that could blossom into affairs.
2/17-18	Rod Dreher describes how you can teach your children to honor God, find fellowship and solidarity with other believers, and even discover value in suffering for the Gospel.
2/15-16	Jessie Minassian believes our messy, imperfect families are part of God’s plan to transform us to be more like Jesus Christ. She provides an abundance of great advice to parents and teens about navigating issues.
2/14	Bob Lepine points out why God’s love is pivotal in helping you move toward unconditional love with your spouse.
2/10-11	Gary Thomas and Debra Fileta help couples understand and experience mutually fulfilling sexual intimacy in marriage.
2/8-9	Pastor Andy Stanley encourages Christians to base their faith on the historically proven life and death of Jesus Christ, rather than their perception of God’s involvement in their personal circumstances.
2/7	Ruth Chou Simmons offers practical help for teaching kids God’s Word.
2/3-4	Dr. Chapman helps parents understand their child’s primary and secondary love languages to strengthen the parent-child bond.
1/31-2/1	Lynsi Snyder, the owner and president of In-N-Out Burger company, felt trapped in a pit of despair. God met her there and lavished her with love and acceptance, restoring her sense of identity in Jesus Christ.
1/27-28	Dutch watchmaker Corrie ten Boom explains how she got involved in hiding Jews from the Nazis, how she survived years in a concentration camp, and how the Lord helped her forgive her captors.
1/26	Becky Kopitzke encourages you to find small, simple ways to bless those around you.
1/25	Dr. John Townsend offers practical ideas on how to create incredibly meaningful relationships in every area of your life.
1/24	Dr. Randy Schroeder has counseled thousands of married couples and has discovered simple tools that help couples avoid divorce and build a thriving marriage.

1/20-21	Cynthia Wenz shares her incredible testimony of discovering God’s love and forgiveness. Cynthia became pro-life and experienced many years of turmoil and grief before undergoing post-abortion recovery.
1/19	Dr. Gary Chapman and Candy McVicar describe the grief process and offer practical help and comfort to couples who have experienced infant loss.
1/17	Carey Casey shares an inspiring message about racial unity and Christian love.
1/14-15	Kathi Lipp and Cheri Gregory share ideas on how you can find the space and the place to spend time nurturing your relationship with God.
1/12-13	Dr. David Clarke shares that if you are struggling in your marriage that you are not alone and there is hope.
1/11	Pastor Ted Cunningham shares the importance of seeing all human beings as image-bearers of God. He recommends writing “honor” lists and giving them to family and friends.
1/10	Natasha Crain gives you tips and tools to take a deep-dive into faith conversations to have with your kids.
1/7	Author and speaker Alexandra Kuykendall encourages married listeners to embrace life with their spouse by finding joy and contentment in everyday moments.
1/6	Julie Lavender shares some fun ways to build lasting memories from small moments.
1/4-5	Radio host Dave Ramsey explains how couples can avoid conflict by negotiating a budget, and how they can teach their children wise financial principles.

News
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3/30-31 The U.P. Food Exchange in partnership with “Upper Peninsula Food as Medicine” Team and UPCAP announced a grant opportunity for area farms to build cold storage facilities for storing fresh produce.

3/29-30 The Michigan Public Service Commission approved a settlement agreement that permits Northern States Power Company of Wisconsin to raise its electricity rates by \$1.7 million in its service territory in two Western Upper Peninsula counties.

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3/23-24		State Representatives Greg Markkanen and Beau LaFave have expressed their disappointment in the governor's veto of a key tax relief plan.	
3/22-23		The governor has proclaimed this March as Women's History Month to honor women's contributions in Michigan's history.	
3/21-22		Citizens for Traditional Values "Secure MI Vote Petition" in the works in Michigan. It asks that everyone have an I.D. to vote but also ensures that every citizen will have access to I.D. and secures provisional voting.	
3/18-20		Auto insurance checks will be hitting mailboxes soon. The Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association will complete the transfer of \$3 billion in surplus funds to Michigan's auto insurers.	
3/17-18		Governor Whitmer launched a program for Michigan homeowners experiencing hardship. The Michigan Homeowner Assistance Fund is expected to help over 8,300 homeowners keep their homes.	
3/14-15		State Representative Greg Markkanen has co-sponsored an advancing plan that will suspend the state's gas tax of roughly 27.2 cents per gallon for 6 months, starting April 1 st .	
3/11-13		Two individuals previously charged with sex trafficking pleaded guilty to felony human trafficking. Robert Grigsby, 52, of Wayland and Vanessa Phillips, 40, of Grand Rapids plead guilty to one count each of human trafficking and forced labor resulting in commercial sexual activity.	
3/11-13		Governor Whitmer and the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Service announced that the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association will complete the transfer of \$3 billion in surplus funds to Michigan's auto insurers this week.	
3/10-11		The St. Ignace News reports that the St. Ignace City Council approved amendments to the city's zoning code recently that aims to create more housing in the city limits.	
3/8-9		State Representatives Beau LaFave and Greg Markkanen both voted recently in favor of a plan to lower taxes for all Michigan's families and seniors.	
3/7-8		The Michiganders for Fair Lending ballot campaign has launched its petition drive to place a question on the ballot that would stop payday lenders from charging predatory interest rates.	
3/4-6		Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced a new pilot program by the Michigan Department of Transportation to streamline and bundle bridge projects together to make them more cost-effective and save taxpayer money.	

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3/3-4		The MI-Tri-share program has received an expansion to seven new facilitator hubs across Michigan. The partnership works to increase access to high-quality affordable child care for working families. The program now covers 52 counties and covers the U.P. with the Marquette-Alger Regional Educational Service Agency.	
3/1-2		Recently the National Federation of Independent Businesses praised the Michigan Senate for passing a new bill which would cut the personal income tax and corporate tax to 3.9%.	
2/28-3/1		Michigan residents who need help with their energy bills can now apply for the home heating credit. Low-income, deaf, disabled or blind persons, disabled veterans and senior citizens may qualify.	
2/21-22		The Michigan State Police announces that the eighth district has a Twitter page with the handle @mspeighthdist that is updated daily with traffic safety tips, current events and other topics. MSP also has a mobile app for both Apple and Android devices.	
2/18-20		Governor Whitmer recently announced the MI Tri-Share child care pilot program expansion to seven new facilitator hubs in pilot regions. That increases access to high-quality and affordable child care. Marquette-Alger RESA, serving all of the Upper Peninsula, has been named as one of the new hubs.	
2/18-20		Michigan Attorney General Nessel and Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency Director Adams have partnered for an informational video aimed at protecting military members during tax season.	
2/16-17		Triple A says as vehicles become increasingly automated, drivers may be tempted to become less engaged on the road.	
2/15-16		The Michigan Department of Transportation awarded a contract to build the first in the United States Public Wireless in-road Charging System, allowing electric vehicles to charge while in motion and stationary.	
2/10-11		The Michigan Department of Treasury reports that it has millions of dollars in lost or forgotten assets that include dormant bank accounts, uncashed checks, valuables left in safe deposit boxes and stock certificates. These properties were all turned over to the state once they were determined to be abandoned as required by law.	
2/2-3		The Marquette Board of Light and Power announced the launch of their “Smarthub” online customer portal. The Smarthub is a new innovative tool for managing the Marquette BLP account.	
1/31-2/1		Triple A of Michigan applauds House lawmakers for passing 3 bills that would modernize Michigan’s distracted driving laws.	

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1/26-27		Michigan's Individual Income Tax filing season has officially begun according to the Michigan Department of Treasury. Michiganders can start filing their 2021 individual income tax returns online or by mailing paper forms and supporting paperwork through the U.S. Postal Service.
1/25-26		The Michigan State Police Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force announced the arrest of 37 year old Thomas Raymus of Marquette for child sexually abusive material and using a computer to commit a crime.
1/21-23		Governor Whitmer has signed legislation to cut taxes for veterans and lower costs for Michigan's small business owners. The bill would improve the lives of Michiganders by expanding income tax deductions to disabled veterans.
1/20-21		Taxpayers are encouraged to check to make sure they have up-to-date addresses on file in preparation for the 2022 income tax filing season.
1/17-18		Reliability matters were at the top of the Michigan Public Service Commission's Priority List in 2021 as severe storms knocked out power to millions of Michiganders.
1/17-18		Governor Whitmer and Attorney General Nessel are highlighting resources available and the important work being done to combat human trafficking.
1/13-14		With Michigan receiving more federal funding for home heating assistance, utility companies also are chipping in to help people stay warm this winter, as gas prices soar.
1/6-7		The National Fire Protection Association is encouraging everyone to remove live Christmas trees promptly after the holiday season to prevent home fires involving Christmas trees.
1/4-5		Governor Whitmer says this bill will provide \$144 million for military construction projects, increase military pay and ensure access to resources for nearly 600,000 veteran's and their families.

Education

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3/28-31

The film, "A Vanishing Breed", about the men and memories of those who worked at the Mather B Mine in Negaunee will be shown at the Michigan Iron Industry Museum in Negaunee on Saturday, April 16 from 1 pm to 2:30 pm.

2/7-3/9

Michigan State University Extension will host the annual Agriculture for Tomorrow Conference on March 9 at the Heirman University Center at Bay College in Escanaba from 9:15 am until 4:05 pm.

1/20-26

Northern Michigan University's Presidential Search Advisory Committee is looking for input in the search for the next President of NMU. They will be having a virtual Zoom meeting on Wednesday, January 26 from 5 to 6 pm.

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Senator James Lankford address key concerns of many parents as well as a new school choice resolution, and examines the meaning of critical race theory and its origins, other harmful ideologies, and controversial mask mandates in schools.

News

Local

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3/29-30

The St. Ignace News reports that Mackinac County Sheriff Ed Wilk has announced a scholarship opportunity for local high school seniors through the Michigan Sheriff's Association Criminal Justice Scholarship Program.

3/14-15, 19-20

Parents in the Troy, Waterford, and Huron Valley School Districts have filed a lawsuit in circuit court against the Districts and the Oakland County Health Department in response to a mask mandate issued by Oakland County.

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3/16-17		Like many states across the country that have seen dips in their high school graduation rates, Michigan's statewide graduation rates declined in 2021, to 80.47% which is a 1.6 percentage point decrease from the previous year.	
3/7-8, 12-13		Attorney David Kallman and the Great Lakes Justice Center have filed a complaint in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan on behalf of David Stout. The high school junior was suspended for three days last fall for stating his Christian beliefs in a private text conversation and in a school hallway.	
2/24-25		The FAFSA deadline for State of Michigan Financial Aid Programs is March 1 st . Students who want to be given priority consideration for state of Michigan financial aid programs would submit their "Free application for federal student aid," which is commonly known as the FAFSA, as soon as possible.	
2/11-13		The St. Ignace News reports that Lake Superior State University is offering a new bachelor of science in Mechatronics program beginning in the fall of 2022.	
2/8-9		Superior Central School's Agriculture and Forestry Class has been awarded a \$2,000 grant to support a project that will bring more local food into the lunch room. Students designed a project that will provide school grown food for the school lunch program.	
2/7		The internet threat received at the Gwinn Schools today has been resolved and Gwinn schools will be open on Tuesday, February 8 th .	
1/14-16		The St. Ignace News reports that this year 47 students in Kindergarten through 8 th grade and 38 projects from local schools advanced to the Eastern Upper Peninsula Regional Science and Engineering Fair.	
1/13-14		A new bill will change the calculation of the Survivor Tuition Grant in Michigan, a program that provides college tuition assistance to kids of those who were killed in the line of duty.	
1/11-12		Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel issued a new video that highlights the seriousness of making threats against schools.	
1/6-7		A new law helps to address the substitute teacher shortage, helping to keep schools open and allowing students to learn in person.	

Corrections/
Courts

News
Local
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- 3/18-20 The former Flint Township clerk, Kathy Funk faces felony charges related to the August 2020 primary. Funk is being charged with election law ballot tampering and misconduct in office.
- 2/25-27 23 year old Mustafa Deville Reynolds of Grand Rapids was found guilty of distributing heroin and Fentanyl that caused the death of two men in Grand Rapids.
- 2/11-13 A Macomb County man who attempted to pay the Michigan Department of Treasury with fraudulent checks now faces felony charges. 54 year old Damon Montgomery faces 3 counts of no-account check, felonies punishable by 2 years in prison or \$500.
- 2/11-13 A former west Michigan doctor has been charged with health care fraud and false statements. 70 year old Dr. Daniel Castro, has been indicted with defrauding health care insurers and creating false medical records.
- 2/9-10 46 year old Alison Marshall of Sturgis has been charged by a federal grand jury with tampering with a consumer product. While working as a registered nurse, Marshall tampered with bottles of Fentanyl.
- 2/4-6 32 year old Paul Larson of Kalamazoo and 43 year old Gregory Gleesing of Portage plead guilty to mail fraud in district court in Lansing. 25 year old Lovedeep Singh Dhanoa, also of Portage, previously plead guilty to mail fraud related to the same fraudulent scheme.
- 2/1-2 64 year old Anthony Semaan of Grosse Pointe Park plead guilty as charged to embezzlement \$50,000 to \$100,000 dollars and has been sentenced to 2 years probation, substance abuse assessment, psychological assessment, cognitive behavioral therapy and \$2,848 dollars in costs and fees.
- 1/26 Troopers from the Calumet State Police Post were dispatched to investigate a reported shooting. Preliminary investigation led to the arrest of an 18 year old man, suspected of open homicide.
- 1/24-25 A Menominee Township man has been sentenced to at least three years in prison. 25 year old Ryan Philipps was found guilty of reckless driving causing serious impairment and assault with intent to do great bodily harm.

1/19-20		32 year old Jonathan Brisson of Vanderbilt is now facing 20 years in prison after making death threats against the judge in response to a protection order being issued against him.
1/10-11, 15-16		The U.S. Supreme Court has heard arguments in the Dobbs Vs. Jackson Abortion Case, and now the wait is on for the ruling.
1/2-4, 8-9		As Americans wait for a decision from the Supreme Court, Right to Life of Michigan is praying by name for the justices every Friday.

Substance Abuse

Church Bulletin Board PSA 9:45 AM – 9:48 AM 2:35 PM – 2:38 PM 6:35 PM – 6:38 PM R.O.S. Basis	
2/2-3/31	Alcoholics Anonymous Redemption Group will have meetings at Little Lake Chapel in Little Lake every Friday at 7 PM.
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3/17-18	Pastor Dimas Salaberrios shares his remarkable testimony of coming to faith in Jesus Christ after he spiraled out of control as a young drug dealer whose life was consumed by addiction, violence, and crime.
2/28-2/1	Allison Bottke shares a dramatic story of raising an adult son who has struggled with drug addiction, multiple arrests, and imprisonment.
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2/24-25	Joseph and Lisa Burgess of Dewitt were sentenced for their roles in a conspiracy to distributed crystal Methamphetamine.
2/23-24	UPSET Detectives report that on February 18 they arrested two people from Baraga County involved in selling illegal drugs.

2/10-11		On February 7, detectives from UPSET conducted an investigation and identified a dealer that was selling large quantities of Crystal Meth. The suspect, a 30 year old Marquette County man, was arrested in Escanaba when he was found to be in possession of 4.5 ounces of crystal meth and a small amount of heroin.	
2/7-8		Detectives from UPSET dismantled a meth lab and arrested two suspects in Marquette County last week.	
2/5-6		On February 3 rd , detectives from UPSET arrested Scott Pacetti, a 48 year old male from Mohawk, Michigan, on a 14 count arrest warrant for selling illegal drugs in Keweenaw County.	
2/2-3		A Detroit man who was known as “Chopper” has been sentenced to 30 years in prison. Kenneth Pointer of Detroit was found guilty of possessing and distributing a large quantity of drugs.	
1/21-22		Detectives from the Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team arrested two suspects on Thursday, January 20 th for charges related to the delivery of Crystal Meth.	
1/6-7		Detectives from UPSET executed a search warrant at a residence on Spruce Street in L’Anse on January 4. A 28 year old male from L’Anse was arrested for Possession with intent to distribute meth which is a 20 year felony.	

Tourism/
Recreation

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3/24-31		The Rocke Brothers will be having a concert at the First Covenant Church in Iron Mountain on April 10 at 6 pm.	
2/24-3/26		Limestone Baptist Church will be having a Sportsman’s Banquet on Saturday, March 26. Doors open at 5 pm.	
2/2-26		Family Baptist Church in Kingsford will have their 24 th Annual Sportsman’s Seminar on Saturday, February 26 at Iron Mountain’s Central Middle School at 3 pm.	

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1/20-2/17

Area Agency on Aging 1-B will be offering the webinar entitled, "Planning Ahead: Care Options for Seniors" on February 17 from 10 to 11:30 am. For more information call 248-763-1704.

1/24-2/12

An evening lantern walk will take place on Saturday, February 12 at the William B. Derby Nature Preserve in Cedarville from 6:30 to 9 pm.

1/24-29

A lantern lit hike will take place on Saturday, January 29 at Round Island Point Nature Preserve in Brimley at 6:30 pm.

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Hourly R.O.S. Basis

3/31

The St. Ignace News reports that Shepler's Mackinac Island Ferry has been sold to the Hoffmann Family of companies of Naples, Florida.

3/30-31

The Carnegie Hero Fund Commission announced its latest Carnegie Medal goes to 21 year old Marena Kouba of St. Cloud, Minnesota, who saved a man and 2 children from Lake Superior near Marquette in July of 2020.

3/25-27

New bills signed into law will decriminalize certain minor hunting, fur harvester, and fishing violations.

3/16-17

The Michigan House recently passed Representative Beau LaFave's plan to allow gun owners to transport a firearm, whether loaded or unloaded – while on private property.

2/26-27

Michigan Skier Kyle Kelly and Snowboarder Brad Dykstra plan to attempt to break the Guinness world record this weekend for the most areas skied in 24 hours.

2/3-4

Pine Mountain Road in Iron Mountain will be closed to through traffic from 9 am to 3:30 PM Saturday, February 5th and Sunday, February 6th for the annual Pine Mountain Ski Jumping Tournament.

2/3-4

The Michigan House approved legislation from Representative Beau LaFave to require DNR Conservation Officers to wear a body-worn camera while on duty. This legislation, if signed, will save taxpayers

money by disproving frivolous lawsuits earlier, and will reduce negative interactions between law enforcement and citizens.

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| 2/1-2 | | Mackinac Bridge Traffic was up in December. Traffic on the bridge in December 2021 was up 17.4% compared to the same month last year. |
| 1/7-9 | | The St. Ignace News reports that a plan for trail grooming over 101 miles of state managed trails in the St. Ignace, Trout Lake, and Epoufette areas of Mackinac and Chippewa Counties, has been reached by the Michigan DNR and the Straits Area Snowmobile Club. |
| 1/5-6 | | The St. Ignace News reports that the St. Ignace City Council approved a fee schedule. The change will allow the city to begin the process of issuing permits to allow these rentals to operate under the new policy. |

Government Issues

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Hourly R.O.S. Basis

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| 3/28-29 | | Senators Ed McBroom and Jeremy Moss were both awarded the 2022 County Advocate Award from the Michigan Association of Counties for their work on Public Acts 121 and 122 which extended the terms of county commissioners from 2 to 4 years. |
| 3/28-29 | | The Michigan Bureau of Elections notified county and local election officials that it's making available \$8 million dollars in grant funding for jurisdictions to implement additional election security measures for the 2022 election. |
| 3/24-25 | | The U.S. Congress has passed a bill to help the U.S. Postal Service. The bill puts 6 day a week delivery into law and eliminates a budgeting requirement. |
| 3/21-22 | | State Representative Beau LaFave has sponsored legislation that would prohibit candidates and their families from profiting off of campaign accounts. This plan would prohibit candidates and immediate family members from being paid a wage out of campaign accounts, however, this bill would not prohibit reimbursement for actual expenses such as mileage. |
| 3/14-15 | | The State of Michigan Investment Board voted unanimously to divest the State of Michigan Retirement Systems Pension Plans from companies based in Russia and Belarus. |

Issue	Program Information	Brief Description	20
3/11-13		The Marquette County Road Commission will impose and enforce seasonal load and speed restrictions on all roads and streets under its jurisdiction beginning at 7 am on Wednesday, March 16.	
3/9-10		A Bi-partisan coalition wants to amend the Michigan Constitution to make changes to term limits for state lawmakers and subject statewide elected officials to personal financial disclosure. The group “Voters for Transparency and Term Limits” unveiled the ballot proposal to bring financial transparency and more effective term limits to state government.	
3/4-6		With new voting district maps finalized by Michigan’s new independent commission, it’s now on to the litigation phase of redistricting. A third lawsuit brought by lawmakers in Detroit claiming racial gerrymandering in congressional maps has been dismissed by the Michigan Supreme Court.	
3/4-6		In response to the Russian Invasion of Ukraine, Governor Whitmer has sent a letter to State Treasurer Rachael Eubanks calling on the State of Michigan to divest the State of Michigan Retirement Systems Pension Plans from Russian Assets.	
2/21-22		A grant program called “Put Your Town on the Map” aims to support ideas fro revitalization. The top 3 entries will receive grants worth \$25,000, \$25,000 and \$10,000 dollars respectively.	
2/17-18		Norway City Manager Ray Anderson and Norway Department of Power and Light, Electric Supervisor Scott Hegy recently met with Michigan Public Service Commission Members. Topics discussed during the meeting ranged from advancing the EV Market in Michigan, the need for alternative energy such as battery storage, as well as, future plans for renewable energy policy in general.	
2/14-15		Governor Whitmer released her budget recommendations for 2023. The budget recommendations include funding for students and teachers, supporting the workforce, the infrastructure, including railways, rebuilding the state’s roads, bridges and pipes, and improving the health of residents and public safety.	
2/9-10		The Michigan Department of Treasury is no accepting individual state income tax returns. All State of Michigan tax returns and payment of any taxes owed must be filed by April 18 th this year.	
1/28-30		The St. Ignace News reports that the Mackinac County Veterans Affairs Office will receive a truck to help with the transportation of veterans, medical equipment and outreach to visit home bound vets.	
1/17-18, 22-23		Redistricting maps are in progress as a new law has been signed. The measure prohibits the citizens redistricting commission from meeting in private for any reason.	

1/10-11 The 1431st Engineer Company, 107th Engineer Battalion, based in Calumet, was recently determined by an internal analysis to be the top performing engineer unit across the entire National Guard.

1/3-4 Governor Whitmer has signed multiple pieces of legislation recently. A house bill addresses the substitute teacher shortage, helping to keep schools open and students learning in person. Another bill waives the knowledge test required for a commercial driver license for an individual with military motor vehicle experience. A bill that amends the Open Meetings Act to clarify that the act does not permit the independent citizens redistricting commission to meet in a close session for any purpose.

Needs of the Elderly

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Hourly R.O.S. Basis

3/25-27 A new report found older Michiganders and people with disabilities face some of the greatest barriers to housing.

2/15-16 Senators Ed McBroom and Adam Hollier are proposing a generational investment in veterans with the construction of a new veterans home in Detroit and the replacement of the D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans in Marquette.

2/2-3 A bill from Senator Kim Lasata of the 21st District in Michigan will amend the “Older Michigania’s Act” to expand access to long-term care facilities for the long-term car ombudsman.

Employment/
Unemployment

News
Local
Hourly R.O.S. Basis

3/24-25 The U.S. Department of Labor recently granted her request on behalf of the State of Michigan to expand the eligibility for waivers for Michigan workers who received pandemic unemployment assistance.

3/18-20 Legislation benefiting both the state and the logging industry, has been signed into law. Now, the Michigan Department of Treasury is able to enter into reciprocal agreements with other states, to exempt

Issue	Program Information	Brief Description	22
		raw forest products transported into another state within 30 miles of the border from the International Fuel Tax Agreement.	
3/9-10		The Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency announced that claimants can now view or download their 1099-G tax statements through the Michigan web account manager MI-WAM.	
3/7-8		Governor Whitmer has reinstated a prevailing wage for all state construction contracts that go into effect after March 1.	
2/10-11		State Representative Greg Markkanen voted to advance a series of proposals that improve the efficiency and transparency at the state's struggling Unemployment Insurance Agency.	
1/31-2/1		State Representative Greg Markkanen reported on his accomplishment in having veterans coming out of the military be able to have their heavy truck licenses transfer to civilian licenses.	
1/20-21		Northern Strike 22-1 "Winter Strike" is a National Guard Bureau sponsored exercise. Winter Strike is held annually in Northern Michigan during the coldest part of the year. The exercise maintains and improves directed training levels by providing a venue for units to maximize training proficiency and requirements.	
1/14-16		Upper Peninsula Lawmakers applaud the recent renewal of a Metallic Mineral Lease relevant to the proposed back forty mine in Menominee County, which is set to mine gold, zinc, and copper. The mine would employ an estimated 240 mining and business professionals full time.	
1/12-13		State Representative Greg Markkanen says the legislature will continue to review the fraud discovered at the Unemployment Insurance Agency to better protect Michigan taxpayers. A recent report from Deloitte disclosed the UIA paid out an estimated \$8.5 billion dollars in fraudulent claims.	
1/7-9		A new law helps to address the truck driver shortage. It waives the knowledge test required for a Commercial Driver License for an individual with military motor vehicle experience.	
1/5-6		A bill provides a \$409 million dollar commitment using Federal Covid Relief Dollars for afflicted businesses in the form of grants based on property taxes, unemployment insurance taxes, and license and inspection fees.	

Environment

What’s Happening

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3/16-31

The Environmental Club at Marquette Senior High School is working with an organization called Tree-Plenish to purchase and plant 140 sapling trees, at the cost of \$5 a piece. Trees must be ordered by April 13. For more information email satwood@maspnet.org.

1/20-2/8

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy will be offering two public virtual session to take public comment on the MI Healthy Climate Plan on January 26 from 10 am until noon and February 8 from 6 to 8 pm.

News

Local

Hourly R.O.S. Basis

3/10-11

The State of Michigan is set to receive \$110 million dollars for electric vehicle charging stations from the bi-partisan infrastructure law.

3/1-3

The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s new “Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities” Program is a billion dollar investment in projects for farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners to protect the environment.

2/28-3/1

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy announced a request for proposals that totals \$9 million dollars for the replacement or re-powering of freight switchers and the re-powering of ferry boats and tugs. The grants will be awarded through EGLE’s “Fuel Transformation Program” which is funded by Volkswagen settlement money allocated to Michigan.

2/17-18

The U.S. District Court’s Northern District of California, issued an order that vacates the entire rule made by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, that removed gray wolves from the list of endangered species. With the vacated rule issued, it keeps protections for Michigan wolves in place for now.

1/3-4

The Great Lakes hold about one-fifth of the Earth’s fresh water, but a new report indicates they're getting saltier – and says that’s reason for concern.

Economy

News
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Hourly R.O.S. Basis

- 3/31 A new bill signed into law will amend commercial fishing regulations. The law revises commercial fishing regulations to increase the depth at which nets can be set, changes the dates during which whitefish can be fished, and allows a designee of the Department of Natural Resources to examine fish for scientific purposes.
- 3/23-24 The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will open the Poe Lock in Sault Ste. Marie at 12:01 am this Friday, March 25th , marking the start of the 2022 Great Lakes shipping season.
- 3/17-18 The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Detroit District expects the Environmental Impact Statement process for Enbridge’s selection of a contractor to prepare the E.I.S.
- 3/15-16 A new round of funding grants were awarded to 10 Michigan Arts and Cultural Organizations to continue supporting local communities and economies across the state. The National Endowment for the Arts is awarding a total of \$1.35 million to the State of Michigan.
- 3/8-9 The United States Department of Agriculture is investing \$753,500 in improve infrastructure for some Upper Peninsula communities.
- 3/3-4 Discussion continues in St. Ignace regarding the future regulation of mobile vending, including food trucks.
- 3/2-3 The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced that they will invest \$4.79 million dollars from the bi-partisan infrastructure law to fully fund the Soo Locks in the UP.
- 2/25-27 Governor Gretchen Whitmer has announced a new grant program that will begin March 1st. It will provide businesses with additional support totaling \$409 million dollars to help retain or create jobs boost the state’s economy.
- 2/23-24 The St. Ignace News reports that a second off-island business license request for a food delivery business via bicycle and foot on Mackinac Island, prompted the city council to deliberate the merits of such businesses this winter. After discussing the concept multiple times, it has been abandoned.
- 2/16-17 The United States Department of Agriculture has invested \$95 million dollars to build and improve critical rural infrastructure in Michigan. These critical infrastructure investments will help provide

access to safe, reliable drinking water and sanitary waste disposable systems.

- 2/8-9 The Lake Superior Community Partnership and the City of Ishpeming announced the signing of a formal collaborative agreement between the two entities. The partnership agreement serves as a new capacity building model offered by the LSCP to address economic development shortfalls that communities across Marquette County have identified.
- 1/26-27 Salty Earth pictures of Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin was in Florence for several days to film scenes from their upcoming movie “Stand in the Gap” reported the Iron Mountain Kingsford Daily News.
- 1/25-26 The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced that they will invest \$479 million dollars from the Bi-partisan infrastructure law to fully fund the Soo Locks in the Upper Peninsula.
- 1/21-23 The Soo Locks in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan closed to marine traffic on January 15th to perform critical maintenance. The Locks are scheduled to reopen on March 25th.
- 1/12-13 The Governor has awarded grants to fix the roads in 9 communities across the state. The Transportation Economic Development Fund helps finance highway, road, and street projects.
- 1/7-9 Governor Whitmer has signed an executive directive establishing the Office of Rural Development within the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development. MDARD Director Gary McDowell says the new Office of Rural Development will be laser-focused on re-invigorating Michigan’s rural economies and being their partner of the critical issues they are facing.

Needs of the Handicapped

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 PSA
 6:15 AM – 6:18 AM
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- 2/12-17 The Small Business Association of Michigan’s Regional Owner to Owner reception will take place on February 17 at Northern Michigan University from 4:45 to 6 pm.

Focus on the Family

REC

Host: Jim Daly

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM

10:00 PM – 10:30 PM

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In 2005, Shauna Amick was surprised to learn during her third pregnancy that her child would have Down Syndrome and a life threatening heart defect. Shauna relied upon pro-life verses she had learned from the Bible.

3/2

Daniel Ritchie has faced remarkable adversity, yet he claims being born without arms was a gift. He shares how he overcame despair and discovered how to glorify God through his pain.

1/18

Sandra Peoples paints a picture of what life looks like for many special needs families.

News

Local

Hourly R.O.S. Basis

3/14-15

It is Developmental Disability Awareness Month and groups are spotlighting housing and voting as two major areas of concern. Nationwide roughly 57 million Americans live with some form of disability and about 180,000 Michiganders have a developmental disability.

2/7-8

The Western District of Michigan and the Justice Department announce an Americans with Disabilities Act Settlement Agreement with Meijer, Inc. to eliminate barriers preventing people with certain disabilities from getting information about COVID-19 vaccinations and booking vaccinations appointments online.

2/4-6

A new “Americans with Disabilities Act” accessible kayak launch received the rest of its funding at the Mackinac County Board of commissioners meeting on January 13th.

Needs of
Young People

What's Happening

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R.O.S. Basis

1/3-3/31

The U.P. Children's Museum will be displaying their temporary exhibit, "Winter Woods Wonder" from January through March. It will include a small forest of evergreen trees surrounded by snow and icicles.

3/21-31

Student Statesmanship Institute a week long camp for teens on the campus of Spring Arbor University is now accepting registrations. If you register and pay for the camp by March 22, you can save \$30 on the registration.

3/17-31

The Michigan State Police will be offering the U.P. Teen Defensive Driving Program during the week of June 27th at the Midwest Driving School. The cost is \$75. For more information call (906) 428-4412.

3/16-22

The U.P. Children's Museum will be celebrating it's 25th year on Tuesday, March 22 from 10 am until 5 pm. There is no cost.

3/4-10

"March-ING to the Beat" will be offered at the U.P. Children's Museum in Marquette on Thursday, March 10 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. There is no cost.

2/7-10

"Princesses, Pirates, and Puppy Paws" will be offered at the Upper Peninsula Children's Museum in Marquette on February 10. There are two time slots, 3 to 5 pm or 5:30 to 7:30 pm. You can register by calling (906) 226-3911. There is no cost.

Focus on the Family

REC

Host: Jim Daly

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM

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Jonathan Pokluda and Lisa Anderson, host of the Boundless Show, discuss the importance of single Christians pursuing dating in God's way.

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Hourly R.O.S. Basis

3/29-30

The Marquette County Sheriff's Office responded Friday morning to a residence in Marquette township for an apparent suicide of a 17 year old male, Jordan John Demay. The parents of Jordan have requested this information be released. It is believed that Jordan was being extorted through Instagram over pictures that he had taken of himself. The Sheriff's Office and the family of Jordan hope this will assist the community in healing, and to educate people and spur conversations about internet safety.

3/2-3

The Iron Mountain Kingsford Daily News reports that the Sagola Township Sportsman's Club Youth Program is starting the 2022 shooting season this Sunday, March 6th. The Big Shooters Club accepts all youth regardless of skill level.