

# LaVake Takes First in State P-P-K Contest

## St. Ignace Athlete Top in Age Division



Morgan LaVake, daughter of Samantha and Darren LaVake, became the first athlete from St. Ignace to capture first place during the statewide NFL Punt-Pass-Kick contest. The 23rd annual event took place before the Detroit Lions game against the Cleveland Browns at Ford Field Sunday, November 22. The eighth grade student at the St. Ignace Middle School recorded 213'1" to outdistance the runner-up competitor with 187'10" in the 12-13 girls' age division. (LaVake family photograph)

# St. Ignace Firehawks Win Kalamazoo Tournament



The St. Ignace Firehawks Midget A hockey team won the Kalamazoo Cup Tournament with three wins and one tie Friday, November 27, through Sunday, November 29, in Kalamazoo. Cody Therrian of St. Ignace was named Firehawks tournament most valuable player. Team members are (not in order) Ben Damron, Chris Dumas, James Goudreau, Zach Harrington, Ryan Marshall, Ben Paul, Caleb Radtke, Patrick Sweeney, and Cody Therrian, all of St. Ignace, Tyler Goetz, Matt Hansen, Anthony Laaksonen, and Quinton Myotte, all of Sault Ste. Marie, Andrew Plomer of Gould City, Tom Robbins of Newberry, Zach Sobek of Rogers City, Brennon Wachter of Cheboygan, and coaches Matthew Parker, Kyle Stabile, William Soden, and Joseph Esson, all of Sault Ste. Marie. (Photograph courtesy of Kathy Marshall)

# Sault Naturalists Meeting Will Feature Photographer Kirk Zufelt

The Sault Naturalists meeting Tuesday, December 8, will feature a program by nature photographer Kirk Zufelt and voting for three winners of the club's Nature Photography Contest. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. at Central United Methodist Church in Sault Ste. Marie. The meeting is open to the public.

In addition to the display of contest entries and selection of winners, Dr. Zufelt will present a program about the artistic and technical aspects of bird and nature photography. He has traveled widely while photographing more than 400 species of birds around North America. His photographs have been published in *Birding* and *North American Birds* and have appeared as covers on *Michigan Birds*, *Natural History*,

and the *Forestry Chronicle*. More information about the naturalists' group is available from John Lehman at 635-5095.

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# Embroidery Guild Meets December 9

The Northern Michigan Chapter of the Embroiderers Guild of America will meet Wednesday, December 9, at 11 a.m. in the Episcopal Transfiguration Church in Indian River, on M-68. This is the guild's annual Christmas luncheon with potluck and silent auction.

Kay Lefresne of the guild said she'd particularly like to invite Straits area and EUP residents to attend, as the group formerly had several members from this area and some have expressed an interest in rejoining the group. All are welcome.

For further information, call Emily at (231) 525-8491.



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# Saints Receive Academic All-State Honors



The St. Ignace Saints girls cross country team of (from left) Heather Beaudoin, Samantha Radecki, Chelsea Swope, Nicole Elmlad, Kristen Olsen, Lauren Goldthorpe, and Sarah Cullip registered a combined grade point average of 3.856 for academic all-state honors that ranked the seven girls as the number one team in Division 2. Each runner received a certificate for her efforts in the classroom.

## St. Ignace Bowling League Results

**Bluewater League**  
News Crew 52, Mackinac Trolley 43, Gateway Lanes 41, Northern Bells 40, Gerry's Beauty Shop 38, Bessie's Pasties 34, Apollo Home Mortgage 31-1/2,

Quality Inn 28-1/2.  
HTG: Mackinaw Trolley 640; HTS: Gateway Lanes 1856; HIG: Lois Hamel 219; HIS: Wendy Colegrove 550.  
200s: Lois Hamel 219, Angie Kinney 213.  
500s: Wendy Colegrove 550, Terri Allan 549, Angie Kinney 515.  
Splits: Marj Soderlund 3-10, Jan Nye 3-10, 4-5-7.

## Rexton-Garnet

By Linda Livermore  
595-7283



Thanksgiving 2009 is just a memory, and a good one it was, with good food, friends, and family coming and going. Even the weather cooperated.

Home from college for the Thanksgiving holiday were Jamie Maison and Brenda Albrecht from Northern Michigan University, Shannon Browning from Ferris State University, Tristina Browning from North Central Michigan College, Desi Derusha from Central Michigan University, Derrek, David,

and Devon Derusha from Delta Community College, and Lindsey and Ronnie Weger from Bay de Noc Community College in Escanaba.

Pastor Tim Miller and family joined his daughters, Jessica and Andrea, in Indiana for Thanksgiving.

Putting another leaf in the dining room table, we enjoyed the holiday with our children who are close by and our son, Andy, who traveled north from Grand Rapids.

Birthday wishes to Mike Ker-

ridge November 30, Nathan Livermore and Josie Fosdick December 1, Lynn Moore December 3, and my nephew, Daryl Browning, December 4.

Best wishes to Larry and Cindy Niskala, who celebrated their wedding anniversary November 29.

The "Hart hotel" was filled to capacity over the Thanksgiving holiday, bringing an extra twinkle to the eyes of Bud and Mary.

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