

QUARTERLY ISSUES PROGRAMS LIST FOR STATION – WBUP/WBKP

April 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023

Section I: Issues

Environmental/Energy Issues: The Michigan Department of Natural Resources said moose counts in the area have plateaued and officials recommended no hunting of the animals for now. Wildfires in Canada have caused air quality concerns for much of the Midwest. ABC-10 did several stories including one about protecting pets during poor air quality conditions. The DNR is promoting sustainable recreational activities with ATV's. The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy is working with local landfills to help get the word out about what materials should not go into the dump. The DNR planted trout in several streams and rivers, but warns about the presence of invasive species. The agency asked anglers decontaminate their boats and fishing gear to prevent the spread. The state was awarded a grant to improve the electric grid including power lines and improving flood prevention and recovery systems.

Education: Area students studies cybersecurity in hopes of addressing a shortage in that field. The Farm to School program in Negaunee teaches students to grow their own vegetables. The Houghton High School Robotics team went to the state championships. Finlandia University closes its doors due to financial issues. Students learn how to 3D print projects. Michigan becomes one of the states that will provide free meals for children in public schools.

Public Health Care: A blastomycosis outbreak at an Escanaba paper mill causes the mill to shut down, impacting hundreds of workers. A new alcohol and substance abuse recovery center opens in Negaunee, named after State Rep. John Kivela. Drug use and Criminal Sexual Conduct continue to be public health and safety concerns in the community. Social media plays a huge part in the mental health of children and young adults. Local high schools, health professionals and law enforcement continue to pursue ways to improve mental health and safety. Other issues continue to be abortion and conversion therapy for members of the LGBTQ community.

Food insecurity continues to be an issue in the area, a problem made larger by inflation. Local and regional organizations are stepping up to fill the void.

Local Culture: Water and transportation on it is a big part of living in the Upper Peninsula, from electric boat tours, and new ADA accessible docks and a variety of activities are available in the area. The Marquette County Sheriff worked with the Negaunee Lions Club to do community service along Teal Lake at the start of the summer. The Upper Peninsula Horse Association hosted the UP summer classic. Music on Third started in Downtown Marquette. Local artists performed along the sidewalks of Third Street for visitors to enjoy. Marquette and Negaunee became one of a handful of municipalities to open up a social district, allowing bar and restaurant patrons of participating businesses to leave the building with alcoholic beverages in specially designed cups. Patrons are required to stay within the confines of the Social District, which is marked with signs. Affordable housing continues to be a concern in many U.P. Counties. Habitat for Humanity and other organizations are assisting with that effort.

Section II - Responsive Programs

ENVIRONMENTAL/ENERGY ISSUES:

- And according to survey results reported to the Michigan Natural Resources Commission, the moose population estimate for the western upper peninsula is not significantly different from the previous survey conducted in 2019. The survey estimated a population of 426 moose in the western u.p., comparable to the 2019 estimate of 509 individuals. The survey indicates a plateauing trend in moose abundance, with population growth over the past 12 years being less than 1%. The western u.p. moose range covers 1,400 square miles in parts of Marquette, Baraga, and Iron counties. The survey also noted a decline in the number of observed twins and a lower bull-to-cow ratio, potentially indicating a recruitment issue. The DNR will continue monitoring to assess any developing trends. Motorists are advised to be cautious to prevent moose-vehicle collisions. The DNR is not recommending a moose hunting season due to the low population growth rate. Run Date: 6/12/2023, Title: Moose TRT: 51 seconds.
- The state veterinarian's office released the following statement due to the recent air quality alert issued for Michigan. Follow these next steps to ensure your furry friends stay healthy during this time. This alert was issued because of the elevated levels of fine particulate matter due to the wildfire smoke from Canada. Assistant state veterinarian, Jennifer Calo-Gero states quote, "if animals are being negatively affected by breathing poor quality air, they could exhibit various signs of illness, including coughing, wheezing, having difficulties breathing, eye drainage, lethargy, changing the sound of their vocalization, decreased appetite, and thirst." end quote. Run Date: 6/28/2023, Title: Vet Air Quality, TRT: 38

- Keweenaw is promoting responsible and sustainable recreation through a digital campaign. Their second video focuses on atv recreation and trail safety. Leave no trace principles are emphasized, particularly in Isle Royale National Park. The video features Keweenaw County Sheriff Deputy Matt Eberly discussing riding responsibly within limits. It will be shared on Visit Keweenaw's social media platforms. Additional videos on mountain biking and water sports will be released in the coming months. Planning ahead is crucial, especially in remote areas like the Keweenaw. Run Date: 5/15/2023, Title: Keweenaw, TRT: 31 seconds.
- In Michigan When You Throw Away Trash There Are Rules As To What You Can And Cannot Take To Landfills. These Laws Are In Place To Help Protect The Environment And Conserve Dwindling Space Within The Landfills. Here Are Five Items That Are Illegal To Throw Away In Landfills. Do Not Take Beverage Containers. There Are Two Ways To Recycle Your Cans And Bottles In Michigan. If The Can Or Bottle Has A Deposit Return, Take It To Any Retailer That Sells That Beverage And Get Your Deposit. Otherwise Check With Michigan.gov To View The Recycling Directory. Lead Acid Batteries. Michigan Landfills Will Not Accept Them So Do Not Put Them In The Trash. Most Auto Repair Shops Will Take Them. Empty Drums Are Not Accepted At Landfills. There Are Special Recycling Facilities For Empty Drum. Yard Clippings In Michigan Should Be Composted Onsite Or Taken To A Composting Facility. Scrap Tires In The Should Be Recycled Where Possible Do Not Toss Them In The Trash. These Five Items Are What The Natural Resources And Environmental Protection Act Of 1994 Prohibit From Being Thrown Into A Non-Hazardous Solid Waste Landfill. Run Date: 5/24/2023, Title: Throw A way, TRT: 1:02
- As The Statewide Trout Opener On April 29 Approaches, Don't Forget About Invasive Species Prevention. Trout Streams In Michigan Are Threatened By Harmful Species That Can Hitch A Ride On Your Fishing Gear. To Prevent This, The Michigan Dnr And Environment, Great Lakes, And Energy Are Asking Anglers To Decontaminate Their Gear Before Heading To The Water. Clean, Drain, And Dry Your Waders, Boots, Boats, And Other Gear Between Trips Or Before Moving To A New Body Of Water. Use A Chemical Disinfectant, Such As Formula 409, Antibacterial, Or Bleach Solution, To Achieve Maximum De-Contamination. All Disinfectants Should Be Applied To Gear On Land And Away From Water Sources To Avoid Accidental Discharge Into Water Surfaces. Public Reporting Is Important In Early Detection Of Invasive Species. For More Information On Decontamination Or Aquatic Invasive Species, Visit Michigan Dot Gov Forward Slash Invasiv. Run Date: 4/28/2023; Title: Trout, TRT: 51

Education issues:

- Evan Rice, senior vice president of GuideStar, partnered with Upper Peninsula Michigan works to address the talent shortage in cybersecurity. They established Michigan's first high school youth registered apprenticeship program in cybersecurity also known as y-

rap.the program, based at the dickinson–iron intermediate school district, provides real–world work experiences for high school students.with support from upmw and national partners, the y–rap prepares students for careers in cybersecurity.this collaborative effort aims to grow a cybersecurity ecosystem in the upper peninsula awhile retain young talent. contact upper peninsula michigan works! At 800–285–9675 for more information. Run date: 6/16/2023;Title: UP Workers; TRT 39 seconds

- The lakeview elementary school in negaunne will be working on their farm to school project on may 20th. The project will take place at the elementary school's courtyard starting at 9am and will go until 4pm. All community members are welcome and encouraged to participate. The volunteers will be building 20 garden beds. Including two that will be wheelchair accessible and one that will be used for demonstration purposes. The program teaches students to grow their own vegetables to be served as part of the school's lunch program, also known as farm to school. For more information contact sarah at: sarah dot weaver @ negaunee schools dot org Run Date: 5/17/2023; Title: Farm to School, TRT: 36 seconds
- Thank you lindsay...bringing it back home...finlandia's board of trustees has officially voted to dissolve the institution after the semester's end...school officials say they've made contact with experienced legal consul, and the office of the attorney general of michigan to begin the wind–down process...finlanida university president timothy pinnow and the university's board of trustees stated they worked throughout the year to find a viable solution to keep the school going...but were unsuccessful.. University leadership says the decision is based on the institution's financial challenges, and the changing demographics of students seeking higher education... As the university works to wind–down operations, they plan to set up career and education fairs for students and faculty...a *teach –and–transfer fair with 20 other universities, will take place on march 20th... And another job fair for finlandia staff will take place the following day. Run date 3/15/2023 TRT: 52 seconds
- Turning now from outdoor to indoor activities...today marquette senior high school 3–d printing students had some senior visitors...showing off their three d printer they received in 2008the school offers the 3d class for tenth through twelfth grade students...who say the event today is a good opportunity to benefit both youth students and community seniors. Here student becky: Run Date 3/9/2023; Title: 3D printing, TRT: 31 seconds.
- Students Will Get Free Meals When They Return To Michigan Public Schools This Fall. Michigan Is Set To Become The Fifth State In The Nation To Offer Free Breakfast And Lunch To All Students At Public Schools Thanks To \$160 Million Dollars In The New State Budget. During The Pandemic, The Federal Government Helped Public Schools Provide Free Breakfast And Lunch Regardless Of Income, But That Program Expired In 2022. The Program, Dubbed "Healthy School Meals For All," Covers Free Breakfast And Lunch For Students From Pre–K Through 12th Grade For The Upcoming School Year. Run Date: 06/29/2023, Title: Free Lunches, TRT: 32 seconds

Public health care issues:

- And a new update in the blasto-my-cosis outbreak at billerud paper factory in escanaba. Public health officials of delta and menominee counties are working closely with the cdc and niosh to investigate the outbreak of this fungal infection that has turned deadly for one unfortunate worker. As of may 5th, there have not been any more deaths but 115 total cases have been recorded, including 14 hospitalizations. The public health office also states that this fungal infection is from breathing in the fungal spores within the air, but it is not transmissible between person to person or animal to people since dogs have also been known to contract this infection. The incubation time is generally 21 to 90 days, meaning all cases seem to be from before the mill started idling its operations. For more information, go to www.doh.mn.gov forward slash niosh. Run date: 4/25/2023; Title: Blastomycosis TRT: 50 seconds.
- A 39-year-old man from kingsford, mi named matthew clarence cooley was arrested on march 10th for engaging in child sexually abusive activity, and using a computer in commission of a crime. This followed an undercover operation in alger county where an officer posed as a 15-year-old girl on social media and cooley allegedly communicated with, and traveled to meet her for sexual intercourse. He was arrested on arrival and additional charges were authorized for possession of methamphetamine, found in his vehicle. Cooley is currently on bond awaiting his preliminary hearing in the 93rd district court. Run Date: 4/17/2023, Title: Sexually 2, TRT 33 seconds
- We Start Tonight With William "Billy" Strauss, 34 Of Dagget, Michigan Has Been Sentenced Up To 15 Years In Prison For Possession Of Methamphetamine. Strauss Was Sentenced As A Second Habitual Offender Increasing The Penalty By 50 Percent. Upset Detectives Learned That Strauss Was Receiving The Methamphetamine And Fentanyl Pills Via The United States Mail To His Home In Daggett. On June 13th, 2022 A Package Was Intercepted By U.S. Postal Inspectors Office In Green Bay, Wisconsin. This Lead The Us-Pio To Obtain A Federal Search Warrant For Strauss' Home. Menominee County Prosecuting Attorney Jefferey Rogg States Quote "I'm Very Proud Of The Work Done In This Case By The Dedicated Men And Women Of Upset, In Conjunction With The Usps. Together, We Are Committed To Holding Criminals Accountable For This Kind Of Drug Trafficking, As We Work To Keep Menominee County Safe." End Quote. Run date: 5/19/2023, Title: Meth: TRT: 50 seconds
- We Begin Tonight With Ten Defendants In A Drug Trafficking Case In Michigan Who Have Been Sentenced To Prison, With The Last Defendant Receiving A 51-Month Sentence. The Group Brought Large Quantities Of Methamphetamine, Heroin, And Fentanyl From Detroit To The Upper Peninsula, And Distributed The Drugs On The Hannahville Indian Community And The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. The Bureau Of Indian Affairs, The Drug Enforcement Administration, And Several Other Agencies Investigated The Case. Run Date: 4/13/2023, Title: Drug, TRT: 27

- Michigan Is Set To Ban, "So-Called" Conversion Therapy For Minors After The State Senate Sent The Legislation To Governor Whit-Mer On Tuesday. The Legislation Would Prohibit Mental Health Professionals From Engaging Youths In The Scientifically Discredited Practice Of Trying To Convert People Who Are Lgbtq+ To Hetero-Sexuality And Traditional Gender Expectations. The Michigan Senate Approved The Ban On A 21-15 Vote — With One Republican Siding With Democrats Democratic State Rep. Jason Hoskins, A Sponsor Of The Bill, Told The Press, Quote, "When The Legislation Was First Introduced That Conversion Therapy Works On The False Premise That Lgbtq+ Children Are Wrong And They Need To Be Fixed." End Quote. Democratic Sen. Jeremy Moss, The State's First Openly Gay State Senator, Said On The Chamber's Floor Tuesday."Hearing A Bunch Of Straight People In The Senate Lecture Me About The Journey Of An Lgbtq Person Is The Exact Reason We Should Be Banning Conversion Therapy," End Quote. Run Date: 6/28/2023, Title: Conversion Therapy, TRT: 55 seconds.
- And Silver Creek Church And Silver Creek Thrift Are Partnering With Feeding America West Michigan To Host A Mobile Food Pantry On Thursday, July 13th. The Distribution Of Food Will Begin At 10:00am And Continue Until Supplies Last Or Until 11:30am. Food Will Be Available For Approximately 500 Families.This Will Be A Drive-Thru Event With Directions Given By Parking Lot Attendants. It Is Not Necessary To Bring Any Boxes To This Event.The Food Pantry Is Located At 219 Silver Creek Road In Harvey. Call 906-249-1715 With Any Questions Regarding The Event. Run Date: 6/27/2023, Title: Silver Creek Church, TRT: 30 seconds.
- And During National Crime Victims' Rights Week, Which Promotes Victims' Rights And Services, The Michigan Department Of Corrections Encourages Victims Of A Crime, To Register For The Department's Victim Information Notification System. Mdoc Director, Heidi Washington States, "Registering With The Department's Crime Victims Services Unit, Allows Individuals To Stay Informed On The Status Of The Offender Who Committed The Crime. We Continue To Support The Victims Of Crime And Urge Individuals To Keep Their Contact Information Up To Date For Their Safety And Peace Of Mind." National Crime Victims' Rights Week Runs From April 23-29, 2023. This Year's Selected Theme – Survivor Voices: Elevate. Engage. Effect Change – This Calls On Communities To Amplify The Voices Of Survivors And Commit To Creating An Environment Where Survivors Have The Confidence That They Will Be Heard, Believed, And Supported. Run Date: 4/26/2023, Title: Crime victims survival, TRT: 49 seconds.

Local cultural issues:

- This Memorial Day weekend, our abc 10 reporter Alexis Baumann went to Hancock to experience the only electric boat tour in the upper peninsula. Copper country boat tours take you on board, the dragon fly where you get to relax and enjoy the views portage lake has to offer. Run date: 5/29/2023, Title: Boat Tour, TRT: 2:15.

- WE BEGIN TONIGHT WITH THE CITY OF NEGAUNEE ANNOUNCED THE COMPLETION OF ITS HIGHLY ANTICIPATED BEACH EXPANSION PROJECT ON TEAL LAKE. THEY HELD A RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY YESTERDAY TO CELEBRATE THE PROJECT'S SUCCESSFUL OPENING TO THE PUBLIC. THANKS TO A GENEROUS GRANT OF OVER \$82,000 FROM THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT, THE CITY OF NEGAUNEE COMPLETED MULTIPLE UPGRADES TO THE TEAL LAKE SHORELINE BEACH AREA. THE PROJECT PROVIDED AN ENHANCED BEACH EXPERIENCE FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS WITH NOTABLE UPGRADES, INCLUDING EXPANDING THE SANDY AREA FROM 1000 SQUARE FEET TO 1800 SQUARE FEET, INSTALLING ADA COMPONENTS SUCH AS A PICNIC TABLE, RAMP, AND SO MUCH MORE. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE NEGAUNEE BEACH EXPANSION PROJECT, CONTACT CITY MANAGER NATE HEFFRON AT (906) 475- 7700 EXT. 11. Run date: 6/2/2023, Title: Teal Lake, TRT 44 seconds
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- If you were driving along us 41 today, you may have community service work on teal lake. While they were partnered with the negaunee lions club, they were also getting real life training. Lieutenant Detective Jason Hart Of The Marquette County Sheriff's Office has more details on what the sherrif's diving team was doing on the water... Run Date: 5/10/2023, Title: Sheriff, TRT: 51 seconds
- Now we take a look at the former teal lake medical clinic which is transitioning to The John Kivela Center Of Great Lakes Recovery Centers. This change comes in the hopes of strengthening community based recovery and behavioral healthcare. Greg toutant, ceo of great lakes recovery center held the press conference yesterday to discuss the plans for this opportunity. Run Date: 4/28/2023, Title: Recovery, TRT: 2:22
- Starting today will be the u.p. summer classic hosted by the northern michigan equine association. This event will be at the marquette county fair grounds until sunday.we got to catch up with lisa pelle-grini to learn more about this fun event. Run Date: 6/9/2023, Title:UPHA Horses, TRT: 2:27
- We now go to abc's, alexis baumann. She is bringing coverage of a very aromatic festival happening in the upper peninsula. Run Date: 6/14/2023, Title: Kicker, TRT: 3:06
- And Enjoy Live Music Along The Sidewalks Of Third Street In Downtown Marquette During The First Installment Of Music On Third On June 16th , From 6 P.M. To 8 P.M. The Complete Line-Up Will Be Available On The Marquette Dda Website. Additional Music On Third Events Will Take Place On July 20, August 17, And September 21, All From 6 P.M. To 8 P.M. Come Out And Support Local Musicians While Exploring The Unique Shops And Restaurants On Third Street.Remember, Public Alcohol Consumption On Sidewalks Is Prohibited By State Of Michigan Law. For More Information, Contact The Dda Office At (906) 228-9475 Or Email Mike@Downtownmarquette.Org.
- The Marquette Downtown Development Authority Celebrated The Official Opening Of The Downtown Marquette Social District. Operating From 11 A.M. To 10 P.M., The Social District Includes Participating Bars And Restaurants With On-Premise Liquor Licenses. Visitors Can Purchase Specially Marked Social District Beverages From These Establishments And Enjoy Them Within The Designated Boundaries. The District

Map, Rules, Participating Businesses, And Announcements Can Be Found On The Marquette Dda Website At Downtownmarquette.Org Forward Slash /Social-Districts. The Social District Aims To Enhance The Downtown Atmosphere And Encourage's Exploration Of Downtown Marquette. Visitors Must Be 21 Years Or Older To Participate, And Public Drunkenness Is Prohibited. Run Date: 6/20/2023, Title: Social District, TRT: 41 Seconds.

- Marquette County Habitat For Humanity Will Break Ground On Their 110th Affordable Housing Build On June 1st At 729 Carr St, Negaunee. Since 1992, Habitat Has Been Partnering With Families To Build Homes, Requiring 250 Hours Of Sweat Equity From Families Before Providing An Affordable Mortgage Upon Completion. Volunteers Are Always Needed For New Construction, Home Repairs, And Ramp Installation. If Interested, Contact Habitat At (906) 228-3578 Or Info@Mqthabitat.Org.