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<u>Issue</u>	<u>Program Information</u>	<u>Brief Description</u>
Public Health Needs		
	News	
	Local	
	Hourly R.O.S. Basis	
	3/27-28	Governor Snyder has signed legislation making it illegal to work as or employ someone to work at accident scenes, and attempt to direct victims to particular doctors or attorneys.
	3/20-21	A Dickinson County Health Care System Clinic will open on the southwest corner of the hospital campus soon.
	3/19-20	Cliffs Natural Resources Michigan Operations and the Cliffs Technology Group recently received awards for their continued commitment to safety.
	3/13-14	Cheboygan Memorial Hospital has filed for chapter 11 bankruptcy. The hospital will remain open as it restructures and is eventually sold.
	3/6-7	The Marquette General Health System Board of Trustees has signed a memo of understanding to join Duke Lifepoint Healthcare.
	2/27-28	A proposed Emmet County wide ambulance authority may be one step closer to reality. A joint meeting between the Emmet County Board of Commissioners and the Mackinaw City Village Council scheduled to discuss the creation of the authority.

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	2/20-21	Reform of Parental Consent Laws at the state capitol under legislation by Senator Dave Robertson will establish standards for judges in all Michigan counties.	
	2/6-7, 11-12	An announcement from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services triggered a letter from Bishop Alexander sample to all catholic parishes in the Upper Peninsula.	
	1/30-31, 2/4-5	Right to Life of Michigan supports the Coercive Abortion Prevention Act Bills.	
	1/23-24, 28-29	The families of some organ donors oppose the wishes of those who have made the choice while alive.	
	1/24-25	A Pro-Life rally was staged Monday in Lansing. Senator Rick Jones says the rally was held on the anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion in the United States. Jones has a bill on the disposal of aborted babies.	
	1/16-17, 21-22	The American Civil Liberties Union has filed a lawsuit in Federal Court in Ann Arbor against a new law that would prevent public employers from providing medical or other fringe benefits to certain unrelated individuals who reside with public employees.	
	1/13-15	The Occupational Safety and Health Administration has cited Basic Marine, a shipyard and boat fabricating facility in Escanaba, for 32 violations of safety and health standards.	
	1/9-10, 14-15	Governor Snyder has signed into law a measure preventing public employers from providing medical or other fringe benefits to certain unrelated persons who live with public employees.	
	1/11-12	January is National Radon Action Month. The World Health Organization and Environmental Protection Agency have called on Americans to test their homes for radon gas.	
	1/9-10	The Michigan Supreme Court has ruled that Q-N Minerals and Carmeuse lime and stone are not liable for injuries sustained by a cyclist in 2007. Bicyclist Debra Mccue lost control of her bicycle on M-134 at the company's Cedarville Quarry.	
	1/2-3, 7-8	Legislation by Representative Dave Agema to ban public employers from granting employees insurance benefits for domestic partners has been signed into law by Governor Snyder.	
	1/4	A gas odor last week in Iron County has been traced to the inadvertent leak of a gas additive. The smell resulted in the closure of US-2 in Crystal Falls Township for about two hours.	

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Everyone gets down at times, but serious feelings of depression are more common than you may think. What are the symptoms of depression and how can it be treated?

1/26-27

Experiencing God's Grace in a Pro-Life Decision describes Joel and Ginger Millermon welcoming newborn twins into the world. Their baby boys were born prematurely, and one of them was given a very slim chance for survival. Ginger tells her moving story and explains how she, her husband and their children have experienced God's grace.

1/3-4

Finding satisfaction in God, not food is where many people make New Year's resolutions to lose weight and exercise more, only to abandon their resolve a short time later. Author Lysa Terkeurst explains how she broke the seemingly endless cycle of weight loss and gain by recognizing that her compulsion to eat excessively was really a misguided attempt to satisfy her longing for God.

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2/28-3/31

The U.P. Regional Blood Center will be holding seven blood drives throughout our listening area the last two weeks of March.

3/28-31

There will be upcoming blood drives throughout Upper Peninsula.

2/6-23

The YMCA hosts Dr. Surrell, author of the SOS, Stop Only Sugar, diet book on February 23rd in Escanaba.

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A free community walking event co-hosted by Northern Michigan University and the Marquette County Health Department will be held on February 1st in the Superior Dome.

Needs of the
Family

News
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- 3/27 Gusting winds are knocking down tree limbs into power lines causing electric service interruptions for some parts of the Upper Peninsula.
- 3/8-9 Governor Snyder has signed legislation to prevent disruptions at funerals and other memorial services.
- 2/28-29 With the potential for a significant winter event, Upper Peninsula Power Company is prepared to respond if outages result. If wet, heavy snow falls along with high winds as predicted, power outages from downed trees or limbs could result. People are reminded to stay away from downed power lines.
- 1/20-21 Governor Snyder has signed a series of bills that clarify the foreclosure and pre-foreclosure process and will help keep Michigan residents in their homes.
- 1/4-5 Mackinac County may test a small public transportation system. The transit system could be expanded if there is interest. An engineering firm concluded that there is a need for public transportation, but questions remain about what kind of service will be provided, how it will be funded, and who will oversee the operation.

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- 3/28-29 How do you live out your faith among non-believers in your community-especially when you encounter those who actively oppose Christian values?
- 3/26-27 If you're a Christian and your spouse is not, you probably struggle over the differences in your spiritual beliefs. How can you enjoy a thriving marriage while living out your faith?
- 3/22-23 Psychologist and author David Clarke explains the benefits of cultivating spiritual intimacy in marriage. Clarke offers practical suggestions for how a husband and wife can draw closer to each other while drawing closer to God.

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3/20-21		The death of a family member is one of life's most painful experiences, and it's especially excruciating for parents who've lost their child.	
3/19		How do you teach kids the value of work when all they'd rather do is play? Delegating age-appropriate household chores can help children learn the importance of responsibility.	
3/15-16		How can you save a marriage that's on the brink of divorce?	
3/13		What is the biblical model for manhood, and how can men live that out in today's culture?	
3/12		Practical tips for organizing a busy home.	
3/9		Husband and wife team counseling team Milan and Kay Yerkovich share insights on how love styles mold the parent-child relationship. Find out how you can help your child become an emotionally healthy adult.	
3/8		Embracing the joys and challenges of pregnancy Erin MacPherson offers practical advice for common issues faced during each trimester.	
3/5-6		Ladies, how can you live out God's design for you as a woman? That can be pretty challenging to do in a culture that men and women are basically the same. Priscilla Shirer describes how the Christian woman can make choices which fulfill God's role for her and help her thrive in her femininity.	
3/1-2		How's the health of your marriage? If it may be a good time for you and your spouse to evaluate you relationship and see where it could use improvement.	
2/28-29		For much of her life, Sheila Walsh struggled with shame and depression stemming from emotional wounds inflicted by her father during childhood.	
2/27		Kay Coles James, the founder of The Gloucester Institute, helps listeners examine the racial attitudes in their homes and offers biblically-based guidance for parents to help their kids develop a positive view of other racial and ethnic groups.	
2/23-24		Many Christians struggle with guilt and shame over the sense that they're failing God. You'll be encouraged as you hear author and speaker Joanna Weaver explain s how her life has changed since she overcame her need to be perfect and developed a deeper understanding of God's unconditional love for her.	
2/21-22		Author Gary Chapman says there are five "love languages," or five general ways in which people communicate love: through words of	

	affirmation, gifts, physical touch, quality time and acts of service. Find out how you help your kids better understand just how much you love them by listening.
2/20	Author and speaker Chuck Colson and bioethics expert Richard Doerfinger discuss the implications of a recent government mandate that forces religious groups and employers to violate their deeply held moral convictions.
2/16-17	Helping young women understand sex in today's culture. If you have a teen daughter who's "boy crazy," how can you help her understand the importance of pursuing purity and guarding her heart?
2/13-15	God's blueprint for a healthy marriage. Besides being the basis for family formation, marriage represents Jesus Christ's relationship with the church. Timothy Keller and his wife, Kathy, offer fascinating insights on God's designs for marriage and society in a discussion based on Timothy's book <i>The Meaning of Marriage</i> .
2/10	Nurturing affection in your marriage. Randy Carlson explains how couples can develop greater tenderness, closeness and passion in a discussion.
2/7-8	Developing a deeper connection with your spouse. Forming a deeper connection involves understanding your own "love style" as well as that of your mate's.
2/6	Being intentional in the life of your kids. Today's guest will encourage you to break out of the routine by looking for ways to make ordinary moments with your children special.
2/2-3	Trusting God when the unthinkable happens. How will you cope if the unthinkable actually happens?
1/31-2/1	Author Gary Thomas Believes that one of the reasons God gives us children is to shape our own character through the process of parenting.
1/24-25	Building the passion of your marriage.
1/23	You've probably heard it said that breakfast is the most important meal of the day. Authors Les and Leslie Parrott explain why dinnertime is important in strengthening family relationships.
1/20	How do you get a child to care about the elderly or understand the plight of orphans? How parents can teach their kids that all human life is created in God's image and is of inestimable worth in His sight.
1/19	Lysa Terkeurst believed her family was complete. She and her husband, Art, had three children and weren't planning to have any

more. Lysa explains how she took a step of faith by opening her heart to the possibility of adoption.

1/18-19

Lysa Terkeurst grew up believing there are only two kinds of people in the world - those who are loved, and those who are "throwaways." Listen in as Lysa shares the story of her painful past and how she found eternal hope in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

1/13

Reconnecting with kids in the evening. Listen in for some helpful suggestions from author Jill Savage, the founder and director of the organization Hearts at Home.

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Author Gary Smalley suggests practical and enjoyable ways for you and your kids to memorize verses, meditate on scriptural truths and apply what you learn to daily living.

1/11

At age 16, Jennifer Polimino had an abortion. Now a grown woman, Jennifer is a happily-married mom with two beautiful young kids who are a living testimony to God's grace in her life.

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Financial advice for young couples. How can a young couple avoid conflict and establish a firm financial footing that will help their marriage thrive?

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Understanding sibling rivalry. If you have kids, chances are they compete with each other for attention and approval.

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The value of dating your mate. How can you rekindle the romance that comes with dating?

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R.O.S. Basis

2/23-3/21

A Christian Men's Retreat will take place at Gitche Gumee Bible Camp in Eagle River, Michigan on April 7.

3/7-21

There will be a free, home-cooked meal at the First Baptist Church of Gwinn on March 21. Hot Turkey Sandwiches will be served.

3/8-9

FamilyLife will be presenting the video "The Art of Marriage" on March 9 and 10 in Sault Ste. Marie.

3/1-7

Messiah Lutheran Church in Marquette will be having a community meal on March 7.

2/1-15		There will be a free home-cooked meal at First Baptist Church in Gwinn on February 15.
1/18-2/1		Messiah Lutheran Church in Marquette will be having a community meal on February 1.
1/11-18		There will be a free, home cooked meal at First Baptist Church in Gwinn on January 18.
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2/9-3/21		Marquette County Health Department in Negaunee will be offering WIC Clinics on March 8, 16 and 21.
2/16-3/14		The annual Police vs. Firemen Charity Hockey Game will be played on March 14 in Marquette. Proceeds from the game will help support the Fire Relief Fund.
2/27-3/13		Marquette Food Co-op will be offering the class Culinary Basics 101 at Marquette Senior High School Home Economics Room 126 on March 13 and 20. Participants will learn cooking terminology and technique.
2/24-29		The Main Street Calumet Market will be offering a free public workshop on small hoop house construction, mobile hoop houses and winter-sowing on February 29 in the ballroom of the Calumet Theatre.
1/5-21		The Annual Teaching Family Homes Frostbite Festival Benefit Concert will be held on January 21.

Education

News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis		
3/12-13, 17-18		James Muffet, President of the Student Statesmanship Institute, will speak on America's Heritage at the Traverse City Christian School challenge dinner later this month.
3/5-6, 10-11		Traverse City Bill Weesner was accosted while picketing at an elementary school.

2/24-25 Requirements for high school graduation could be modified under legislation introduced by Vulcan Republican Representative Ed McBroom. He says under current state requirements, students are really directed through their studies into four-year college degree programs.

2/23-24 The senate is working to resolve problems in the highland park public school district.

2/16-17 Governor Rick Snyder has signed legislation intended to assist financially struggling school districts.

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1/17-2/18 Child Evangelism Fellowship will be having a teacher training seminar on February 18 in the Soo.

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1/1-18 Bay de Noc Community College will be offering high school financial aid nights to provide general financial aid information to high school juniors, seniors and their parents at the Escanaba Campus on December 14, January 11, 17 and 18, and at the campus in Iron Mountain on December 13 and January 12.

Corrections/
Courts

News
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3/19-20, 24-25 A measure before state lawmakers would provide compensation for those who are wrongfully convicted and incarcerated.

3/19-20 37 year old Michael Melchor of Grand Rapids has been sentenced in U.S. District Court to 30 years in prison for receipt of child pornography.

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3/16-18		An elderly Marquette woman may have been scammed out of a large amount of money.	
3/15-16		53 year old Kim Robert Statler of Kalamazoo has been indicted on charges of aiding and abetting felons in possession of firearms.	
3/15-16		43 year old Herman Kamphuis of Cedar Spring, Michigan is in federal custody, charged with attempted sexual exploitation of a minor for unlawful sexual activity.	
3/15-16		A Marquette man has been arraigned in U.S. district court on charges of knowingly providing a firearm to a convicted felon.	
3/14-15		The Department of Corrections will assist inmates in obtaining certain State identification documents, improving chances for employment upon their release.	
3/12-13		Marquette county prosecuting attorney Matt Wiese has announced that an agreement has been reached with Michael Jestila, the owner and operator of backroom obsessions in Marquette, resulting in a permanent closure of the business.	
3/9-11		Governor Snyder has signed legislation to eliminate judgeships to reflect changes in caseload and population shifts.	
3/6-7		A Daggett man has been arrested on a charge of third degree criminal sexual conduct. 24 year old Jonathon David Lyons was arrested by State police after a Facebook chat that reveled Lyons may have had sexual contact with a minor.	
2/27-28, 3/3-4		The ninth U.S. circuit court of appeals has ruled that California's Proposition 8 amended the Constitution to eliminate the right of same-sex couples to marry, which was a violation of the 14th Amendment.	
3/2-3		Four men have been arrested in connection with a home invasion and armed robbery in Munising Township.	
3/1-2		22 year old Walter Anthony Kalicki III of Allen Park Michigan was arrested by Marquette police after a snowmobile chase. Police witnessed the man on Washington Street on a snowmobile.	
2/29		Michigan State police from the Munising post were sent to a breaking and entering complaint at a residence on East Powell Lake Road in Munising Township. Suspects were taken into custody and the investigation is ongoing.	
2/28-29		The Michigan Crime Victim Services Commission has recently partnered with the Michigan Sheriff's Association to bring Michigan Sheriff offices the Michigan Crime Victim Notification Network.	

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2/21-22		Two subjects were arraigned in the 93rd district court in Munising and are currently lodged at the Alger county jail. Powers Ashley Goldwire, a 20 year old male from Fort Cambell, Kentucky was charged with two counts of carrying a concealed weapon and one count of receiving and concealing a stolen firearm. Matthew Shay Cox, a 21 year old male from Radford, Virginia was charged with two counts of carrying a concealed weapon.	
2/20-21		A Grand Rapids man has been found guilty on all counts for conspiracy to commit wire fraud and for commission of wire fraud, and a single bank fraud count.	
2/19		Michigan State troopers arrested two subjects on Saturday that were in possession of weapons while walking through Munising.	
2/13-14		Nathan Kent Lumbard of Howe, Indiana, has been sentenced to 48 months in prison for aggravated identity theft and passport fraud.	
2/10-12		A measure before State lawmakers would compensate those who are proven to have been wrongfully convicted and incarcerated.	
2/8-9		Troopers from the Gladstone State police post have arrested a 20 year old Bark River man on third degree criminal sexual conduct.	
2/8-9		47 year old Ahmed Sheikh Mohamed was sentenced to 84 months in prison for conspiracy, food stamp fraud, and theft of public money.	
2/7-8		The Marquette County Sheriff's Office is investigating a breaking and entry complaint of a camp located off of Holli Blue Road in Republic Township.	
2/6-7		A program developed at an Upper Michigan prison is receiving national attention. Warden Cathy Bauman at the Alger Correctional Facility developed the incentives in segregation program to make the facility safer, and provide structure, discipline, and accountability.	
2/6		A Big Bay woman has been arrested after a Saturday morning traffic crash. A northbound vehicle left the roadway, rolled over and struck the guy wire on a utility pole. 34 year old Amy Lynn Tierrablanca of Big Bay has been charged with operating while intoxicated causing death.	
2/2-3		Prisoners in Michigan will have to start paying sales tax on purchased items under legislation overwhelmingly approved last week.	
2/1		A Gwinn man is back in custody after escaping last week following a court appearance. 27 year old Troy Alan Luoma, at his arraignment, was ordered into the custody of the sheriff's department and escaped. Luoma turned himself in to the Marquette County Sheriff's Office	

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		Tuesday evening; he was arrested and lodged in the Marquette county jail without incident.	
1/25-26		A bi-partisan package of bills is aimed at reforming lives and keeping records clean when people successfully complete diversion programs.	
1/23-24		Deputies from the Marquette County Sheriff's Office responded to an incident involving a dark colored pick-up truck posing as a police vehicle.	
1/23		Three men are in custody after a drive-by shooting in Marquette. The home owner said he believed the front window had been shot out by a known group of individuals driving by. Officers located the vehicle shortly before 4:30 AM. Three occupants were arrested and lodged in the Marquette county jail. 17 year old twin bothers from Marquette were arrested on drug possession charges, while a 21 year old Marquette man was arrested on warrants for parole violation.	
1/20-22		The Marquette County Sheriff's Office has identified the woman from Rock charged with the larceny of two laptop computers from Wal-mart.	
1/18-19		The Munising State Police Transitional Detachment will move to a new site located at the Alger Correctional Facility and become the Munising detachment of the Negaunee Regional Post.	
1/11-12		A Niagara man has been sentenced to serve one year in jail for sexual assault charges involving a minor female. 22 year old Ryne Sauld previously agreed to plead no contest to one felony count of third degree sexual assault. The incident took place in Niagara with a victim who was 14 years old at the time.	
1/10-11		41 year old Donalyn Lynette Taisto of Baraga has been sentenced to 46 months in federal prison. Taisto plead guilty to one count of assault resulting in serious bodily injury.	
1/10-11		61 year old Curnel Wayland Matheny of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan has been sentenced to 63 months in federal prison for possessing child pornography.	
1/6-8		The Marquette County Sheriff's Office is warning residents of a possible sweepstakes telephone scam.	
1/4-5		Inmates at Jackson prison produce braille books for blind children. Jackson prison has been producing books since the 1960s. The unique training also provides inmates training so they can find work if they are released from prison.	
1/4-5		Officers from the Marquette Police Department responded to a hit and run accident that occurred at the intersection of South Seventh	

and Fisher Streets in Marquette. The suspect's vehicle is described as an older, full size, red pick-up truck driven by a white female driver.

1/2-3

Michigan attorney general Bill Schuette has announced his office will charge Presque Isle Prosecutor Richard Steiger with one count of obtaining a prescription for controlled substances from a health care provider by fraud.

1/2-3

A downstate man has plead guilty to a wire fraud charge in federal court. 41 year old Jeffrey Lee Groendyke admitted to fraudulently obtaining about \$1 million from investors in the J.G. Forex fund.

1/2-3

State police have announced that the Ontonagon Resident Trooper Office has moved from the Marina on River Road to 730 South Seventh Street, in the Department of Human Services Office.

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1/16-17

Kimberly Smith was an ordinary wife and mom when she learned about the dark world of modern-day slavery and human trafficking. Smith describes how she launched an international effort to help prevent human trafficking and minister to those victimized by it.

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3/6-25

On March 25, in Marquette, the Marquette Lions Club 10th Annual Pancake Breakfast will raise money to help purchase and train two new police dogs for the Marquette City Police Department.

Substance Abuse

News
 Local
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2/22-23

An Upper Michigan Representative is concerned about synthetic drugs, and is working on legislation to address the problem.

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2/19		The Marquette County Sheriff's Office is investigation three separate accidents, where alcohol is believed to be a factor.	
2/17		Detectives from the Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team executed a search warrant on Park Street in Marquette. Police searched the residence and confiscated drugs, money, and a firearm.	
2/7-8		A draft zoning ordinance concerning synthetic drugs was brought before the Iron Mountain city council at last week's meeting.	
2/2-3		More than 300 motorists were arrested over the holidays in Michigan during a Statewide drunk driving crackdown. Of those arrested 38 were charged under the State's high blood alcohol content law with having a blood alcohol content of .17 or higher.	
1/24-25		As new drugs made their way into the local area, so has confusion about the substances. Dr. Terry Frankovich, medical director of the Dickinson-Iron district health department says bath salts started showing up in emergency rooms in Michigan just over a year ago. Plant food is another drug, similar to bath salts, with an amphetamine-type drug as its active ingredient called mephedrone.	
1/20-22		The Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team continues to enforce controlled substance laws in Upper Michigan. UPSET is responsible for 12 counties and 22,000 square miles.	
1/6-8		A measure before State lawmakers would allow the director of community health to classify new synthetic drugs as dangerous.	
1/7-8		The Marquette police department was notified about a suspected meth lab at 510 West Bluff Street in Marquette. The residence was secured and detectives from the Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team were called to assist in the investigation. A search warrant was obtained and the evidence was recovered. The drug lab disposal company of Grand Rapids was contacted to secure the hazardous materials recovered during the search warrant.	
12/2		A Christmas man is injured following a vehicle pedestrian accident. 46 year old Timothy Hardwick of Christmas was walking Eastbound in the Eastbound lane of M-28 when he was struck by an Eastbound pickup. Police say excessive alcohol consumption on the part of the pedestrian and limited visibility due to the ongoing winter storm were both factors in the crash.	

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The Mission Bible Training Center will have its annual family supper night on March 3, at Grace Covenant Church in Iron River.

Tourism/
 Recreation

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3/19-20

Little Traverse Conservancy is helping the village of Mackinaw City acquire a small plot of land on North Huron Street with lakeshore frontage.

3/5-6

All Mackinac island ferry companies have asked the city to ease off its requirements for late night and late season runs and charge a lower franchise fee to curtail a loss of revenue that could put one or more of the companies out of business.

2/21-22

Star Line Mackinac Island Ferry will operate as usual this year, according to the St. Ignace news.

2/16-17

A group of citizens still has concerns about a new cell tower on Brockway Mountain.

2/10-12

Upper Peninsula Power Company is preparing for spring runoff by lowering the water levels at its hydro reservoirs in the western portion of Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

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4/2-28

Steve Rockey, a professional outdoorsman and Sportsman's Evangelist, will hold meetings at Manistique Bible Church on April 22 and 29, at 10:30 AM. There will also be special meetings on Friday and Saturday, April 27 and 28 at 6:30 PM.

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| 3/29-31 | The Department of Natural Resources will host an informational meeting on April 17, regarding the proposed designation of the Keweenaw ORV trail in Keweenaw county as a State off-road vehicle trail. |
| 3/13-28 | Brian Roell, MDNR Wildlife Biologist, will discuss the Michigan Moose population on March 28 in Fornetti Hall at Bay College West. |
| 3/1-14 | The Laughing Whitefish Audubon Society will present a free program called "Planting a Future for Birds--the Escanaba Migratory Bird Enhancement Initiative" in the Community Room of Peter White Public Library. |
| 2/24-3/7 | The Northern Center for Lifelong Learning will present a combined indoor-outdoor program beginning on March 7 at the U.S. National Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame in Ishpeming and ending at the Suicide Hill ski jump area. |
| 1/24-2/18 | The Michigan Department of Natural Resources has scheduled a winter free fishing weekend for February 18 and 19. On that weekend, everyone--residents and non-residents alike- can fish without a license, though all other fishing regulations still apply. |
| 1/23-2/11 | Big Bay 550 Snowmobile Club will hold its 32nd Annual Fishing Derby at Lake Independence on February 11 and 12. |

Government Issues

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| 3/26-27 | Mackinac Bridge travel could be expedited with new electronic tolling software that will be developed soon. |
| 3/22-23 | A measure before State lawmakers by Republican senator Joe Hune would lower the tobacco tax in Michigan. A Mackinac center study showed 26% of cigarettes consumed in Michigan were smuggled into the State. |
| 3/13-14 | The Dickinson County Road Commission will seek a federal grant to rehabilitate and improve Quinnesec-Lake Antoine Road. |

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3/8-9		Governor Rick Snyder has announced the merger of two commissions that worked on juvenile justice issues. The 15-member committee will advise on juvenile justice issues and guide implementation of juvenile justice policies and programs.	
3/1-2		Governor Rick Snyder has presented the legislature with his recommended fiscal year 2013 budget.	
2/21-22		Governor Snyder signed two bills this week that will allow county boards of commissioners to dissolve or ask voters to dissolve county road commissions.	
2/13-14, 18-19		Senator Patrick Colbeck has legislation at the capitol that will allow Michigan residents to purchase "choose life" license plates.	
2/15-16		A measure before State lawmakers would crack down on those with unpaid parking violations. If the bill is signed, a motorist with three unpaid parking tickets would have a hold placed on the renewal of their driver's license.	
2/9-10		Michigan motorists may soon be able to help others choose life. Legislation approved in the senate would authorize the creation of a "choose life" specialty license plate. Funds raised would go to support organizations and projects that promote abortion alternatives.	
2/7-8		The city of Mackinac island has called for the two ferry boat lines to sit down with the city to further clarify expectations for winter service.	
1/31-2/1		Right To Life of Michigan is optimistic about its prospects for promoting pro-life legislation in Lansing.	
1/31-2/1		The city of Mackinac island collected over \$906,000 in ferry franchise fees. The city has allocated money from the fees to repave roads, purchase new street garbage cans, and pay for flower baskets that will hang from street lamps. \$82,000 now remains from the franchise fees collected. Mayor Margaret Doud says there is no plan to adjust the rate after the two-year franchise agreements expire next year.	
1/30-31		A tax amnesty program resulted in a significant influx of cash for the State. The program allowed both business and individual taxpayers to voluntarily come forward if they owed back taxes to the State.	
1/27-29		Governor Rick Snyder was interviewed Thursday afternoon for the "Leaders on Leadership" television show at Wayne State University. Snyder appeared on the show about five years ago while chairman of Gateway computers. Fobes says the program will compare Snyder's corporate leadership, transitioning into his leadership in serving as Michigan's Governor.	

1/26-29	State lawmakers have been making changes to spur job growth and business in Michigan. Lawmakers recently replaced the Michigan business tax with a simpler, fairer tax.
1/19-20	Michigan's Economy is moving in the right direction. The governor also said Michigan must address critical challenges and emphasize good government.
1/18	Governor Rick Snyder will deliver his State of the State address. Issues may include the repeal of the personal property tax, use of the gas tax to aid in transportation repair, and the new international trade crossing.
1/13-15	Governor Rick Snyder has signed a package of bills removing long-standing obstacles to local governments that may wish to share or consolidate services.

Needs of the Elderly

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2/14-18	On Saturday, February 18, the Marquette Kiwanis Club will sponsor the annual Kiddie Mutt Races at the Marquette Commons.
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Employment/
Unemployment

News
Local
Hourly R.O.S. Basis

3/23-24	The unemployment rate in the Upper Peninsula increased seasonally in January to 10.5%, a gain of eight-tenths of a percentage point.
3/7-8	Cliffs Michigan Operations has started a major repair project at the Tilden Mine.
2/28-29	U.S. senator Carl Levin has asked the postmaster general in a letter for more information about postal service plans to consolidate mail processing facilities in Michigan.
2/17-19	Cliffs Natural Resources this week reported fourth-quarter and full-year results for the period ended December 31, 2011. Record full-

year revenues of \$6.8 billion increased 45% from 2010. Full-year net income was \$1.6 Billion.

2/13-14

Area officials received a guided tour Friday of Grede Foundries in Kingsford.

2/2-3

The unemployment rate in the Upper Peninsula rose in December to 9.6%, 1.4 percentage points above the November rate of 8.2%. For all of 2011, the Upper Peninsula jobless rate averaged 10.0%, down nearly two full percentage points from the 2010 level.

2/2-3

Cliffs Natural Resources has provided an update on its 2011 expected results. Cliffs expects to report full-year revenue per ton in its U.S. iron ore business segment at the low end of its previous 2011 revenue per ton outlook of \$135-\$140.

1/13-15

The Lake Superior Community Partnership and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation have announced the creation of the Upper Peninsula jobs portal, a portion of the MEDC's Statewide interactive job posting and search system.

1/4-5

The unemployment rate in the Upper Peninsula moved up in November to 8.2%, an increase of three-tenths of a percentage point from the October rate of 7.9%.

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2/21-3/31

On April 5, 10, and 12 a 3-evening, beginning farmer webinar series will be offered for people interested in exploring opportunities in small or larger-scale farming. Presenters will cover farm business basics, and animal and plant based farm enterprises.

1/4-2/8

Northern Michigan University Career Services will hold its summer job fair on February 8 in the Great Lakes Rooms from 1 to 3:30 pm.

1/1-30

For people interested in exploring opportunities in small or larger-scale farming, MSU Extension is offering a 4-evening course for "Beginning Farmers" on Tuesday evenings in Hancock, Wednesday evenings in Escanaba, and Thursday evenings in Sault Ste. Marie from late January through mid March.

Environment

News
Local
Hourly R.O.S. Basis

- 3/21-22 The number of wolves at Isle Royale National Park has dipped to nine--the lowest number seen since Michigan Technological University's wolf-moose predator-prey study began 54 years ago.

- 3/19-20 With winter winding down, the Marquette National Weather Service office reports that this winter may set a record for the lowest number of sub-zero days.

- 3/15-16 Changes are in the works in Lansing for Michigan's Qualified Forest Act. McBroom says the current law has a very complicated recapture tax if the landowner removes the parcel from the program.

- 3/13-14 Wildfire season has returned to areas of Michigan where winter snow has melted.

- 3/9-11 Michigan would follow Wisconsin's process for using waste byproducts from paper mills to boost revenue and agriculture crop production in the State under legislation introduced. The bill promotes the reuse of paper mill waste as fertilizer and compost material.

- 2/24-26 Private landowners who add their timber to the forest product industry through Michigan's Qualified Forest Property Program will have more flexibility and fewer penalties.

- 2/14-15 A ditch cleaning project last spring has the Mackinac County Road Commission facing heat from several State and Federal agencies. The project may have disturbed the habitat of the Michigan monkey flower.

- 2/6-7 Members of the U.S. Coast Guard and several other agencies participated in a project in the Straits area. The group used the area to simulate icy conditions found in the arctic ocean, practicing techniques for recovering spilled oil and other hazardous material from icy waterways.

- 2/3-5 Management authority over wolves in Michigan has been officially returned to the Department of Natural Resources, putting the state's Wolf Management Plan into effect.

- 1/17-18 Governor Snyder has signed three bills creating the Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Council. The council will make recommendations to the D.E.Q. on a final update to the Michigan Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plan.

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The Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve will be having an online auction from March 9 to March 23. Bidding will end on March 23 during our Spring Benefit Concert in Marquette. Proceeds will go toward the preservation of the Yellow Dog and Salmon Trout Rivers.

3/16-22

The Growing Season Extension Workshop is rescheduled for March 22 in the ballroom of the Calumet Theatre.

1/19-30

The Department of Natural Resources' Western Upper Peninsula Citizen's Advisory Council will meet on January 30 in Escanaba.

1/11-18

Brian Roell, Michigan Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Biologist, will discuss Michigan wolves on January 18 in Fornetti Hall at Bay College West.

Economy

News

Local

Hourly R.O.S. Basis

3/26-27

The Soo Locks opened at noon on Saturday, 12 hours earlier than originally planned, marking the beginning of the Great Lakes shipping seasons.

2/24-26

On Monday, February 27, weight restrictions will be imposed and enforced on all state trunkline highways within the Upper Peninsula.

2/22-23

Skywest Airlines will continue as the carrier for Houghton County Memorial Airport.

2/24-25

Michigan's Reinvention continues with an update in the corporate tax ranking in the state's business tax index.

2/6-7

Michigan Technological University's Rail Transportation Program is one of seven members of a research university consortium that has received the U.S. Department of Transportation's first multi-million grant to a University Transportation Center focused solely on rail transportation.

1/23-24

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has announced the seasonal closing of the Soo Locks in Sault Ste. Marie. While closed to

navigation for the next two months, crews will be busy with a variety of maintenance projects on both the Poe and MacArthur Locks.

1/18-19

Some of the buildings at the former Newpage Paper Mill will be removed to improve the chances of utilizing the remaining buildings. Many of the "purpose built" structures on the site were not an advantage to newcomers, but were a deterrent to utilization and restoration.

1/11-12

Governor Snyder spent time at the 2012 North American International Auto Show in Detroit. His first day included a full slate of meetings with auto executives, federal cabinet secretaries, and engineering students from seven Michigan universities.

1/5-6

Cliffs Natural Resources has announced that an agreement has been reached for the sale of its previously discontinued Renewafuel Biomass Production Facility at Sawyer.

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3/8-19

President and CEO of the Marinette Marine Corporation, Charles Goddard, will be the guest speaker at the Economic Club Dinner in Marquette on March 19. Marinette Marine has grown into a world-class shipbuilder, having designed and built more than 1,500 vessels.

Needs of
Young People

Church Bulletin Board

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R.O.S. Basis

2/7-14

The Older, Wiser Lutherans at Messiah Lutheran Church will be hosting an evening of food and fun for community members age 55 and older on February 14.

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1/25-2/13

The Northern Center for Lifelong Learning will present "Minimizing the Tax Bite for Seniors" on February 13 in the Superior Dome.

1/13-23

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