

October-December 2018

OCTOBER 2018

10-1 Kevin Chown, appeared on Swedish Television Show, "My Great Swedish Adventure"

Talks about his experiences on the Swedish reality television. First two episodes have aired.

10-2 Ralph Blasier, Escanaba City Councilman

Talked about the FIOA request of Escanaba ballots. Communities throughout Escanaba face the request. Blasier says the deadline has passed to agree to the cost so the ballots should be destroyed. Council will consider.

10-3 Jesse Fuller, Tri-County Safe Harbor and Kelli Van Ginhoven, For the Love of Cupcakes

Talked about Domestic Abuse Awareness Month. Will put purple ribbons on light poles in downtown Escanaba with facts about domestic abuse. For the Love of Cupcakes will also have a domestic abuse awareness day where the profits will help the shelter.

10-4 Tonya Gartland, Delta Animal Shelter

Full house at the shelter right now. The Bissell Pet Free Adoption Day will be held Saturday to help address the overcrowding at the shelter. Talked about the process for adoption.

10-5 Kristine Granger and Emilie Shada, Bay College

Talked about the exhibition of Addison, a professional artist from Chicago who married an Escanaba woman. It includes images of Escanaba. The collection belongs to the college. A fundraising reception will be held. Talked about how to get tickets for the event.

10-9 Delta County Sheriff Ed Oswald

Talked about the chase video of a stolen vehicle. Shows the chase from Boney Falls to Gladstone. Talked about the chase including use of stop sticks. Talked about lessons learned during the event. Made a change to policy on use of sheriff vehicle to stop a chase.

10-14

TJ Thomas, Delta County Economic Development Alliance

Talked about his new position with the EDA. Talked about the potential in the area for economic development and what his goals are.

Jenni Grabowski, Public Health

Talked about the upcoming presentation of the movie "The Ripple Effect." It is about suicide and what can be done to prevent it. They are offering to show it for free to professionals in order to create a dialogue on the issue.

10-21

Steve Soderman, VanAire

The company was presented Business of the Year by the Delta Chamber of the Commerce during the chamber's Annual Dinner. Talked about the growth of the company, need to offer support to employees and the future of the company.

Al Ettenhofer, U.P. Whitetails

Talked about the first case of chronic wasting disease found in the U.P. Talked about measures that were put in place by the task force before CWD was identified in the U.P. Talked about the importance of hunters continuing to hunt in the upcoming firearm deer season.

10-28

Maggie Tall, Teresa Nelson, Dennis LaMarche, Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Talked about the upcoming preparations for the Escanaba Community Thanksgiving Dinner. A non-profit group has now been established to continue the event. It has grown through Maggie Tall and she and Teresa Nelson are passing on the responsibilities of the event.

1st Lt Gregg Cunningham, Gladstone State Police Post Commander

Talked about what legalization of marijuana in Michigan and some of the myths with it. Myths include creating more space in jails by eliminating possession charges. But Cunningham says they are mostly under the influence while driving which will continue to be a crime.

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11-4

Delta County Sheriff Ed Oswald

Talked about his concerns with Proposal One on the November ballot. Says he is concerned about how it will affect younger kids. Says he does not agree that it is comparable to alcohol. Feels marijuana does lead to harder drugs especially those with addictive personalities. Feels it will lead to more accidents on roadways.

Coby Fletcher, Dan Flynn, Escanaba Schools

Talked about the need for voters to approve the school district's sinking fund proposal. Talked about some of the specific issues the funds would address. Covers security, technology and building repairs.

11-11

Laura Coleman, Bay College President

Talked about the groundbreaking of the addition at YMCA. Phase one is the locker rooms at the front of the gym for the college's new sporting teams.

Doug Lisenring, Delta Schoolcraft Intermediate School District

Talked about the ACES study, adverse childhood experiences. It deals with school support of kids who are

struggling at home. The goal is to help students with behavioral problems. It is a growing problem in the school district.

11-18

Theresa Meyers, Venision Project

Theresa is a high school student who stepped forward at the Memorial United Methodist Church to take over the Venision Project. Hunters are encouraged to take deer to three locations for processing. The meat is then distributed at area food pantries. Last year, 800 pounds were collected.

Gabe Smith, Eloise Fletcher and Kyra Beck, Escanaba High School students

All three are involved in the musical "Annie" that opens at the Escanaba High School. They talked about the play, their interest in acting and how to get tickets.

11-25

Diane Latenian and Kay Johnson, GFWC

The charity ball Party with a Purpose raises funds for community charities, The Dec. 1 event is in its 68th year. Will be held at Terrace Bay.

Jay Kulbertis, Gladstone, Rapid River Superintendent

Talked about the state championship game with the Rapid River Rockets. Talked about the audit and good report from the audit. Talked about being able to anticipate expenses and being ready from them. Also talked about the Marshall Plan for Talent applications at NMU and Michigan Tech.

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12-2

Mike Olson, Bay de Noc Choral Society

Talked about the upcoming concert at Bethan Lutheran Church, the music that will be performed and how to participate in future concerts.

Phil Lynch, musician

Talked about his new song, "Upper Michigan Christmas" that he wrote and performed. Talked about the writing process, what he wrote about and performing the song.

12-9

Lorne Watson, musician

Talked about his upcoming concert at Bay College. It highlights his emphasis on percussion but also includes other music and songs he wrote. Other musicians helping out.

Clint Seawright, Skunk Creek Trapping Supplies

He collects deer hides from throughout the U.P. Talked about how the hides are collected, what the

season has been like, the international market and importance of fur industry. Also talked about how the trade war globally is affecting his business.

12-16

Jim Hanson, Michigan Waterways Commission

Talked about the need for more revenue. More people are using kayaks and paddleboards rather than power and sailboats. Talked about needs at state harbors.

12-23

Keith Whitman, USA Natural Luge Coach, and Torrie Cookman, Luge Athlete

The team is heading for competitions in Europe, Keith is from Escanaba, Cookman from Marquette.

Talked about what takes to compete and practicing in the Upper Peninsula.

Ron Miaso, Gladstone Downtown Development Authority

Talked about the Christmas celebrations in Gladstone and the new decorations. Talked about the North Shore Economic Development Analysis that was just released. Will be holding meetings about it in January.

12-30

Delta County Probate Judge Robert Goebel and Judge-elect Perry Lund

Talked about Goebel's 40 year career on the bench and Lund's background with the court and future as judge. Highlights included the Rapid River child abuse case that resulted when a little girl was found naked in the snow by a little dog that alerted her own owner.

Charles Lindquist and Elizabeth Kellor, Delta County Historical Society

Talked about the Sand Point Lighthouse and Delta County Historical Museum open house that will be held the two days following Christmas. Includes cookies and music in the lighthouse.