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Jan 9-12

24th Vintage World Championship Snowmobile Races, World Championship Derby Complex, Eagle River, WI

Jan 15

Student Financial Aid Information, 5:30pm-7pm in the Computer Lab at the Ontonagon School - Planning on attending college next year? Get help and info Free Application for Financial Student Aid (FAFSA)

Jan 16-19

62nd World Championship Snowmobile Derby, World Championship Derby Complex, Eagle River, WI

Jan 20

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

Feb 1-2

Masters Racing Circuit Snow Bikes Hillclimb, South Range.

Feb 9

NFL Superbowl Sunday, Caesars Superdome in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Feb 14

VALENTINE'S DAY

Feb 22

Annual Firemen's Dinner Fundraiser - Bruce Crossing & Ewen Vol. Fire Depts., Twilly's, Bruce Crossing.

Mar 29

Annual Fundraiser & Gun Banquet for Camp Josh, 5pm-? Cocktails & raffles, 6:30pm, Prime Rib Dinner at The Konteka, White Pine.

Mar 29

Horse Tack & Small Animal Swap, 10am-2pm hosted by Adventure Mountain Horseshow. \$10/seller table for horse tack, equipment, and equestrian apparel. No seller fee to sell small animals. Onto. Co. Fairgrounds, Greenland.

Aug 22-23

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February 3

Feb 24

March 3

Mar 25

April 1



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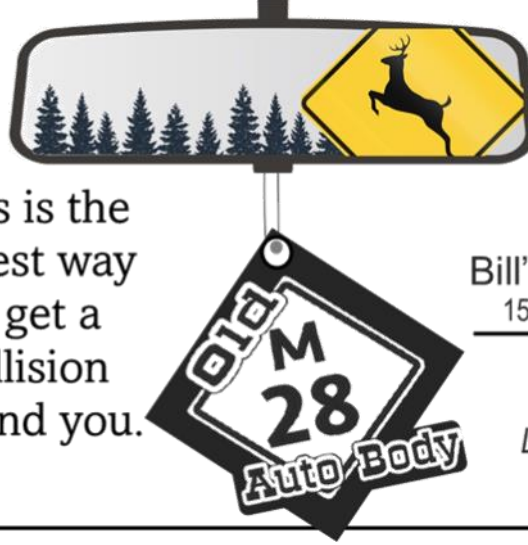
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WHO'S HEATING THE SAUNA?

Kuka lämmittää saunaa?

The Finnish word "sauna" (pronounced sow-nah) translates to "bathhouse." In the early to mid-1900s, Ontonagon County earned the nickname "Sauna Belt" because many homesteads featured a sauna.

If you have an unused sauna (usage as storage does not count!), it's time to fix 'er up, and put a fire going so you can enjoy its numerous health benefits. Heat exposure in a hot sauna induces significant physiological changes. Many studies suggest that it can be as effective as moderate-intensity aerobic exercise, particularly in stimulating the cardiovascular system.

For many Yoopers—both those with and without Finnish heritage—taking an occasional sauna ("going sauna") is a treat or a necessity if your sauna is out at camp. However, it's more common than you might think for local sauna enthusiasts, especially those whose families settled in the area before the 1910s, to partake several times a week.

The tradition of Saturday night saunas in Trout Creek at Grandma Maki's during my childhood in the 1970s and '80s may have faded, but the memories of spending time with family and friends, drinking coffee, and enjoying Grandma's homemade bakery while waiting for your turn in the sauna are just as cherished as the sauna sessions themselves.

SAUNA ETIQUETTE: After your turn in the sauna, refill the bench water pans for the next person, replenish the hot water tank if possible, and maybe add another piece of wood to the stove to keep 'er hot. And for heaven's sake, keep the door closed!



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Applications can be picked up, completed and returned to:
Ontonagon County Sheriff's Office, 620 Conglomerate St., Ontonagon, MI 49953

Applications are due January 16, 2025.

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Ewen-Trout Creek School Coaching Position Vacancy Junior High Girls Volleyball Coach

Interested persons should submit a letter of application to Dave Besonen, ETC Athletic Director, 14312 Airport Rd., Ewen, MI 49925 or by email to dbesonen@etc.k12.mi.us

Deadline to apply: Posted until Filled

Please include your coaching and playing experience. References should include contact information.

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The Ontonagon Area School District has a part time secretary opening for someone who has strong technology and communications skills. The qualified candidate should have a strong ability to work with technology such as website management, complex spreadsheets, and other tools. They should also have strong communication skills with ability to work with people.
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INTERIOR TOWNSHIP TROUT CREEK VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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The SHF receives countless grant requests from nonprofits across the Upper Peninsula asking for AEDs. These lifesaving devices save around 1,700 lives annually in the U.S., yet many organizations in our region still can't afford them.

Right now, SHF provides up to 10 AEDs each year—but this year they are aiming to purchase and distribute 30 AEDs:

Every dollar raised stays in the U.P. and goes directly toward purchasing this critical equipment.

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RETIREMENT NOTICE - Dr. Schott

Kirk R. Schott O.D., has decided to stop doing eye exams effective 12/31/2024. The office will be open on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9am to 4pm (closed for lunch 11:45am to 1:15pm) starting January 7, 2025 through the month.

We will be available to dispense glasses and contacts that were ordered in December, adjust frames and collect balances due on patient accounts. Patient records will be available to pick-up or have faxed to another Optometrist per request.

Dr. Schott made Optometry his life's profession practicing for 44 years. Due to recent health issues, he needs to slow down. He wants to thank all of you, who are his patients, for helping him have a successful office in Ewen for the past 22 years. You're welcome to stop by the office starting January 7th to wish him well.

Thank You

We want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed in any way to help with Wayne's unexpected medical expenses.

Our community's support during times like these is truly unparalleled, and we are deeply thankful.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year!

~ Wayne & Sheryl Olson



NOTICE

Effective December 30, 2024, the USDA's household income guidelines for participating in the supplemental food program has increased. This means more individuals may now qualify.

The new income guidelines are provided here:

Household Size	Annual Income	Monthly Income
1	\$22,590	\$1,883
2	\$30,660	\$2,555
3	\$38,730	\$3,228
4	\$46,800	\$3,900

Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency JANUARY COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM DISTRIBUTION

For qualifying individuals 60 yrs and older. Recipients MUST show ID. Proof of income not needed. Monthly food package contains cheese, milk, canned vegetables, fruit, meat, and cereals. Please return boxes. Program registration info, call: 906-884-2106

Wednesday, Jan 15

9:15am-9:30am Marenisco Town Hall
10am-10:30am Watersmeet Food Pantry
12:30pm-1pm Bruce Crossing Stannard Township Park

Thursday, Jan 16

9:25am-9:40am Bergland Lake Gogebic Sr. Center
10am-10:15am White Pine Township Hall
11am-11:30am Ontonagon Holy Family Catholic Church
12:30pm-1pm Mass City Resource Center

Times are listed in local time zones. Times subject to change.
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Trinity Lutheran Community Church Trout Creek, Michigan

2025 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

January 19	July 20
February 16	August 17
March 16	September 21
April 20 Easter Sunday	October 19
May 18	November 16
June 15	December 24 Christmas Eve Service at 4PM

All services are at 11AM unless noted.

AREA CHURCH SERVICES

Include your church service information here for \$5/month
Payment can be mailed to 15853 St. Collins Rd., Bruce Crossing, MI 49912

BERGLAND

Bergland United Methodist: 11AM Sun. Worship, Pr. Dix. 108 Birch St.
Calvary Baptist: 11AM Sun. Worship, 201 Pine St.

BRUCE CROSSING

Bethany Lutheran (WELS): Sun. 5PM Worship; Wed. 6:30PM Children's Sunday School & Catechism, Pr. Johnson.

Bruce Crossing Apostolic Lutheran Church: 12PM Sun. School, 1PM Worship. Communion 1st Sun.. Pr. Hulkonen. 15121 M-28W.

Bruce Crossing Bible Church: 10AM Sun. School, 11AM Worship. Pr. Pederson. 15089 Maplewood Rd.

COVINGTON

Bethany Lutheran Church: 10:30AM Sun. Worship. Communion 1st & 3rd Sun. 25379 US Hwy 141

Trinity Lutheran: 9AM Sun. Worship. Communion 1st & 3rd Sun. 12677 M-28

EWEN

First Lutheran (ELCA): 11AM Communion Worship 1st, 2nd, 4th Sun., 200 N. Cedar St.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church: 4PM Sun. Worship

GREENLAND

Greenland SDA Church: Worship 10AM Sat., 31369 N Firesteel Rd.

PAYNESVILLE

First Apostolic Lutheran Church: 10:30AM Worship 1st Sun., 2:30PM 3rd Sun.

Our Saviour Lutheran Church (ELCA): 11AM Communion Worship 3rd & 5th Sun., 13980 N. Paynesville Rd.

MASS CITY

St. Paul's Lutheran (ELCA): 10:30AM Sun. Worship w/ Holy Communion, Wed. 4-5PM Bible Adventures & Faith Formation child. 4 yrs +

ONTONAGON

Ontonagon Baptist Sun. Worship 9:45AM, 11AM, and 6PM; Wed. Worship 7PM. Pr. Virgil Ruchti. 615 Greenland Rd.

TROUT CREEK

Calvary Temple AG: 9AM Sun. School, 10AM Sun. Worship. 187 Division St.

Trout Creek Lutheran Community Church: 11AM - 3rd Sun. Worship.

WATTON

Apostolic Lutheran Church: Worship 11AM Sun. Worship, Communion 1st Sun. 11756 Salli Rd.

A Huge Thank You From The St. Nicholas Project

Once again, this community has shown its generosity and support and helped make the season brighter for families in Ontonagon County. This year, 583 total people were helped by the St. Nicholas Project including children, families, and adult foster care. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to all the people, groups, organizations, and businesses who donated. Residents were given food vouchers, gifts, extra toys, books, pajamas, winter coats, hats, socks, mittens, dental kits and a meal at pick up.

As we wrap up the 2024 season, we all feel the warmth of giving and are looking forward to continuing the tradition next year.

The St. Nicholas Project Committee

Support the Snowball Cancer Challenge 2025

Here's an opportunity to support a great cause. Each year the Keller Family Community Foundation (KFCF) hosts the **Snowball Cancer Challenge - Valentine 500**. It's a fundraising event where dozens of snowmobilers come to Ontonagon County in February to ride 500+ miles in one day to raise money for the KFCF. The ride starts and ends in Bergland. Money raised from the ride goes to the KFCF. The KFCF donates the money to several Midwest hospitals (including Hancock, MI) to help cancer patients pay for treatment-related costs not covered by insurance.

Two of Ewen's newest residents, **Chris and Heather Palmer**, have been coming from Illinois to the U.P. for many years to ride in this fundraiser before they decided to make their fulltime home here less than two years ago. They're both planning on riding again with their friends in this year's **Valentine 500**. Each of them aims to raise \$1,000 for the cause. Last year, the group raised a total of \$75,000! You can learn more about the foundation and this event at Snowball-Cancer.org.

Donations of any size to help Chris and Heather meet their individual \$1,000 goals would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be made online at snowball-cancer.org or by scanning the QR codes below. To donate by check, please write the check to "KFCF" and mail to:



Link to Heather's donation page



Link to Chris's donation page

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15853 St. Collins Road
Bruce Crossing, MI 49912

Or call Chris at 847-612-8830 for more information.

ABOUT KFCF: Keller Family Community Foundation (KFCF) is a non-profit organization with 501(3)(c) status based in Richmond, Minnesota. The foundation awards grants to qualified recipients throughout the year.



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Water & Sewer Rates Rising in McMillan Township

The Water and Sewer Systems in McMillan Township, and more specifically in Ewen, were last improved and updated in 1972. This means that some water pipes need to be replaced, the sewer system needs to be upgraded to prevent overloading the lagoons, and the water tower itself needs to be replaced. These improvements are necessary to ensure the safety of the systems, to continue to provide clean water, and to prevent sewage overflows that could become a hazard to the health of Ewen's residents.

The total cost of these improvements is in the range of five million dollars. The Township Board and Staff are working hard to find federal and state grants that will cover the cost of these repairs and upgrades. However, many of the grants cover only a percentage of the cost (anywhere from 50 to 80 percent) and require that the Township has the remainder of the funds on hand or in our long-range planning and projected income.

The result is that our Water and Sewer Rates will be increasing each year for five years. 2022 was year #1. This year (2025) is year #4. Beginning with the bills processed on or about February 1, the Water Rate will increase by \$2 per month and the Sewer Rate will increase by \$5 per month. A full list of Residential, Commercial, and Industrial Water & Sewer Rates, as well as fees for shut-off, turn-on, and new hook-up services, is available at the Township Office.

If you are struggling to pay your utility bills, please, contact the Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency at 906-988-2751 to see if you are eligible for assistance based upon your income and the size of your household.

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INTERIOR TOWNSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE

Interior Township Town Hall
140 Division St., Trout Creek

9 JAN	Master Plan Public Hearing 5:00 PM
13 JAN	Township Board Meeting 6:00 PM
10 FEB	Township Board Meeting 6:00 PM
10 MAR	Township Board Meeting 6:00 PM
14 APR	Township Board Meeting 6:00 PM

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EWEN-TROUT CREEK:
The E-TC Varsity Girls Basketball team is having a winning season so far:

Win Dec. 28 - E-TC 55, Kingsford 26
Loss Dec. 27 - E-TC 30, Negaunee 47
Win Dec. 19 - E-TC 60, Ontonagon 19
Win Dec. 16 - E-TC 69, Bessemer 19

Win Dec. 10 - E-TC 61, Crystal-Forest Park 32
Win Dec. 9 - E-TC 63, Wakefield-Maren. 44
Win Dec. 6 - E-TC 58, Ironwood 35
Win Dec. 3 - E-TC 61, Norway 35

The next two Varsity Girls games are away - Jan. 7 at Lake Linden, Jan. 9 at Hancock
The next E-TC Varsity Boys Basketball game is Jan. 9 at Lake Linden.

PICTURED BELOW:
Negaunee's Aubrey Johnson zips down the court after stealing the ball from E-TCs Besonen sisters' attempted handoff pass. Aubrey and her sister are both starter standouts on Negaunee's Varsity Basketball team and are the daughters of former E-TC Panther baller Aaron Johnson, and the granddaughters of former Bruce Crossing residents John and Hazel (Pouttu) Johnson .



PICTURED HERE: E-TC students having fun during recess making a long line of snow angels on the playground.



PICTURED HERE: E-TC elementary students performing in the annual Christmas K-12 Program.



ONTONAGON: The next two Onto. Varsity Girls games are Jan. 7 against Jeffers, and Jan. 10 at Chassell. The team's results so far this season are:
Loss Dec. 19 - Ontonagon 19, E-TC 60 Win Dec. 9 - Ontonagon 65, Watersmeet 16
Loss Dec. 5 - Ontonagon 21, Hancock 46 Loss Dec. 3 - Ontonagon 32, Bessemer 20



PICTURED ON LEFT: Ontonagon School's National Honor Society welcomed five new members during a ceremony held at the school on December 17.

PICTURED ON RIGHT: Ontonagon students performing during their December 21 Christmas Concert.



WATERSMEET: The elementary basketball teams kicked off their scrimmage season December 16.
The next Watersmeet Nimrod Varsity Girls Basketball games Jan. 7 at home against Dollar Bay and Jan. 10 at Baraga.
The Nimrods' results so far this season are:
Loss Dec. 19 - Watersmeet 20, L'Anse 82
Win Dec. 9 - Watersmeet 16, Ontonagon 65



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FREDERICK JOUSMA

Our father, **Frederick Jousma** of Ewen, passed away on December 21, after battling cancer for several years. He was preceded in death by his parents Jack and Dorothy Jousma of Grand Rapids, MI. He is survived by two brothers, John Jousma of Alto, MI and Don Jousma of Grand Rapids, MI. Also surviving are his three daughters, Gayle (Evan) Sironen of Ewen, MI, Rae (John) Volkmann of Phelps, WI, and Angela (Bill) Kuhn of Boyne City, MI. Fred had 6 grandchildren, Carolyn (Mike) Kerkela, Emily Vukusich, Jenny (Dorian) Bell and Laura (Mitch) Napralla, Megan Volkman and Bryce Volkman. He also had 10 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his special fishing buddy, Roger Brady of Bruce Crossing, and former spouse and lifelong friend Ann Jousma Miller.

Fred was a hardworking man and held many jobs throughout his life. At a young age, he helped his uncles with farm work and drove a truck route that picked up milk in cans from the local dairy farmers. He worked at the Steelcase manufacturing plant in Grand Rapids but didn't care for that type of work and chose to be a farmer instead. He raised beef cattle and crops on the family farm in Alto, MI before moving his family to the UP in 1973 to run a dairy farm near Bruce Crossing. During his dairy farming years, he helped other local farmers fill their silos and lent equipment when others needed help. He milked cows until 1982. Dad also loved being on bowling leagues at the alley in Bruce Crossing. He had many friends from his bowling league days. He also volunteered for the Bruce Crossing Fire Department for many years. Our dad loved snowmobiling and at one time belonged to a local snowmobile club. For many years he enjoyed going to the races in Eagle River, WI. After retiring from farming, he hauled logs for Midwest Timber and then drove a tanker truck for Cargo Transport hauling fuel from Green Bay, WI to the western UP.

Dad was an Air Force Veteran, serving his country from 1962 - 1965. Trained as a cryogenic specialist, he was deployed to the Johnston Atoll in the South Pacific where he made liquid oxygen. He was a member of the American Legion. Our father loved the outdoors and spent many happy days fishing the local lakes and rivers. He also made many fishing trips up to Canada where he was known to be the first boat out on the water in the morning and the last boat in at night! Dad loved deer season when his brothers John and Don Jousma and nephew Nick Jousma would come and hunt with him. His living room was full of beautiful antler mounts from big bucks that he had taken over his lifetime. Dad was also a big dog lover, having a loyal canine companion almost all of his life. He favored beagles, bird dogs and labs. He also loved feeding the birds and had a huge feeder just outside the living room window where he could watch the deer, turkeys and other wildlife from his recliner.

Fred will be sorely missed by his family and his community. A gathering of family and friends was held Saturday, December 28, 2024 at Cane Funeral Home-Bruce Crossing Chapel. Those who wish may donate to Sonco Ambulance.



OBITUARY

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN 32ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY PROBATE ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION **CASE NO.: 2024-000069-CH**

Court address: 725 Greenland Road Ontonagon, MI 49953

Court telephone no: 906-884-2865

Plaintiff name(s), address(es), and telephone no(s):

Roy H. Allen and Beth J. Allen, Husband and wife
78 National Ave., Rockland, MI 49960, 906-886-2874

v *Defendant name(s), address(es), and telephone no(s):*

Ingebar Fredrickson, deceased and Myrtle Fredrickson, deceased, and their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns

Plaintiff's attorney, bar no., address, and telephone no:

Robert E. Peterson (P79934) 201 River St., Ontonagon, MI 49953, (906) 884-2199

TO: Ingebar Fredrickson, Myrtle Fredrickson, and their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns.

IT IS ORDERED: 1. You are being sued in this court by the plaintiff to Quiet Title. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before January 31, 2025. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case. 2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in Ontonagon Herald and Ottawa Shopper for three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court. 3. Plaintiffs or their counsel shall post a copy of this order in the courthouse, and at Rockland Grocery Store, Rockland, Michigan and Rockland Post Office, Rockland, Michigan for three continuous weeks, and shall file proof of posting in this court.

Ordered and Filed Date: December 5, 2024 *Judge:* Janis M. Burgess Bar no: P30253

Publish: 01/06/25, 02/01/25



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AS HEARD FROM A LITTLE BIRD

S. Ontonagon Co.: On the evening of December 25, Lake Superior Lodge #67 held a surprise Christmas light contest. The areas of Ewen, Bruce Crossing, Paulding, Trout Creek, and some main side roads were traveled: 1st place Matt Ellsworth \$100, 2nd place Chris Caudill \$75, 3rd place Dianne Hardes \$50, and 4th place Larry Maki \$25.

BRUCE CROSSING: Demolition of the old Tulppo's restaurant and motel buildings at the intersection of M28 and US45 is nearly complete. The demolition includes the home adjacent to the property which is the former residence of Miss Vivian Moore. Miss Moore received her teaching certificate from Northern Normal (now NMU) and then taught grades K-8 at School in 1922, and then at Trout Creek for 12 years, followed by Paynesville for 28 years before retiring in 1966. The current owner of the property has no plans for developing the lot at this time.



TROUT CREEK: Shared from www.interiortownship.com on 1/3/2025:

Welcome Supervisor Nikki Laitala and trustee Kris Pelkola - Congratulations to our new Supervisor, Nikki Laitala, and new trustee, Kris Pelkola. Nikki grew up here, graduated from Mich Tech, enjoying a career in engineering before moving back to Trout Creek. Kris is a lifelong area resident and enjoys the outdoors with his dogs, Ace & Bear. Welcome back to Clerk, Wade Boan, Treasurer Melanie Pelkola and Trustee Paul Besonen. Welcome Stacey Pizardi who has been appointed to the Planning Commission.

RESULTS FROM MARCH 2023 REQUEST FOR FUTURE TULPPO'S LOT USE IDEAS

Ottawa Shopper readers may recall when you were asked in March 2023 to share your ideas for how the future vacant Tulppo's lot should be used. More than 90 readers, mostly from the Bruce Crossing, Ewen, and Trout Creek areas, were quick to mail their suggestions to the *Ottawa Shopper* within 7 days. The two most VERY popular suggestions were a motel or a Kwik Trip gas station/convenience store. Other suggestions with multiple people in agreement included: car wash, pharmacy, laundromat, apartments, farmer's market store, barber shop, butcher shop, coffee shop, sandwich shop, EV charging station, public amenities (pool, sauna, gym), and more!

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