

## Kruger heading to Michigan Tech

By Sandy Kriger

Nathan Kriger, son of Leonard and Jennie Kriger, and grandson of Richard Edstrom and Ken and Sandy Kriger, has selected Michigan Technological University as his college football choice.

Nathan's sister Meagan is a senior at Grand Valley State University, and his brother Hunter attends Fruitport High School. Nathan has played football since he was five years old, and fell in love with the sport right from the start. He is looking forward to the opportunity for a good education as well a successful college football career. He will be studying ecology and exercise science. He will be reporting to the campus on August 13.

We wish him the best of luck. •



Nathan Kriger (left) with his father Leonard (right) and Fruitport Football Coach Vargas. (1-1)



## Local grad returns to area

By FAN staff

Congratulations to Fruitport High School alumnus, class of 2007, Dr. Eric Heisser, D.D.S.

Eric is a graduate of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry. He is excited to return to the area after eight years in Ann Arbor, Michigan, to serve his community. He will be joining Dr. Carl Vertregt at Port City Dental, 1848 E. Sherman Blvd. •

## An artist's task

By Reverend William Randall

Gifts from God are bestowed as He sees fit. Sometimes gifts are clearly recognized by the recipient; other times they seem to be developed, and the results are unexpected. I'll share my artistic journey. From childhood I liked to doodle, and even in adulthood I enjoyed making posters, but I had no artistic training.

My wife, Avis, was signing up for a class with Orchard View Adult Education and didn't wish to go alone. She pressured me to sign up for something, so I signed up for painting. At that time, I was 58 years old. After taking a few classes, in 1989 when I became 60 years of age, I began to take art classes at Muskegon Community College. This continued for several years.

After I had entered juried shows and had four one-man shows, I asked an instructor if I could consider myself to be an artist. He assured me that I was an artist, so I continue to use my God-given abilities and call myself an artist.

The creation of art gives me a sense of satisfaction. Others have appreciated my work. It is on the walls of homes and is in public places. One satisfaction is to try to capture scenes of nature that God has made. The following poem I wrote explains the procedure of putting it on canvas.

### The Artist Remembers

Nature's scene is worth remembering,  
The colors are bright and crisp.  
The shapes are sharp and bold,  
The shadows blend while receding,  
The scene cries out for an artist.

The artist observes from many angles.  
He gives attention to the source of light.  
The balance of shapes is questioned.  
The focal point must be found.  
The decision to paint is made.

Necessary materials are then assembled.  
A proper vantage point is found.  
A preliminary sketch is quickly made,  
A moment to pause is in order  
The time has come to begin.

The easel and canvas are set in place.  
The paint begins to freely flow.  
The scene develops with life-like hues.  
At last the final touches are made.  
Nature's scene will be long remembered.

Some of my paintings are not representational but are abstractions. In them I enjoy and use the beautiful colors God has made. •

## Leaders in vision offer new laser cataract surgery

(Submitted by Shoreline Vision)

The surgeons at Shoreline Vision, the first and only practice in West Michigan to offer cataract surgery in a private eye surgery center, are now performing laser assisted, bladeless cataract surgery. The LenSx laser

from Alcon is a computer-controlled, femtosecond laser, which delivers more precision than traditional cataract surgery. High definition imaging enables the surgeon to customize each patient's surgical treatment to the distinctive anatomy of his or her eyes.

Customized cataract surgery involves the use of special advanced technology lens implants and techniques, which have been very successful in helping

people reduce or eliminate their dependency on glasses both for distance, as well as the need for reading glasses. Shoreline Vision surgeons have performed thousands of these procedures.

# 84 REASONS TO BUY RED

GET 0 INTEREST FOR UP TO 84 MONTHS\*



Offer good on all Mahindra eMax Tractors. Shown, eMax 22.

Large selection of Mahindra tractors & implements in stock

**Burnips**  
EQUIPMENT Co.

7353 State Rd  
Coopersville, MI 49404  
616.997.9190  
burnips.com



**Mahindra**  
Rise.

\* With approved credit. Program restrictions may apply. See dealer for details.

Offer expires June 30, 2015.

## GARDEN

Donations needed



**TAKE THE PLEDGE**  
PLANT A ROW

Pledge to plant a row in your garden this season. Register at [www.OttawaFood.org](http://www.OttawaFood.org)

- Grow
- Harvest
- Bag
- Give

Plant a Row for the Hungry, coordinated locally by the Ottawa County Food Policy Council, is a program for gardeners to donate a designated row of their garden to food banks and soup kitchens.

Plant a Row for the Hungry

[www.OttawaFood.org/plant-a-row](http://www.OttawaFood.org/plant-a-row) or call (616) 393-5799

**Gardeners needed:** Plant a Row for the Hungry, coordinated locally by the OCFPC, is a program for gardeners to donate a designated row of their garden to food banks and soup kitchens. Gardeners grow produce as they have in the past; and when they harvest, at various points in the growing season, they bag up the designated produce and bring it to a local food resource center. Pledge to Plant a Row for the Hungry and find participating locations at [www.OttawaFood.org/plant-a-row](http://www.OttawaFood.org/plant-a-row) or call (616) 393-5799. "According to the Feeding America Ottawa County Hunger Study, 60% of pantries said fresh fruits and vegetables are too expensive to purchase. The Plant a Row program is a way for pantries to get fresh, locally grown produce at NO cost" said Amy Sheele, Health Educator at Ottawa County