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Village of Newberry is short on staff

By Carol Stiffler

The Village of Newberry is currently operating while quite short on staff.

Former Village Manager Jennifer James-Mesloh resigned in October. Assistant Village Manager and Director of Public Works Buck Vallad resigned in November. Treasurer Buzz Medelis resigned effective December 31, 2019. The village hasn't had a full-time Water and Light supervisor since Matt Perry retired in 2018. And three council members - Sharon Brown, Harold Dishaw, and Lew Hitts - resigned in November.

Prior to these resignations, it was quite the norm to hear of a resignation on the council, and a subsequent appointment.

Interim Village Manager Allison Watkins, originally hired to manage human resources and community engagement, is now handling both jobs. The work is getting done, she said. The remaining staff reports to work each day, regardless. "They're still here," Watkins said. "They do what they're supposed to do."

To fill the supervisor positions, Watkins plans to hire internally. That's acceptable for Public Works and Water and Light, which are not positions that must be publicly posted. The duties of the assistant manager will be absorbed by other staff members. And Watkins is hopeful that the village council will agree to allow the next treasurer to be appointed, rather than elected.

The treasurer position is busy during the summer tax season, but isn't full enough to require a full-time position, Watkins said.

That's a move the council will consider, and is supported by Village Council President Lori Stokes.

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Carol Stiffler

T.J. Blakely, above, now owns Eric's Septic Service, a business started by his late best friend, Eric Auttersen. Blakely used funds from the Luce County Economic Development Corporation to purchase the business.

If you have a dream The Luce County EDC can help

By Carol Stiffler

Imagine the intersection of M-123 and M-28 without a functioning Pickleman's Pantry.

Imagine Newberry without The Newberry News. Or Duke's Sports Shop. Try Helmer without Moose du Nord.

The fact is, Newberry and its outlying regions look a lot more like itself because of behind-the-scenes financing from the Luce County Economic Development Corporation. Each of the businesses mentioned above are currently in operation because they received a loan from the EDC when they most recently sold to new owners.

Tammy Henry, executive director of the Luce County EDC, says her corporation has given nine new loans that saved or created 62 local jobs. In addition to writing loans, the EDC can help set budgets, draft business plans, and streamline operations for maximum profitability. Those services are free.

"Our mission is to save businesses, create jobs, and grow the area," said Henry, who has led the EDC for four years. She's spent 30 years running businesses and working with customers and is currently serving as board chair for the Newberry Area Chamber of Commerce. Henry sees opportunity all over



Carol Stiffler

T.J. Blakely runs a snake down clogged the main drain line of a Newberry home on Monday, December 9.

the place. The high-speed internet running from end to end of Newberry is ideal for a technology company, she thinks. The vacant Falls Hotel building would make a great bakery, cafe, and hospitality training center. The land adjacent to the EDC could house a gym with condos above it.

"What have you been passionate about? What have you wanted to do?" she asks. "If you have a dream, start now."

Henry actively pursues new businesses and encourages entrepreneurs to launch here. Sometimes it doesn't pan out, but she never gives up.

When the business details do work out, the EDC can move speedily to get them up and running. Clients and potential business owners who need additional funding can see money in their bank account quickly - sometimes within 30 days of submitting a completed business plan.

That's similar to what T.J. Blakely experienced when he purchased Eric's Septic Service. He got the idea to buy the company in January of 2018. By March 2018, he had a \$50,000 loan from the EDC and ownership of the business.

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Snowy owl rescued on Drummond Island



Julie Plont

By Carol Stiffler

On Thursday, December 5, Dr. Dick Bennett came across Julie Plont's vehicle stopped in the road and assumed she was having car trouble. The Drummond Island veterinarian pulled over to help, and then saw why she'd stopped.

A rare snowy owl was standing still in the middle of the lane, pristine white on the wintery road.

Dr. Bennett knew something was wrong.

"I said, 'Julie, that bird is sick,'" he said. "I'd better get my hands on him and find out what needs to be done."

Plont, a full-time island resident, took pictures while Dr. Bennett approached the owl. It tried to walk toward the woods, but didn't make it more than 20 feet before Dr. Bennett caught it. It was a female, in beautiful shape, but completely exhausted. "She fell asleep in my arms," he said.

"I think she knows she hit the jackpot," Plont said. "She did not struggle one bit once Doc got hold of her, or as we were wrapping her in the sheet and putting her in the box."

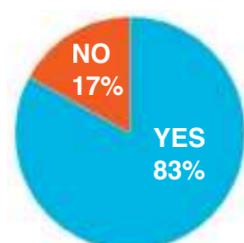
Dr. Bennett believes the owl was migrating from the Arctic and was dehydrated, malnourished, and fatigued. He took her home, placed her in a large dog crate with a view out his sliding glass door, and sent out a call for help.

"I just put the call out to the Drummond Island people," he said. "I said 'I need See OWL, page 2

You voted

At present, Luce County does not have an animal shelter. Pet Pals has been raising funds and preparing a shelter building, but it needs funding in order to be operational.

We asked on Facebook: Would you vote for a small millage to support an animal shelter in Luce County? With 411 votes, you said:



Christmas Parade starts holiday celebrations

By Sterling McGinn

The Newberry Merry Christmas Celebration featuring a parade, community dinner, and tree lighting was held Wednesday, December 4.

The Hometown Country Christmas themed parade started at 5:00 p.m. and headed south on Newberry Avenue bringing Santa to the American Legion. Seven floats, fire trucks and other vehicles entered in the parade.

Three walking units - the American Legion Post #74 Color Guard, Newberry High School Band, and Scouts BSA - participated. Parade float winners included the



Steve Stiffler

The Newberry Fire Department dazzled parade goers with their festive truck.

Newberry Fire Department, Elks Lodge #1705, and First Baptist Church. The parade is coordi-

nated by the Village of Newberry, and was started three years ago during the 60th anniversary of the

Newberry Christmas bells. Following the parade, the annual Community Christmas Dinner spon-

sored by the LINK took place in the American Legion hall. The community Christmas tree in front of the legion building was lit prior to the dinner.

According to LINK director Mary Archambeau, 400 people were served a free dinner, and 520 children received a present from Santa. Children were able to give Santa their Christmas wishes and get a photo taken with him. The community dinner was first held more than 20 years ago. "Everyone working together makes a wonderful evening," said Archambeau.



OWL, continued

mice.' They responded; immediately I had mice."

The owl, whom Dr. Bennett did not name, ate like a horse. She consumed about six dead mice and some smelt he thawed from his freezer. She quickly started to feel better, getting so active in her cage that his wife closed the blinds so the bird could no longer see the squirrels outside.

"This bird is in great condition feather wise, just thin muscularly," he said.

Snowy owls are magnificent birds, said Dr. Bennett, which are surprisingly lightweight for their large size. And the stunning yellow eyes are piercing.

"Those eyes just get you," he said. "They are something else."

She'll be fine, Dr. Bennett said. On Sunday, he drove her to Grand Rapids, transferring her into the care of friends of his that run the Wildlife Rehab Center there. He is sure the owl will gain back her weight and strength. The rehab center reports the owl is doing well, gaining weight and that she seems happy. When she's ready, she will be returned to Drummond Island and released into the wild.

That makes this a happy story, which is not always the case when dealing with wildlife.

"You get lifted to the heights, and go right down to the bottom," Bennett said. "That's wildlife."

Bennett has had his hands on "just about every weird animal there ever was," he said, during his long tenure as a veterinarian. He describes the job as his "everything" - a hobby, a passion, an avocation.

He's technically retired now, though he runs the Drummond Island Animal Clinic



Julie Plont



Mike Ogden

Dr. Dick Bennett of Drummond Island rescued this female snowy owl on Thursday, December 5. The bird was migrating, he said, and simply ran out of steam. Bennett and his wife, Debra, briefly kept the owl in a dog cage in their home before transporting it to a wildlife rehab center in Grand Rapids.

with his wife, Debra, because the island residents need it.

If anyone else comes across such a magnificent bird in critical need of help, Bennett advises staying clear of the talons.

"Those talons, if they sink into you, it will take three people to pry them off you," he said.

Get the bird's legs safely held, then put

it in a dark box and promptly take it to a vet or wildlife rescue center. Wild birds should never be kept as pets or forced to live in cages, he said, because they would be very unhappy living that way.

Plont, who first came across the owl, posted her photos on Facebook and watched it go viral. Her original photos have been shared and "liked" thousands of times. The story has even been in the

news in metro Detroit.

What amazes Plont even more, though, is how she and Dr. Bennett managed to be at the same place at the same time, when it was out of the ordinary for both of them. She was running late after her car wouldn't start; he was headed back to town to pick up supplies.

"The experience has been nothing short of amazing," Plont said.

DREAM, continued

Blakely was traveling the country working on underground electric lines when he heard about the business opportunity. It was personal - Eric Auttersen, who started the business after graduating from high school in 2007, was Blakely's best friend, so close he was practically family. Auttersen died in an auto accident in 2008. The business sold to other owners, but 10 years later, it was back up for sale.

"I don't know what came over me," he said. "I didn't have any money or anything."

He approached two banks for a business loan and was rejected. His uncle recommended he try the EDC. "They didn't really bat an eye," he said. "It was really easy to work with the EDC."

Business has been good. Blakely works year-round to empty septic tanks and clear clogged drain lines.

"Once you get past the fact that you're working with poop, it's not so bad," he said.

Blakely works locally and in the surrounding region, with 25-30 percent of his business coming from Newberry customers with persistent tree roots that clog their main drains.

He says he often wonders what Auttersen would think of him running the business. "I think he would be proud," Blakely said. "I hope I can bring the business to where he would have had it by now."

Thanks to the EDC, Blakely's dream is being fulfilled. Do you have a dream for the Newberry area? The EDC can help.



Carol Stiffler

Bob Powell's Snow Report

NOAA Weather Spotter Bob Powell of Newberry keeps record of the daily weather and snowfall. In October, he recorded 2.7 inches of snow; 57 inches in November.

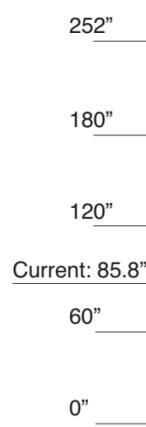
Through December 9, Powell says Newberry received an additional 25.6 inches of snow. That's the highest total he's seen since he began taking records in 2002. Here's how that stacks up:

Month	2017	2018	2019
Oct.	2.5	6.0	2.7
Nov.	28.4	43.1	57.5
Dec.*	11.7	14.9	25.6
Total	42.6"	63.9"	85.8"

*to date

He's predicting 252 inches this winter - stay tuned.

Bob's quote of the week: Snow is defined as an "atmospheric water vapor frozen into ice crystals and falling in light white flakes or lying on the ground as a white layer."



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VACANCY, continued

"Filling the position would no longer rely on popularity but rather a person's skills," Stokes said. "Experience and knowledge can be taken into consideration."

One village council seat was filled by the appointment of Kip Cameron at the November 20 meeting, and the other two will likely be filled at the December 18 meeting. Stokes said she has three letters of interest for the two seats and she is hopeful the council will appoint two.

Stokes believes those council resignations were

pointed at her.

"I believe the recent vacancies were a direct result of the trustees that resigned not agreeing with my leadership," she said. "Their loyalties were invested in the past administration."

With all the open administration positions the village currently sees, Stokes believes it's a good time to restructure.

"I had a big concern of how top heavy our staff was getting," she said. "Now I hope we can take a serious look at the real needs and how many people we have sitting at the desks versus feet on the ground."

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Wing Wednesday - December 11th
Taco Tuesday - December 17th

Newberry week at a glance

Thursday, December 12

—Canceled: Diabetic Support Group meeting. Meetings will resume in the spring.
—T.O.P.S. Meeting – 10 a.m. St. Gregory’s Catholic Church. Weigh in from 9 – 10 a.m. with meeting to follow. Minimal cost. Men, women and teens welcome.
—Order of the Eastern Star Luce Chapter meeting; 4:30 p.m. at the Newberry Masonic Temple. Members should bring a gift for the annual donation

to the Family Independence Agency and money for the Christmas Vesper service collection.
—American Legion Post 74 meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the legion.
—Tahquamenon Area Senior Citizens meeting at noon; potluck lunch served first.
—Euchre at the American Legion; 6 p.m.; minimal entry fee.

Saturday, December 14

—Miracle on Newberry Avenue Vendor Show

Monday, December 16
—Lions Club meeting at the Zellar’s Village Inn; 6 p.m.

—Luce-West Mackinac County Fair Board meeting; 6pm in the basement of the Newberry Community Building, 405 Newberry Avenue
—Newberry Village Council meeting; 6 p.m. at the village office.

Tuesday, December 17

—Library Advisory Board meeting at the

Tahquamenon Library, 6:15 p.m.
—Great Lakes Recovery Center Peer Support meeting; 6:30 – 8 p.m. Call 293-1622 for more information.

Thursday, December 19

—Newberry Correctional Facility Community Liaison Committee meeting will be held at 3 p.m. in the James. W. MacMeekin Training Center at the Newberry Correctional Facility. All members of the public are welcome.

Curtis Lions Club brunch this Sunday

by **Kayleigh Petrie**

The Manistique Lakes Lions Brunch will hold their monthly brunch on Sunday, December 15 from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the Curtis Community Building. The meal costs \$6 per person, with children ages 6 and under free. Community members who attend the brunch will be offered pancakes, eggs cooked to order, sausage, and potatoes, along with coffee, water, and orange

juice. Though this is a monthly event, December’s brunch is extra special because Santa will be attending. Each child in attendance can visit with Santa and take a picture with him. Each child will receive a gift. There is no extra charge for children to visit with Santa. Brunch with Santa has been a long-standing tradition of the Manistique Lakes Lions Club.

Read all about it

By Dion Mindykowski
I have received a request to put some suggestions for winter reading in this column. I’d like to know what you, the Tahquamenon Library readers have liked so far this fall/winter season. Feel free to visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/tahquamenonlibrary, or email your recommendations to tahquamirc@gmail.com. I will compile all of your suggestions and put them in next week’s column.

In the meantime, if you are looking for books to checkout before the next snow storm arrives, be sure to visit our New York Times Bestseller display. These are some of the most read and most talked about books in the country right now, in both fiction and non-fiction. We purchase the top 15 of each list so that you have access to what is popular right now. If a book is on the list, but not on the display, it means it’s either checked out, or currently on order.

Either way, please speak with library staff to get your name added to the wait list. Also, we have a staff recommendation section. Each Tahquamenon Library staff member shares some of their personal favorites. This display changes often, as each time a recommendation is checked out, it is replaced with a new one. If you find one book you like that is chosen by a particular staff member, there is a good chance you’ll like their next recommendation too.



With help from youth and adults supported by Thrivent Action Teams, volunteers filled 42 Samaritan’s Purse Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts at last month’s First Presbyterian Church community meal. Pictured back row, left to right: Marge Rovenko, Cheryl Powell, Teawna Wright, Jackie Roach. Front row: Clarie Christiansen, David Wright, Ariel Wright, Sailor Raymond.

4-H Updates

Bake Sale

This Friday, December 13, Luce County 4-H is holding a bake sale to raise funds for 4-H participation fee scholarships. The sale is being held at both Mac’s Market and Rahilly’s IGA from 3-6 pm. Stop into your favorite grocery store to pick up some good-

ies and support local youth programming. Families that participate in 4-H are encouraged to help bake or volunteer for working the sale. For more information about this event, or any of the others listed here, please contact 4-H Program Coordinator, Jessica Price at 906-293-3203.

Curtis week at a glance

Wednesday, December 11

—The Curtis Quilt Club meets at Curtis Library from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. For additional information, call Linda at 586-9411.
—A yoga class will be held at the Erickson at 10:00 a.m. No pre-registration is necessary. There is a fee for this class.

—Marcy’s Pantry the Curtis Food Pantry will open from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Call 586-9525 for more information.

—The Curtis Library Reading Program will be held at 11:00 a.m. Children of all ages are welcome. This is the last Reading Time of the year. The program will recommence on Tuesday, January 14 at 11:00 a.m.

—The Lions Club will hold their monthly brunch at the Community Building from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Santa will be at this month’s brunch for children to come visit with.

Monday, December 16

—A yoga class will be held at the Erickson at 10:00 a.m. No pre-registration is necessary. There is a fee for this class.

—The Curtis Library will hold a book discussion at 1:00 p.m. on *Girl Waits with Gun* by Amy Stewart. Everyone is welcome.

Contact the Curtis correspondent, Kayleigh Petrie, at kayleighpetrie@yahoo.com with items for “Curtis Week at a Glance.”

Thursday, December 12

Sunday, December 15

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OBITUARY

Mary Elizabeth Williams

Mary Elizabeth Williams, age 81, of Gladstone passed away on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at Lake-View Assisted Living in Gladstone.

Mary was born March 6, 1938 in Gould City, Michigan, the daughter of Amos and Ida (Cassidy) McCallum. She was united in marriage to Pete Williams at St Mary's Church in Spring Lake, Michigan. She was a member of All Saints Catholic Church and served on the luncheon committees. She worked as bookkeeper for numerous businesses that included the Delta Reporter. She was a member of Home Extension and various bridge clubs and enjoyed bowling, gardening, her flowers and was a loving grandmother.



Mary is survived by her husband, Pete of Gladstone; children, Carol Jean (Duane) Kinnart of Gladstone, David (Paulette) Williams of Escanaba, Robert (Tonya) Williams of Hyde, Julianna (Andy) Rigling of Ne-gaunee, Richard (Mary Beth) Williams of Escanaba and Douglas (Cecilia) Williams of Rochester, MI; 12 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren; brothers, Byron (Pat), Neil (Judy), Kenneth (Carolyn), Jim (Jennifer) and Alan (Wanda) McCallum; sister, Judy Wolven and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Harry.

Visitation for Mary was held on Friday, November 8 from 11:00 AM to 2:30 PM at the Skradski Funeral Home in Gladstone. Mass of Christian Burial was at 3:00 PM at All Saints Catholic Church with Fr. Robb Jurkovich officiating. Mary was laid to rest in the Fernwood Cemetery in Gladstone.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Michigan Parkinson Foundation.

For additional information or to leave the family a message of condolence, go to <http://www.skradskifuneralhomes.com>.

New texting hotline for sexual assault survivors

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer announced recently that in addition to calling Michigan's sexual assault hotline, survivors can now text 1-866-238-1454 to receive immediate help and support from trained professionals.

"This texting feature is an important way to make sure every survivor in Michigan has direct access to the support and resources they deserve," Gov. Whitmer said. "I want every survivor in our state to know that your voice and your story matter, and when you're ready to talk, we're ready to listen."

The texting feature is an expansion to the 855-VOICES4 hotline, which offers 24/7, free, confidential and anonymous support to survivors across

the lifespan in addition to their family members and friends. The launch of the hotline in 2018 helped ensure the 40 percent of Michiganders without

**Sexual Assault Texting Hotline:
1-866-238-1454**

access to direct sexual assault services had somewhere to turn for help and support.

"The hotline and new texting feature give sexual assault survivors more options when it comes to where, when and how they reach out for help," said

Debi Cain, Executive Director of the Division of Victim Services within the Michigan Department of Health and

Human Services. "Now more than ever before, survivors in Michigan have direct access to the support and resources they need for immediate help and long-term healing."

The governor made the announcement at Eastern Michigan University during the fifth annual "Let's End Campus Sexual Assault" summit, where she offered the event's keynote address. The "Let's End Campus Sexual Assault" initiative was started by former Michigan First Lady Sue Snyder with the goal of changing the culture surrounding campus sexual assault.

Visit www.michigan.gov/voices4 to learn more about sexual assault services in Michigan.

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Learn about Michigan's lakes online from MSU Extension

The Michigan State University Extension Introduction to Lakes online course is being offered January 2020 and registration is now open! This nationally recognized six-week course is in a convenient self-paced online format and is designed for lake users, lakefront property owners, and pro-

professionals who want to improve their understanding of lakes and their protection and management. Over 500 people have participated in the class since it was first offered online in 2015.

The online format allows you, from the comfort of your home or office, to have week-by-week, 24/7 access to six online units that are complete with video lectures, activities, resources, discussion forums, quizzes, and Ask-an-Expert webinar sessions with professionals from Michigan State University and the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy. The course covers lake ecology, lakes and their watersheds, shorelines, Michigan water law, aquatic plant management, and community involvement. The course schedule allows for regular online communication with classmates and course instructors.

The 2020 course runs January 14 - March 13. The cost of the course is \$115 per person. Register by December 20, 2019 for an early bird discounted price of \$95 per person. Registration is open now through January 8, 2020.

Everyone who completes the course will receive a free, one-year membership to Michigan Lake Stewardship Associations, including four issues of The Michigan Riparian magazine. Continuing Education Credits are also available including 16 Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Pesticide Applicator Re-Certification credits and credits in the Master Citizen Planner program, Master Gardener program, Conservation Stewards Program and the Wildlife Society's Certified Wildlife Biologist program.

For more details about the course and to register visit the MSU Extension Introduction to Lakes webpage at <http://www.canr.msu.edu/lakesonline>.

Counseling Corner:

Lowering Stress Levels For Holiday Travel

In today's world virtually any holiday travel is going to be a cause for increased stress and anxiety. Whether driving for a holiday visit with relatives or taking a holiday plane trip, it's almost guaranteed that you'll experience some stress-producing, travel-related issues.

Regardless, holiday travel is popular. It's estimated that this year's holiday period will see more than 94 million Americans climbing in their cars for a holiday road trip. If air travel is what you're looking forward to, you'll be joining an estimated 6 million fellow citizens who will fly to their holiday destinations.

It isn't simply the numbers of travelers who add to holiday travel stress. There can be long, slow

TSA security lines, delayed or canceled flights, road construction, traffic jams on your route, and all the issues that bad weather can bring.

The secret to minimizing holiday travel stress is separating what you can control from what you can't. You have no control over that approaching snow storm, the crowded airport, or any of the many other outside factors that can impede your holiday travel plans.

So, in order to reduce stress and anxiety levels, focus on those factors you can control. If you're driving, take the time to check out news reports for your route and decide if you can leave earlier or later to miss the worst of the bad weather.

Planning can also make

airport delays less of a headache. If you expect long TSA lines and crowded check-in lines, depart earlier for the airport. Important stress relievers are the things you can do to insure that you're not suddenly rushing and facing or missing deadlines. Don't frantically pack your suitcase at the last minute. Instead, do it a day early, check weight and size requirements, make sure it meets them, and then enjoy a relaxing cup of tea knowing you're prepared.

You can also always take charge of how you feel. Use distractions to change your focus. Getting upset or mad doesn't move security lines faster or make

traffic jams disappear. Instead of feeling frustrated in line play a game on your smart phone or just people-watch your fellow passengers. Stuck in traffic? Listen to the car radio, enjoy the music, consciously change your attitude and look forward to enjoying your destination.

Holiday travel can be a hassle, and quite likely will be, but it doesn't have to be high stress.

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Helen Newberry Joy Hospital and Healthcare Center

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	Prenatal/Family Medicine.....	906-225-3864
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20	General Surgery - Dr. Bryant.....	906-293-9239
26	Prenatal/Family Medicine.....	906-225-3864
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We need an animal shelter

We've got furry, wiggly households.

According to the American Pet Products Association, 68 percent of American households in 2016 had some sort of pet. The most recent U.S. Census estimate, dated 2018, indicates there were 6,283 people living in Luce County. This means there are potentially 4,272 pets in Luce County. And since some households have more than one pet - ours has three - it could actually be much higher than that.

Where we got those pets is anyone's guess, because there is currently no animal shelter in the county. There are dog breeders, and some accidental litters, for sure. But there is no place for pet owners to relinquish animals, or for family members to send grandma's three cats when she gets moved into a nursing home.

We do our best to privately rehome animals that will otherwise hit the streets, or worse. Hasn't every pet owner been



Carol Stiffler

begged, at some point or another, to take in just one more animal?

It doesn't always work. Homeless animals do roam our streets. I know one man who feeds and cares for 16 stray cats in Newberry. Some are too wild to be pets, but he finds homes for others. And he has a completely unrelated day job.

That's the best thing about this situation - we do care for animals. We want them to be safe, warm, and healthy. We open our homes up as much as we

can, but we do need an animal shelter.

A new shelter has actually been built and is completely ready to operate. Pet Pals has been fund-raising for ages and have constructed a building east of the prison. It's got everything except money and staff. Luce County may operate the shelter one day soon, but the funds will likely need to come from us, the taxpayers.

Obviously, there are other urgent needs in the area. The Tahquamenon

Area Schools buildings have been in disrepair long enough that some fear they'll be condemned within years. Taxpayers have been asked to shell out for that, too, but so far a majority have declined.

It's not this or that, it's this AND that. We need to fix the school and we need an animal shelter.

Fortunately, the animal shelter situation appears to be less complex than the school and it's certainly less expensive. The building is already standing, and it's paid for. A portion of a mill, or potentially up to one mill, would be all it takes to operate it. It could mean as little as \$10 extra dollars in taxes per year.

The existence of a local animal shelter will be very helpful for people who need to give up a pet, or who want to adopt one. And it'll make a world of difference for each animal whose life is saved. If a vote for Pet Pals comes up, let's support it.

- Carol Stiffler

Letters to the editor

All letters reflect the opinion of the letter writer and not necessarily the opinion of the *Newberry News*.

To the Editor:

As a girl growing up on a U.P. farm, I loved trips to town, especially if Mom or Dad took time for a stop at the Menominee County Library. My sisters and I, with great delight, would check out the limit in books. Libraries were magical, marvelous places.

My first love was writing and even then, I dreamed of the day that I might write a book and be able to find it on the shelves of a library or bookstore.

After graduating from Stephenson High School in 1971, I worked one summer on the Menominee County Bookmobile that traveled dusty rural roads bringing books to shut-ins, tiny settlements, and the Potawatomi Indian Reservation at Hannahville.

While attending college, I worked at the college library, my respect for the power of libraries and the written word, growing ever stronger. Then came a career - newspaper reporting and a regular column, magazine editing, speechwriting, ghostwriting, and seeing my own books on library and bookstore shelves.

My husband and I now have a cottage in the U.P. and I love to visit the wonderful Curtis Public Library, where I can work in comfort, have a cup of coffee, read the paper, share a conversation with Linda Blanchard, (the most caring librarian in the world), and be inspired to keep doing what I love - writing.

Libraries and newspapers are threatened treasures - threatened by the immediacy and ease of online resources among other things. Newspapers, including the one where I live, under absentee ownership, have dwindled to near nothing in size and substance, replaced by sensationalism in an attempt to sell.

The internet can in no way match the ability of a local library or a well-composed local newspaper to give a person a true sense of the spirit and strength of a community and what matters to it. Support your local library and your local newspaper. They matter.

Jan Corey Arnett
Battle Creek, Michigan

To the Editor:

If the village plow drivers don't use the plow instead of the blade, the village will be one-way streets like last winter.

Ron Brown
Newberry

A student's voice:

The dress code needs work

By Claire Mohar

The students at Newberry High School see the dress code as outdated, and worse yet, it targets female students.

According to Tahquamenon Area School's student handbook, "Tops with spaghetti straps or straps that are less than two inches in width, bare midriffs, bare backs, necklines that expose any cleavage" and "Skirts, dresses and shorts" above "the lengths that reach fingertips of student" are all violations of the dress code.

These stipulations specifically refer to girl's cloth-

ing. A video shown at the beginning of the year informing new students of what they're allowed to wear almost exclusively shows images of girls.

It's not only an issue of the dress code itself, but also how it is enforced. Two separate female students stated that, in gym class, "boys are allowed to wear cut off shirts" that expose their stomachs or chests, while the girls are told to cover up.

The boys, on the other hand, don't believe they're

given enough credit. As one male student said: "We don't care if girls show their shoulders. And besides, it gets hot in here, they might need to wear a tank top." This may have to do with the inadequacy of the school's heating and cooling system.

Students say it is much more distracting when a teacher singles out someone in class over their outfit than the individual's outfit itself. As a student with only five minutes between classes and assignments due, the last thing on your mind is the dress

code.

I personally have been late for class because a teacher told me my shorts were above fingertip length and I had to change.

If you don't have extra clothes with you, some students even have to call parents in order to find "appropriate" clothing.

Students agree that while there should still be limitations to what we wear, we deserve a revamped dress code that's fairly applied to both genders.

Claire Mohar is in 10th grade at Newberry High School.



Claire Mohar

Traveling Through Time: This week, through the years

From December 14, 1894

Electric Light and Water Plant

There may be some difference of opinion regarding the advisability of having electric lights, but there need be none regarding the water supply. That has got to be pumped and the only thing to decide is whether to enter into a new contract with the Newberry Furnace Co. or for the village to own and operate its own plant. The Furnace Company offers to pump the water for \$2,500 a year and agrees to enter into a five year contract on that basis. Now the question is, can the village put in a pumping plant and operate it for the same or a smaller sum?

Seney and Grand Marais

-Charles Connor, who got his arm broken by a falling limb in a camp, received a nice little purse of \$115 from the boys in the camps near Seney, and is now in Ann Arbor being treated.

-Paul, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Logan, died very suddenly Saturday night. He was sick only

about four hours prior to his death. He was loved by all, the old as well as the young. His little friends showed their respect by making an exceedingly beautiful wreath. The sorrowing parents have the sympathy of the community in their irreparable loss.

From December 12, 1919 Hunter Froze to Death

Charles Dell, a cedar maker for Oscar Davis, in the Brevor-Ozark territory in Mackinac county, perished while on a deer hunt, lost in a swamp and overcome by fatigue in the storm. His body was found frozen on the edge of the swamp about two and one half miles northeast of the floating bridge on the Little Brevort River which is five miles northerly from the warehouse. Dell started out from the camp that he occupies to hunt deer. As was discovered by the searching party, he was successful, after a long chase, disclosed by his tracks. They found a deer that he had killed hanging up in the woods. Having killed the deer he had evidently started for home in the nearest direction. But the approach of night found him floundering in a dense swamp and the rain of the day turned into a fierce

storm. Not the strongest frame or constitution would bear up against such odds and at last he succumbed. The body lay on the edge of the swam, frozen stiff in the water and mire through which he had struggled until overcome by exhaustion.

McMillan in Brief

Messrs. Bert Koontz and Wm. McGarey received two pedigreed fox hounds from Somerset, Ky., last week. Something else to take the joy out of life for the foxes.

Local

Fatty Arbuckle in "The Sheriff" at the Grand Wednesday, December 17. Matinee at 4 o'clock, 10 and 20 cents. Evening price, 20 and 25c.

From December 11, 1969

Observe Santa Lucia Festival

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church will again be the scene of the annual Santa Lucia festival Sunday evening, Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m. The festival comes into the Christian church from Sweden many centuries ago, and centers on the Santa Lucia queens. In Sweden the eldest daughter would rise early on

Dec. 13th, dress herself in a white gown with a red sash. She would then place a crown of lighted candles on her head. Thus adorned, she would go and serve her parents a traditional breakfast.

The senior high school girls

of Our Redeemer will serve as Santa Lucias. Some 20 youth of the church will read the many Advent traditions of the church including the Santa Lucia story. There will be singing by the youth, solos and congregational singing.

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News from Tahquamenon Area Schools

Please come Sunday, December 15 at 2:00 p.m. to listen to the Sounds of Christmas by the MS/HS bands. The elementary and secondary choirs will also share a few selections. The season is here so come hear the joy it brings!

Winter sports are in full swing. Schedules are available in Central Office and the Athletic Office. Come on out and cheer on our Basketball and Wrestling athletes.

Often at this time of year, we wonder about gifts to buy for our loved ones. I was reading an article on using activities as gifts. This brought me back to my childhood and the year I got the "best" toy ever.

But, what I remember the most is getting together with family, the long drives to my grandparents, the fights with my brother in the car, driving my parents crazy, the dice game for the cheap funny gifts, and the family dinners at the table.

Play time with relatives and, as I got older, the long talks are forever embedded in my mind and heart. Many of the people that made my Christmases grand are now

gone. But, as I look back it's not the "big" presents that I hold dear to my heart, but rather the memories.

My message is this: as you think about gifts to buy, perhaps plans for memory-making with loved ones and friends is more important. Time is something that is inexpensive yet priceless at the same time.

We are always seeking substitute teachers and bus drivers. If you are interested, please contact the school at 293-3226.

Have a great week.

-Stacy Price

Upcoming Dates:

- **December 15** — Christmas concert @ 2:00 p.m. - MS and HS Band and Elem. & HS Choir

- **December 23 – January 3, 2020** — Christmas Break

- **January 6** — School resumes @ 8:00 a.m.

- **January 8** — Late Start - Doors open at 9:40 a.m.; School starts at 10:00 a.m.

- **January 22-24** — Half Days - School Dismisses @ 11:40 a.m.

- **January 27** — Beginning of Semester 2

TAS Students of the Month



Amayah Battle and Teacher Alesha Havens



Teacher Erin McNamara and Sydalie Turcott

Mrs. Havens chose Amayah Battle as her Second Grade Student of the Month. Amayah is eight years old and the daughter of Aaron and Crystal Battle. She has one brother, Jaylen, who is in 9th grade, and one sister, Aliviyah, who is in 5th grade.

Amayah's favorite food is strawberries. She enjoys playing with her cats, and playing on her TV. Her favorite thing about school is reading. When Amayah grows up she wants to be a teacher. Mrs. Havens chose Amayah as her Student of the Month because she is a very hard worker and she always tries her best. She has made tremendous improvements in multiple areas so far in second grade. She is always willing to help out her teachers, and classmates. Congratulations, and keep up the good work, Amayah!

Sydalie Turcott is Newberry Elementary's December student of the month. Sydalie is an excellent student. She always does her best on her school work and following the school rules. She always has a positive attitude and a smile on her face.

Sydalie lives with her dad and stepmom, Cody and Chantel Turcott. She has one sister, Saejyn, and two brothers, Kaesyn and Bronson. Her favorite subject is reading and when not in school she enjoys swimming and playing with her puppy.

We are all super proud of Sydalie and look forward to watching her grow up and do wonderful things. Way to go Sydalie!

NHS Drama Performed *Murder at Aunt Agatha's*



The NHS Drama group recently performed "Murder at Aunt Agatha's". Above, Annalise Wing acts as the deceased Mrs. VanFleet.



A group of ghosts terrorized guests at Aunt Agatha's. Photos by Caitlynn Canfield.

The CAMP hosting dress swap for Snowball dance

The CAMP will be hosting a dress swap and shop to help NHS students prepare for the Snowball. They are accepting donations of dresses, shoes and accessories.

The swap and shop will take place Tuesday, December 17 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. in The CAMP, room 170 of Newberry High School.

These items can also be dropped off at The CAMP for "rental." Anyone who does not wish to donate their items, but will like to lend them to students, should be sure to include item description(s), size, name and phone number so items can be returned after the dance.

The Snowball will be held on January 11, 2020.



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Hospital Happenings

Risk Factors for Prediabetes

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than 1 out of 3 American adults have prediabetes and 90% aren't aware they have it. Prediabetes is when blood sugar levels are higher than normal but not high enough to be diagnosed as type 2 diabetes. If you have prediabetes, you are at a greater risk of having a stroke, heart disease, and type 2 diabetes.

In 2018, a Community Health Needs Assessment for Luce County and the entire Upper Peninsula of Michigan was conducted by the Western Upper Peninsula Health Department. The data collected shows that social determinants of health impact your risk for type 2 diabetes. Social determinants of health are the economic and social conditions in which people live and grow up in. They include factors such as socioeconomic status, education, household income, gender, and employment. The survey indicates that those with lower education and household income are at a higher risk. It also highlights significant gender disparity, with men being more likely than women to have prediabetes, and later type 2 diabetes.

Prediabetes often has no clear symptoms and easily goes undetected until more serious health

problems arise. A simple blood sugar test can determine if you have prediabetes. It is important to talk to your healthcare provider about testing your blood sugar levels if you have any of the following risk factors:

- Being overweight
- Being 45 years or older
- Having immediate family members with type 2 diabetes
- Being physically active less than 3 times a week

Fortunately, you can greatly reduce your risk of type 2 diabetes by losing weight. Regular physical activity, just 30 minutes of exercise 5 days a week, combined with eating healthy can cut your risk in half. This includes being conscious of your eating, especially around the holidays. Instead of trying to cut out foods completely, eat in moderation. Discipline yourself to eat only one serving of your favorite foods, avoiding the all or nothing mindset. Keeping extra food out of sight can also prevent you from being tempted to overindulge, reducing your risk of type 2 diabetes.

Assess your risk of prediabetes with the prediabetes risk test. To take the test, visit <http://bit.ly/prediabetesrisk>.

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TLA Student of the Week



Three Lakes Academy Student of the Week for Dec. 2-6 Taliesan Cox, grade 7. Tali, as he prefers to be called, likes to read, camp, play outside, and watch YouTube. He prefers NOT to eat avocados, spaghetti squash, root soup, artificial strawberry flavoring, and coffee. His favorite sport is baseball, which he has played for nine years. If Tali had a million dollars, he says he would invest it.

Three Lakes Academy Student of the Week for Dec. 9-13 Nerise Kimbler, grade 2. Nerise is also called Smiley. She likes to play outside, play with her dog, and play with her cats. She likes to eat plums, spaghetti, blueberries, pizza and smoothies. She also likes to play baseball, and says it's because she likes swinging the bat. If she had a million dollars she would spend it to make a zoo.

Three Lakes Academy

Greetings, Families! I hope you've all dug yourselves out well enough for more snow. I enjoy winter, but I was not prepared for the amount we got last weekend! Speaking of winter, please remember to send your child to school with cold weather gear. Extra hats/mittens are available for anyone in need. Grades 1 - 3 will have

their holiday program on December 19 at 1:00. Those students will need a white t-shirt for the concert. If you are able to provide an extra for a child who doesn't have one, it would be greatly appreciated. If you are interested in purchasing something for your child's classroom, there is a Giving Tree located at the front entrance

of the school with teacher wishes written on each ornament.

Finally, if you missed the Butter Braid order, there are more order forms available in the office. They're great to keep in the freezer for last minute company, or to treat yourself.

-Rachel Bommarito

Upcoming events

December 19 - TLA Christmas Program 1st-3rd grade @ 1:00 in Multipurpose Room

December 19 - PK Christmas Program @ 2:00 in Preschool Room

December 20 - Half Day of School/ dismissal @ 12:30

December 21 - January 1 - Christmas Vacation

January 2 - First Day Back for New Year

Engadine Superintendent

Engadine Superintendent Congratulations to Maggie Mersnick, who placed third in the EUP Regional Science Fair first grade category. It is always interesting to see what projects our young scientists select to explore.

Three of our high school musicians were selected for the All U.P. Honors Band. Congratulations to Nick Nance,

Asher Nelson, and Conrad Spieles, who participated in the Honors Band Concert at NMU this past weekend.

The Elementary and High School Student Councils will be holding a Canned Food and Penny Drive next week 12/16-12/20. All donations will be directed to Love, Inc. in Engadine.

Congratulations to Mr. Joshua Reed, who will be the next Superintendent/High School Principal

of Engadine Consolidated Schools! The district is now seeking an elementary principal/instructional coach. Interested applicants should apply via the district website.

Upcoming Events:

December 21 - January 1 - Christmas Break - No School

January 2 - School Resumes



Northstar News

Northstar Christian Academy will present their Christmas play on Friday, December 20th. Mark your calendar for this exciting presentation called "There Is A Way".

Missionary Doug Burton, serving in Papua New Guinea, will be speaking at all 3 services on December 15th.

On Friday, December 6, Northstar traveled to the

Hannah and Brandon kept chipping away, finally taking the lead 140-120-80 with three questions left. The Soo tied it at 140 and Rogers City answered one, leaving one question to go. Brandon Williams buzzed in without hearing the question and answered correctly for the victory 160-140-100.

Petoskey came in on Northstar's second round

Northstar's effort with 240 points, Hannah and Brandon both added 100. Logan remains in first place with 890 points. Hannah is 5th with 440 and Brandon is 10th with 260.

Katie Badgero of Rogers City had her 1st ever quiz-out giving them a double win.

In the JV competition the first match played out to a three-way tie; Northstar

say Neill, in for her sick brother, answered two key questions to help produce the victory.

In the second round Logan quizzed out but so did Huey Fowler of the Soo. Northstar had one costly error to the Soo's none, giving Northstar their only JV loss of the day. Petoskey 60, Northstar 150, the Soo 160.

Northstar won their final round Manistique 120, Petoskey 50 and Northstar 200.

Jeremy Crowder from Manistique had a perfect 360 points with 3 quiz-outs. He is now in 2nd place for total points just 60 points behind Logan Handrich, who has 960.

Logan quizzed out twice and had 310 for the day.

Lindsay Neill contributed 70 points, Megan Williams 50, Faith Martindale 40 and Serenity Goldsborough got her first answer for 20.

Northstar leads the Conference 15 - 3. Manistique and the Soo are tied at 8 - 10 and Petoskey is 5 - 13.

The next quiz is January 10 in Rogers City.

Happy birthday this week to Logan Handrich and Levi Johnson on Tuesday and James Handrich on the Wednesday.



Varsity Quiz team: Serenity Goldsborough, Hannah Handrich, Connor Goldsborough, Brandon Williams, and Logan Handrich.

Soo for the Superior Conference Bible quizzing.

The first match was Northstar, the Soo and Rogers City. It looked like it was going to be a disaster. After the first five questions Northstar had negative 20, the Soo 40 and Rogers City 60. Logan,

along with the Soo. Josh Teller was red hot all day leading all scorers with 340 points. He helped his team to a 6 -0 day including giving Northstar two loses. Both Petoskey and Northstar are now 15 - 3 in first place.

Logan Handrich led

120, the Soo 120 and Manistique 120. Logan won it for Northstar with the winning answer and then the Soo missed a question but got the next, for second place; 140, 130, 120. Lind-

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Chippewa - Luce - Mackinac community **Action**
Senior Lunch Menu
Curtis
Thursday, December 12
Chili
Broccoli Salad
Corn Bread
Brownies
Monday, December 16
Salisbury Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Pears
Tuesday, December 17
Pasties
Stewed Tomatoes
Coleslaw
Mandarin Oranges
All meals are served at 12:00 noon and include bread and milk. Donations are suggested, but not required. Discounted donations suggested for seniors 60+ years of age. This monthly menu may change due to circumstances out of our control.
The Curtis meals are served at the Portage Township Hall, W17361 Davis St. 906-586-9411

Chippewa - Luce - Mackinac community **Action**
Senior Lunch Menu
Engadine
Thursday, December 12
Pork Roast & Baked Potato
Glazed Carrots
Applesauce
Tuesday, December 17
Cheeseburger
Oven Wedges
Lettuce & Tomato
Fruit Cocktail
Wednesday, December 18
BINGO
Roast Turkey
Mashed Potatoes
Stuffing
Green Bean Casserole
Dessert
All meals are served at 12:00 noon and include bread and milk. Donations are suggested, but not required. Discounted donations suggested for seniors 60+ years of age. This monthly menu may change due to circumstances out of our control.
The Engadine lunches are served at the Garfield Township Hall, N6760 M-117. 906-477-6481

Chippewa - Luce - Mackinac community **Action**
Senior Lunch Menu
Newberry
Friday, December 13
Pizza
Green Beans & Fruit
Monday, December 16
Beef Pasty
Beets
Coleslaw
Pudding
Wednesday, December 18
Christmas Dinner
Baked Ham
Sweet Potato
Green Beans
Apple Pie & Ice Cream
All meals are served at 12:00 noon and include bread and milk. Donations are suggested, but not required. Discounted donations suggested for seniors 60+ years of age. This monthly menu may change due to circumstances out of our control.
The Newberry Senior Nutrition Center is located in the CLMCAA building, 207 Newberry Ave., 293-5621.

Chippewa - Luce - Mackinac community **Action**
Senior Lunch Menu
Paradise
Tuesday, December 17
Meatloaf
Baked Potatoes
Squash
Fruit
Wednesday, December 18
Goulash
Green Beans
Garlic Toast
Fruit Dessert
Thursday, December 19
Beef Pasty
Cuke Salad
Fruit
All meals are served at 12:00 noon and include bread and milk. Donations are suggested, but not required. Discounted donations suggested for seniors 60+ years of age. This monthly menu may change due to circumstances out of our control.
The Paradise lunches are served at the Whitefish Township Hall, 7052 N. M-123. 906-492-3897.

Whitefish Township

By Tom McKee

For the first time in a few years, Whitefish Township Community Schools approaches the new year with a new opportunity for our students. Mr. Sean Stark and Ms. Peggy Imhoff have been approached by some of our students in an effort to start a robotics team. We have been awarded two grants to help cover the start-up costs and are looking at beginning Paradise Rockets Robots again!

The more chances that we provide at our school for our students, the more well-rounded they will turn out. Even amongst our continued battle with our legislators and governor over our rural and isolated school funding, the staff at Whitefish Township Community Schools continue to seek out opportunities for our students. This goes to show you that we have some of the most dedicated and student-centered staff members in our state.

Winter School Schedule Once again our school has been awarded an Innovative school schedule for the 2019-2020 school year. We will have school Monday - Thursday. There will be no school on Fridays. When we have accumulated five snow days we will start attending on Fridays. This

will be the case for January, February and March. The rational behind this is to keep our students safe.

22d funding There has been a lot of talk the last seven weeks about what 22d funding is and also a lot of false reports. In the simplest terms, 22d funding was established for isolated school districts (Whitefish Township, Burt Township (Grand Marais), Detour area, Mackinac Island and Beaver Island) in an effort to help offset the costs that are not provided back to the school districts due to property tax discrepancies. Whitefish Township sends \$420,000 to Lansing for property taxes for the purpose of school aid. We receive \$315,000 of that back (with \$216,000 of that in 22d funding). The removal of this funding means that we will still send \$420,000 down to Lansing and only see \$99,000 back. The remaining money will be shifted to help support other districts (Detroit Public Schools is slated to gain \$14,500,000 in additional funding). This is why we are fighting for the money back and why we are asking you to continue to call, write letters, and make your voices heard. That you and have a great, safe Holiday Season!

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From the press box

Robotics is a real sport... really

By Dan Hardenbrook

Inside the Norris Center on the campus of LSSU are two of the largest sports venues in the Upper Peninsula. Hang a right after the lobby, and it brings you inside the Bud Cooper Gymnasium, home to the Lakers basketball and volleyball teams. Go left to enter the Taffy Abel Arena, the longtime home for the Laker hockey teams.

On this day, the Bud Cooper Gym has been transformed into a battlefield for the best bots from schools across the state. The gym seats 2,500 people and the place is packed. Flags are flying. School fight songs are being sung.

Across the hall, it looks more like a NASCAR pit than a hockey rink. Everyone must sign in and out. Safety glasses are required. In some areas you have to have a hard hat. Between the two NCAA stadiums stands a team of armed security guards.

Newberry's robotics team coach Linus Parr certainly had no idea what he was in for when he signed on, after the original coach left two years ago. He felt bad for the kids and wanted them to compete. The learning curve was "steep and quick," he said.

Parr's Tahquamenon Phenomenon team now includes 16 students who have built a robot that they use to compete at events around the region. Like other sports, the robotics team consists of kids from different backgrounds, each with their own strengths. They must learn to work together.

"They may be good in one area but not in another and that's where they need each other," Parr said. "They have to work together and use each other to help accomplish their goals."

Spend any time around any robotics team - they are everywhere, including Engadine, Pickford, Rudyard, and Brimley - and you will hear the phrase "Gracious Professionalism". FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology), the company most responsible for the robotics revolution, teaches that as their motto. It's the only competition I've ever seen where teams try to defeat each other while building each other up and offering a helping hand.

During competition, teams report to a central command that they need parts or assistance. An announcement is made on the loudspeaker, and teams from all over come racing to the rescue.

That would be the same as me asking the team on the other sideline to let me



Dan Hardenbrook

borrow equipment so I can beat them.

How many baseball teams give away their bats? Parr said it goes back to Gracious Professionalism.

Like traditional sports teams, robotics requires money. Parr says the "Tahquamenon Phenomenon" team takes no money from TAS. They are completely self-funded.

"My main job as the coach/mentor is to go after grants and resources to help them do their jobs," Parr said. The list of grants and donations include \$500 from the Neebish Island Women's Association through a fund that was a memorial for Parr's mother, Dorla. The Michigan Department of Education awarded the team a \$3,200 grant. The Tahquamenon Education Foundation is covering the cost of the team's electronic equipment. FIRST awarded them almost \$2,200 through a grant to offset costs for the program.

Team members handle marketing, promotions, and where to apply for sponsorship, Parr said. The list of items they need is endless.

"If there is a business or individual that can help us in a specific way, we will take it. Those goods and services are just as valuable," Parr said. He and his students just launched an Amazon wish list for needed supplies, found on their Facebook page.

FIRST gave out \$90 million in scholarships last year alone. Second-year seniors are encouraged to apply, and can earn up to \$25,000 each. Upper Peninsula universities are on board. Michigan Tech offers \$4,000 in scholarship money and LSSU, with a new program, gives out \$3,000 each year.

Soon, TAS will have a middle school program developed and mentored by high school students to develop interest at a younger age. The robot itself gets inspected by a team of technical experts before and after each event. The crowds are loud. The excitement and energy is electric.

That excitement is now making its way to Newberry. It's time to realize that robotics is a real sport. There is a phenomenon taking over at TAS, and its newest team is the Tahquamenon Phenomenon.



Dan Hardenbrook

Members of the Newberry High School wrestling team face off in practice.

Back to the mats

NHS wrestling team gets ready

By Dan Hardenbrook

The Newberry High School wrestling team is getting ready for their big return to the mat. This year's team is young but returns a ton of talent. Third-year varsity coach Bob Bowler has high expectations for the team.

"My hope is that we win districts and make a strong showing at regionals," he said. "As a team, I expect that. Individually, we should have a minimum of five state qualifiers this year."

Bowler, who spent 10 years running the youth wrestling program, says those high hopes come from strong showings last year. "We have a returning state qualifier, and five who wrestled at Regionals. A lot of them were one win away. That's a lot to bring back."

In total this team features 10 wrestlers filling out nine different weight classes. The numbers are decent, but don't fill all of the weight classes. That can cause big problems, according to Bowler. "We are giving up a lot of points. Every weight class that we can't fill, if another team has a wrestler there, we give up six points. That can add up. It makes it tough to win a lot of matches."

Seniors Cameron Depew and Lance Bowler will be looked to as the leaders of the team which includes a solid group of juniors and three brand new wrestlers who have never been on the mat. The focus for the preseason practices has been on perfecting the offensive attack and finding ways to score more points.

Bowler has been teaching them to be team contributors while striving



Dan Hardenbrook

Wrestling is unique, says Coach Bowler. You have to be physically fit with muscle mass but also need cardio strength, mental strength, and agility.

for individual excellence. "We really promote a team environment," he said.

"It helps with practice and improvement," Bowler said. "Individually, success depends on your effort and your desire. You win and lose by what you do. There is nobody to hide behind or pass on the blame."

It's not about being the biggest or the strongest, either. "A good wrestler has a hard work ethic. A drive within themselves. They want to be a better person on and off."

With years of experience, Bowler has seen many wrestlers grow from the very beginning in youth wrestling to the state's biggest stages.

"Wrestling is really unique: You have to be physically fit, you need muscle mass, but you also have to

have cardio strength. It takes mental toughness. You're making split second decisions. I really feel you have to be more prepared in wrestling than in a lot of other sports; there is so much that goes into it and because everything happens so quickly."

Bowler hopes the program will grow, and believes success on and off the mat will help. "More athletes will mean more success," Bowler said. "Getting all of those classes filled and winning matches. And wins get more attention!"

The Newberry High School Wrestling team will open the 2019-2020 season at home Thursday night. The quad meet will feature teams from Westwood, Gwinn, and Bark River-Harris. Matches will start at 5 p.m.

Newberry News Game of the Week

Boys Basketball: Engadine at Pickford on Thursday, December 12

The High School Boys Basketball season starts with a pair of EUP Conference Contenders clashing in a season opening showdown. Engadine Coach Walter Hanson and the Eagles head to Pickford to play the Panthers.

Pickford just won a State Championship in eight-man football, beating Engadine twice on their way to a title. Their senior class, led by Nick Eddington and Jimmy Storey, have been just as good in basketball. They are strong bet to be league leaders.

The Eagles' high flying attack features strong seniors of their own. Ian McArthur, Hunter Dennis, and Kyle Gould will guide Engadine with high hopes for district, regional, and conference championships.

EVENT DETAILS:
JV GAME: 5:45 p.m. (will not be broadcast)
Pregame Coverage 6:45 p.m. on December 12
Varsity game at 7 p.m.
Listen LIVE with Dan Hardenbrook on m123fm.com or EUP Sports Network on Facebook



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2019-20 Great Michigan Read to launch in Flint

Michigan Humanities' statewide program features "What the Eyes Don't See," by Mona Hanna-Attisha

Communities across the state are invited to take part in Michigan Humanities' 2019-20 Great Michigan Read, a statewide reading and discussion program featuring the book "What the Eyes Don't See," by physician, scientist, and activist Mona Hanna-Attisha. On September 16, 2019, Michigan Humanities will kick off the Great Michigan Read at the Flint Farmers' Market with a public event from 5 to 8 p.m. that includes a conversation, Q&A, and book signing with Hanna-Attisha. Event registration is free and available online.

Since 2007, the Great Michigan Read has bridged communities across the state with Michigan-based fiction and non-fiction titles that spark dialogue among diverse perspectives, encourage a deeper understanding of the humanities, and connect thousands of readers with authors and engaging educational programming. Every two years, regional committees composed of teachers, li-

brarians, students, and a wide range of community members select the next Great Michigan Read.

"What the Eyes Don't See" is Hanna-Attisha's account of her discovery that Flint's children were being poisoned by lead in the city's drinking water. Shelly Hendrick Kasprzycki, Michigan Humanities president & CEO, said, "As we begin our seventh Great Michigan Read, we are eager to see and hear how Michiganders connect with one another through reading and discussing 'What the Eyes Don't See.' Whether we are taking a closer look at water quality and access, Michigan's history, or the many intersections of humanities and science, there are countless opportunities for shared learning, and it is Michigan Humanities' hope that Dr. Mona's work can help increase civil discourse and community engagement across our state."

To date, more than 170 Michigan libraries, high schools, colleges and universities, and other non-profit organizations have registered to receive free copies of "What the Eyes Don't See," reader's and

teacher's guides, and promotional materials. From September, 2019, through September, 2020, Hanna-Attisha will visit 20 communities during her author tours across Michigan, and an estimated 10,000 copies of the book will be distributed.

In reflecting on the significance of her book as a Great Michigan Read, Hanna-Attisha said, "From the progressive leadership of Governor Frank Murphy to the hate-filled broadcasts of Father Coughlin, 'What the Eyes Don't See' helps us understand the complexity of Michigan's past to better solve the problems of today. The most important reason that Michiganders need to read this book is to better understand the Flint water crisis, Michigan's most emblematic environmental and public health disaster. Learning the lessons of Flint will hopefully embolden all Michiganders to work together to create a state where all our children can thrive."

Hanna-Attisha was awarded the Freedom of Expression Courage Award by PEN America, and named one of *Time* magazine's 100 Most Influential

People in the World. An associate professor of pediatrics and human development at Michigan State University, she is also the founder and director of the Michigan State University and Hurley Children's Hospital Pediatric Public Health Initiative, a model program to mitigate the impact of the Flint water crisis so that all Flint children grow up healthy and strong.

The 2019-20 Great Michigan Read title was announced in April, 2019, and is supported by national, statewide, and local partners, including the National Endowment for the Humanities, The Meijer Foundation, MSU Federal Credit Union, and University of Michigan-Flint. Media partners include: Michigan Radio and WCMU.

Online registration for the September 16 event at Flint Farmers' Market and additional details about becoming a Great Michigan Read partner are available at our Great Michigan Read page. For more information, contact Katie Wittenaar, Michigan Humanities director of programs, at (517) 372-7770, or kwittenaar@mhumanities.org.

AAA reminds motorists: dont veer for deer

Almost half of vehicle-deer crashes in Michigan happen during the months of October, November and December. In 2017, 43 percent of all vehicle-deer crashes occurred in the fall.

Last year, 14 people were killed in deer crashes. Over 64 percent of the fatalities (9) were on motorcycles. Another 1,335 people were injured in vehicle-deer crashes. In Michigan, vehicle-deer crashes are expensive, causing at least \$130 million in damage annually. The state has a 1.8 million-strong deer herd. Deer frequently travel in groups. If you see one deer cross the road, chances are there are more nearby.

In 2018, there were 53,464 vehicle deer crashes, up from 50,949 during 2017. Oakland County had the most crashes with 1,851. The remaining top nine were Kent (1,837), Jackson (1,537), Lapeer (1,275), Otawara (1,267), Genesee (1,136), Allegan (1,160),

Calhoun (1,104), Clinton (1,103) and Isabella (1,094).

AAA offers these Five Fall Safety Tips:

Motorists

Stay awake, alert and sober.

Always wear a seat belt. Be especially alert at dawn and dusk.

If you see one deer, slow down. Chances are there are others nearby.

If a crash is unavoidable, don't swerve, brake firmly, hold onto the steering wheel, stay in your lane and bring your car to a controlled stop.

Motorcyclists

Stay awake, alert and sober.

Slow down and be alert for deer whenever you ride.

Cover the brakes to reduce reaction time.

Use high beam headlights and additional riding lights when possible.

Wear protective gear at all times.

Girls on the Run U. P. seeking sites, volunteers

Girls on the Run Upper Peninsula is recruiting new sites and volunteers in all U.P. communities for its Spring 2020 season.

Girls on the Run, a 501c3 nonprofit organization, is dedicated to creating a world where every girl knows and activates her limitless potential and is free to boldly pursue her dreams.

The 10-week, twice weekly program uses running and other physical activities as a platform for teaching life skills and promoting holistic health outcomes for girls in grades 3-8.

"We have been offering the program in the Eastern Upper Peninsula since 2009 and began expanding across the Upper Peninsula in 2018. We are please to now have teams in the Central and Western U.P. as well as the eastern region," said Cynthia Merkel, Executive Director.

"Last season we had twelve teams spread across the U.P. with 175 girls participating. So far for Spring 2020 we have added Rudyard, Calumet and L'Anse as new sites and are looking for more. Our goal is to have 21 teams across the Upper Peninsula by 2021," Merkel said.

Girls on the Run serves over 200,000 girls annually spanning all 50 states. The program goals of life skills learning and social, psychological and physical development are achieved through the efforts of 51,000 trained volunteer coaches each year.

The curriculum is designed to allow every girl to recognize her inner strength and encourage them to define their lives on their own terms. Physical activity is woven into the program to inspire an appreciation of fitness and to build habits that lead to a lifetime of health.

"Throughout the season the girls make new friends, build their confidence and celebrate all that makes them unique," Merkel said.

At the end of the 10-week season, the girls participate in a Girls on the Run 5K event. This celebratory, non-competitive event is the culminating experience of the curriculum giving the

girls a tangible understanding of the confidence that comes through accomplishment as well as a framework for setting and achieving life goals.

Before the start of the program, volunteer coaches participate in a one-day National Coach Training Program, held locally, which prepares them to build relationships with and between girls, create a positive, inclusive environment, support individual

improvement, and deliver the intentional curriculum. Educators may earn five Michigan State Continuing Education Clock Hours through their participation in the training.

"It's the coaches that truly bring the program alive", Merkel stated. "Whether a coach is a runner or not is not the priority, it's their passion for setting preadolescent girls on the path towards healthy womanhood that matters.

"An added bonus of the program is it often times changes us grown-ups almost as much as it does the girls," she said.

Girls on the Run Upper Peninsula will be accepting applications for new program sites until January 10th. For more information about how to start a site visit www.gotrmichUP/Start-Site or becoming a coach visit www.gotrmichUP.org/Coach or call Merkel at 906-632-8109.

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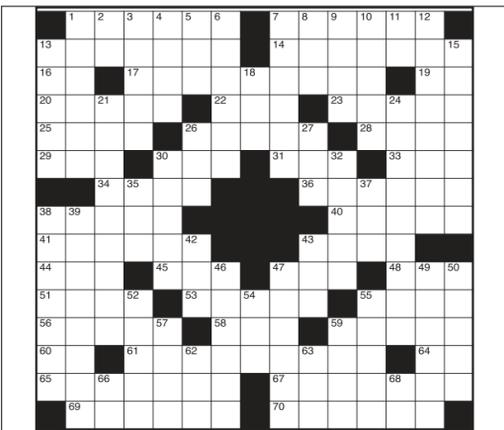
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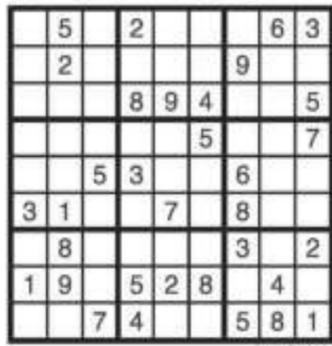
CLUES ACROSS

1. Rope used as a lasso
7. Lomb's partner
13. North African nation
14. Rounds up cattle
16. Densest naturally occurring element
17. Home of the Brewers
19. Atomic #44
20. Vetches
22. Moved earth with a tool
23. Cavalry sword
25. Supplements with difficulty
26. Encouraged
28. Speech defect
29. Periodical (abbr.)
30. Very cold
31. ___ Paulo, city
33. Former OSS
34. Approves food
36. Cars need them
38. Sweden's dominant phone company
40. Long lock of a woman's hair
41. North American natives
43. Fly high
44. One type is fire
45. Nocturnal bird
47. More than one male
48. LOTR actor McKellen
51. Employee stock ownership plan
53. Tony-winning actress Daisy
55. Tennis star Kournikova
56. Pulitzer-winning composer
58. The opposite to pro
59. Safecrackers
60. Denotes past
61. Parrots
64. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)
65. Reduce the importance of
67. Stiffly
69. In a sensible way
70. Signs

CLUES DOWN

1. Capital of Zambia
2. Article
3. Country star LeAnn
4. Egyptian goddess
5. Afflict in mind or body
6. Showy but cheap
7. Belgian urban center
8. Short-winged diving seabird
9. Deploys
10. Ballplayers can legally do it
11. Centiliter
12. Contrary beliefs
13. Type of pole
15. Distinguish oneself
18. 8th month of the year (abbr.)
21. One who monitors
24. Petty quarreling
26. Fiddler crabs
27. Touch lightly
30. American state
32. Pro wrestler Randy
35. Indicates spelling mistake
37. Macaws
38. Gradually narrowed
39. Installments
42. Female sheep
43. Politician
46. Servant
47. Said to facilitate concentration
49. California ballplayers
50. Once Toledo's tallest building
52. A type of pie
54. State of southwestern India
55. Principal member of Norse religion
57. Counterspy
59. Wellness practice
62. ___-de-sac: dead end street
63. Used to cook
66. Type of hospital
68. Direct message

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Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

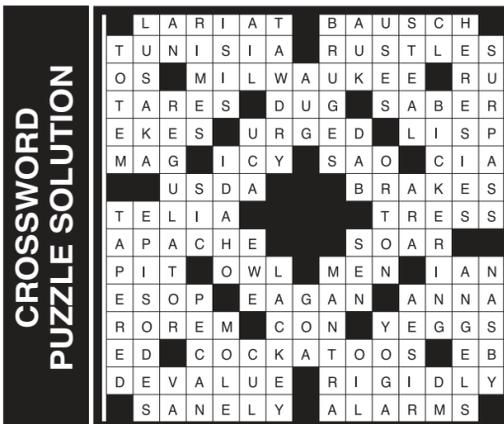


All Around Grand Marais Word Search

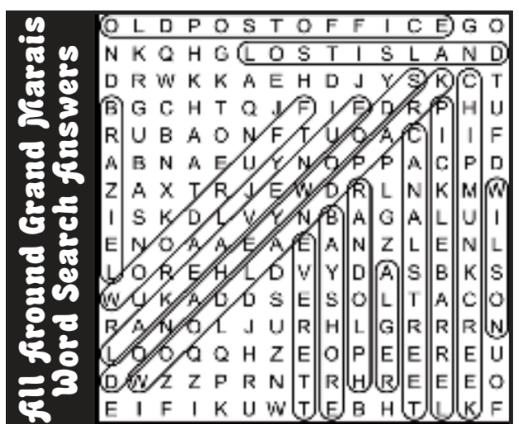


On the frosty shores of Lake Superior we find Grand Marais. Let's take a look around, shall we? Search vertically, horizontally, and diagonally. There are no backwards words in this puzzle.

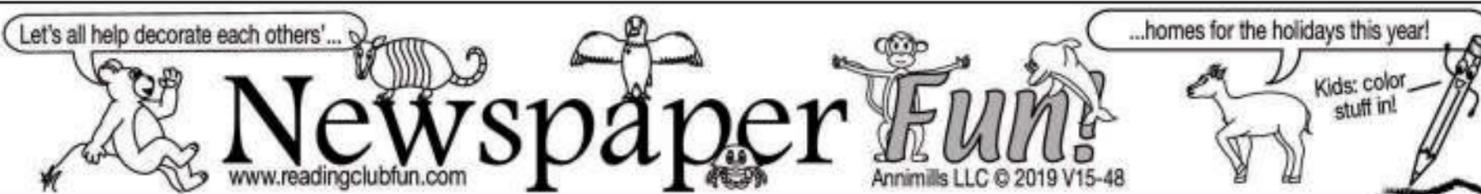
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| Brazil | Chipmunk Creek | Randolph |
| Everett | Donahy Woods | Woodruff |
| Wilson | Old Post Office | Canal Street |



CROSSWORD PUZZLE SOLUTION



All Around Grand Marais Word Search Answers



I have such a busy schedule for the holidays. This week I made little doughnuts and honey-covered puffs to take to my classmate's Hanukkah celebration. Next week, one of our teachers is going to tell us about the holiday season of Kwanzaa and some of his traditions. Then, I'm going to help Forest and Glade decorate their home with greens for Christmas. Chatter will bake cookies, breads and a Bûche de Noël – a delicious Christmas log cake – and I'll help! What are **you** and your family doing to celebrate the holidays?

- Read the clues to fill in the crossword with holiday fun:**
1. Festival of Lights, an 8-day Jewish holiday, honoring the Maccabees' victory over their enemies and the miracle of a small amount of oil that kept burning for 8 days in their temple.
 2. Jewish families use this to arrange candles.
 3. Families find their recipes for sugared jelly doughnuts, honey-covered puffs and these delicious potato pancakes.
 4. Las _____ is a celebration in Mexico for 9 days before Christmas. People act out the journey of Joseph and Mary trying to find shelter.
 5. Families make these special treats from a corn dough and a spicy pork or beef filling, all wrapped in corn husks for cooking.
 6. Families set up these scenes in their homes: a stable for shelter, the figure of the Christ child in the center with Joseph and Mary looking on, three kings (the Magi), angels, shepherds and townspeople, and some animals.
 7. Christian holiday celebrating the birth of Jesus.
 8. On Christmas Eve, delivers gifts to good children; fills their stockings too!
 9. Families _____ their houses, mantels and halls with lights, greens and a tree.
 10. A 7-day festival celebrated by African-Americans; a time to think about their lives and families; how they can help to create strong communities.
 11. People decorate, set a nice table for a dinner, light _____ and give gifts.
 12. Peanut soup, sweet potatoes, rice or chicken dishes are made for a _____.



Favorite Family Films and Fun!

It's that time of year when there are many choices for family holiday fun and entertainment: movies, plays, television shows, cartoons, books, poetry, stories, and music. Here is a list of some family favorites. Match each title to its description:

1. Lights: *The Miracle of Chanukah*
2. *Just Enough is Plenty*
3. *The Legend of the Poinsettia*
4. *Miracle on 34th Street*
5. *The Nutcracker Ballet*
6. *A Charlie Brown Christmas*
7. *A Christmas Story*
8. *Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer*
9. *'Twas the Night Before Christmas*
10. *It's Kwanzaa Time!*

- A. folktale by Tomie dePaola about a girl in Mexico whose gift to Baby Jesus turns into beautiful poinsettias
- B. dance and musical performance based on storybook; music was written by a famous composer—Tchaikovsky; first shown in Russia
- C. money is tight for the family in this Hanukkah tale; but when a stranger visits they share what little they have
- D. movie that makes everyone want to write to Santa Claus
- E. cartoon that shows the story of Hanukkah (Chanukah) and the family traditions of this holiday
- F. story, song, TV show about reindeer whose bright red nose helps Santa find his way through bad weather to deliver gifts
- G. TV special based on the comic strip *Peanuts*; Charlie Brown, Lucy, Linus and other characters talk about the meaning of Christmas
- H. poem by Clement Clarke Moore describing Santa Claus' trip to deliver gifts; "Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"
- I. movie about 9-year-old Ralphy who can only think about the Red Ryder air rifle he wants for Christmas
- J. book by Linda and Clay Goss full of stories, songs, recipes, games and crafts for celebrating Kwanzaa

LEGAL NOTICES

11/20 – 12/18 NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default has occurred in a Mortgage, dated September 26, 2003, made by John W. Zellar, Jr. and Barbara A. Zellar, as mortgagors, to The State Savings Bank of Manistique, a Michigan banking corporation, as mortgagee, and recorded on October 3, 2003, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Luce County, Michigan, in Liber 136, at Pages 573-581. No proceedings, legal or equitable, have been instituted to recover all or any part of the debt that is secured by the Mortgage, and the amount of the debt claimed to be due as of the date of this notice is \$371,176.88 and the power of sale contained in the Mortgage has become operative by reason of the default.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged property at public auction to the highest bidder, on Thursday, December 19, 2019, at 10:00 o'clock, a.m., at or near the Luce County Courthouse's interior entrance to the Luce County Sheriff's Department, in the City of Newberry, County of Luce, State of Michigan, the said courthouse being the place of holding Circuit Court in said County. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, together with interest at 4.20% per annum, legal costs and attorney's fees permitted by law, and also any taxes or insurance premiums that the mortgagee pays before the sale.

The mortgaged property is located in the Township of McMillan, County of Luce, State of Michigan, and is more particularly described as follows:

All that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 35, Township 46 North, Range 10 West, described as follows: Commencing at the North quarter corner of said Section 35; thence N89°46'E, 1862.8 feet; thence S0°05'W, 660.0 feet; thence S89°46'W, 747.0 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence S0°05'W, 200.0 feet; thence S89°46'W, 450.0 feet; thence N0°05'E, 220.0 feet; thence N89°46'E, 450.0 feet to the Point of Beginning; EXCEPT any portion of the above-described lands which may lie within Davis Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof.

Under Michigan Compiled Law 600.3278, if the mortgaged property is sold at the foreclosure sale, the mortgagors and any other person liable on the mortgage will be held responsible to the person or entity who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the mortgaged property during the redemption period.

The length of the redemption period will be one (1) year from the date of the sale.

Date:
November 15, 2019

The State Savings Bank of Manistique
Mortgagee
101 South Cedar Street
Manistique, Michigan
49854
Telephone: (906) 341-4600

Stephan L. Wood (P31675)
Attorney for Mortgagee
Herbert & Wood Law Office
207 South Cedar Street
Manistique, Michigan
49854
Telephone: (906) 341-8189

12/4 – 12/25 Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement ATTN PURCHASERS:

This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee for any reason. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, and the purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Notice is hereby given that the below mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the Circuit Court of Luce County at 10:00 AM on January 9, 2020.

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Betty Collins and Steven Collins, wife and husband

Original Mortgagee: Citi-
Financial, Inc.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): J.P. Morgan Mortgage
Acquisition Corp.

Date of Mortgage: August
6, 2008

Date of Mortgage
Recording: August 18, 2008

Amount claimed due on
mortgage on the date of notice: \$260,001.86

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Lakefield, Luce County, Michigan, and are described as:

The Northeast one-quarter of Northeast one-quarter of section 30, Town 45 North, Range 12 West, Excepting Therefrom that portion thereof lying North of Highway M-98; and also excepting beginning at a point 885.5 feet South of the Northeast corner of the Northeast one-quarter thence West 200 feet; Thence South 175 feet; Thence East 200 feet; Thence North 175 feet to point of beginning; and the Southeast one-quarter of Northeast one-quarter; The North one-half of Southeast one-quarter and the Northeast one-quarter of Southwest one-quarter; All being in Section 30, Town 45 North, Range 12 West, Luce County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: 12/04/2019

Potestivo & Associates,
P.C. 309048

(12-04)(12-25)

Village of Newberry Garbage Pick-up Holiday Schedule

- Pick up for the Dec 25th, will be the following day on **Thursday the 26th, 2019**
- Pick up for the Jan 1st, 2020 will be the following day **Thursday Jan 2nd, 2020**

It will run earlier than normal as well on both those days. Please have your garbage out early.

92nd District Court

December 2-6

Denvir Katherine Johnson, 35, Newberry: Operating while visibly impaired; Driving while license suspended, revoked or denied. 93 days jail suspended; 6 months probation; \$1350 fines and costs.

Kyle Michael Willman, 27, Newberry: Operating while visibly impaired; 93 days jail suspended; 6 months probation; \$1225 fines and

costs.
Bound over to circuit court:

Linda Lynn Lutz, 53, Newberry: False report of a felony; Perjury court proceeding. Bound over to circuit court; arraignment set for December 17, 2019.

Sara Jo Nelson, 31, Newberry: Four counts Uttering and publishing counterfeit. Bound over to circuit

court; arraignment set for December 17, 2019.

This is not a comprehensive list of cases handled by the 92nd District Court. The Newberry News will print only major infractions seen by Judge Beth A. Gibson, and felony cases that get bound over to circuit court.

Luce County Sheriff's Log

December 2-8

December 2 — Assault and battery, CR 377, Lakefield Township. Investigated, report taken.

December 2 — Department assist, East Helen St, Newberry. Investigated, report taken.

December 3 — Malicious destruction of property, resisting and obstructing police officer, East Avenue D, Newberry. Investigated, report taken.

December 3 — Weapon violation, West Harrie St, Newberry. Investigated, report taken.

December 3 — Dog bite, CR 405, Pentland Township. Investigated, report taken.

December 4 — Fugitive

arrest — failed to appear, East John St., Newberry. Investigated, report taken.

December 5 — Dog search, Newberry Ave, Newberry. Investigated, report taken.

December 7 — Dog bite, CR 377, Lakefield Township. Investigated, report taken.

December 7 — Driving while license suspended, Campbell Ave., McMillan Township. Investigated, report taken.

December 8 — Well being check, Zee-Ba-Tik, Pentland Township. Investigated, report taken.

Traffic Stops: 30

Traffic Citations: 1

Verbal Warnings: 42

Snowmobile Citations: 4

Property Inspections

Conducted: 42

Motorist Assists: 2

Liquor inspections: 0

Assist Other Agencies: 7

Assist Own Agency: 1

Investigative arrests: 4

OWI Arrests: 0

Concealed Pistol License

Fingerprints Taken: 0

Process Servings conducted: 4

Hours Patrolled: 61

Miles Patrolled: 1029

Complaints taken: 10

Bookings (people logged into jail):

—December 4: 26-year-old female, Malicious destruction of property, resisting and obstructing a police officer, probation vi-

olation

—December 5: 26-year-old male, Criminal sexual conduct — third

—December 7: 34-year-old male, Driving while license suspended

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—December 7: 34-year-old male, Driving while license suspended

REMINDER: With the new courtroom security being implemented, the only door open to the general public is the southwest door (where the veteran administration office is located/door #4).

**EMERGENCY,
CALL 911
NON-EMERGENCY,
906-495-2140
(Central Dispatch)**



MPSC approves SEMCO rate increase, orders UPPCO to release records

The Michigan Public Service Commission today approved a \$19.9 million rate increase for SEMCO Energy Gas Co., which the utility will use to replace aging gas mains and initiate an infrastructure reliability improvement program (Case No. U-20479). The utility had sought a rate increase exceeding \$38 million.

A residential customer using an average of 100 ccf of natural gas will see an increase of \$6.10 (9.2%) on their monthly bill. The increase includes a 75-cent rise in the monthly customer charge to \$12.25.

As part of the agreement, SEMCO Gas agrees to add a residential income assistance program for low-income customers with an enrollment target of 10,500 customers who would receive a monthly credit of \$12.25, equal to the monthly customer charge, and a low-income assistance credit program, capped at 2,000 customers who would receive a monthly credit of \$30.

In addition, SEMCO agrees that, in its next general rate case, the utility will propose removing fees charged to low-income customers to have their service reconnected in the event of a service shutoff.

SEMCO Gas, which serves about 300,000 customers across the southern Lower Peninsula and the Upper Peninsula, last received approval for a rate increase in January 2011.

The MPSC ruled against Upper Peninsula Power Co. (UPPCo) in an ongoing dispute over surcharges on customer bills that the consumer advocacy group Citizens Against Rate Excess (CARE) argues should be refunded

to customers based on a prior court decision (Case No. U-20150). In April 2018, CARE filed a complaint alleging UPPCo had imposed unlawful surcharges on residential customers related to a revenue decoupling mechanism, a ratemaking mechanism designed to reduce a utility's dependence on sales

of its energy commodity, enabling growth of energy efficiency measures. CARE also sought a copy of a memorandum between UPPCo and Enbridge Energy, which earlier had reached a settlement agreement in a dispute over the surcharges related to the revenue decoupling mechanism. In its ruling today, the MPSC denied a request for summary disposition by UPPCo and ordered the utility to release the memorandum to CARE, subject to a protective order.

Mackinac County Sheriff Activity Report

For the week of December 1-7 the following activity was reported by the Mackinac County Sheriff's Office:

—Deputies responded to 15 property damage accidents, 11 involving car vs. deer.

—Deputies responded to one threat complaint, one suspicious situation and one Minor in Possession.

—Deputies provided

seven agency assists, including Clark Township EMS, Michigan State Police, Straits EMS, St. Ignace City Police Department and Mackinac Island Police Department.

—Deputies conducted three kennel inspections.

—Six subjects (including two warrant arrests) were lodged into the Mackinac County Jail: three males, three females.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with P.A. 621 of 1978, notice is hereby given of a Public Hearing on the 1991 General Appropriations Act for the Board of Road Commissioners of the County of Luce on December 16, 2019 at 7:30 A.M. in the Road Commission Office located at 423 West McMillan Avenue, Newberry.

VILLAGE OF NEWBERRY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED 2020 OPERATING BUDGET

5:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2019

VILLAGE OF NEWBERRY OFFICE
302 EAST McMILLAN AVENUE, NEWBERRY, MICHIGAN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Village Council for the Village of Newberry will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed 2020 **Operating Budget** for the Village of Newberry.

The hearing will be held on **Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.** (or as soon thereafter as possible) at the Village of Newberry, 302 E. McMillan Ave, Newberry, MI.

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

The proposed budget may be reviewed at the Village of Newberry Office, 302 E. McMillan Ave, Newberry, MI during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday or on the Village of Newberry website: www.villageofnewberry.com.

The Village Council welcomes written and/or verbal comments regarding the 2020 Village of Newberry Proposed Operating Budget.

All written comments must be received by Monday, December 16, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. in the Village office.

CLASSIFIEDS

\$7 for the first 20 words, 20¢ per word after that, \$7.00 minimum. Cash before insertion.

CLASSIFIED DEADLINE MONDAY BY 4:00 P.M.

HELP WANTED

LIBRARY ASSISTANT POSITION: Reposted with a new deadline - This is part-time position that includes working days, evenings, and Saturdays at a busy public service desk. Hours will vary depending on need. Requirements: High School diploma with a college degree preferred. Candidates must have excellent customer service skills, a strict attention to detail, and be proficient with computers. Pay rate will be based upon experience. Applicants should send a letter of interest, resume, and 3 references to Tahquamenon Area Library, 700 Newberry Ave, Newberry, MI 49868. All applications must be received by Friday, December 13, 2019 at 5 PM. 12/4+12/11C26

MISC. FOR SALE

LARGEST SELECTION OF PRECUT and Choose & Cut Christmas trees in Luce County. Selection includes Serbian Spruce, Scotch Pine, Meyer's Spruce, Fraser Fir, Korean Fir, White Pine, Canaan Fir and White Spruce. Free wrapping and tree bag with each tree. Located at Merle Anderson's residence, 4318 West County Road 460. One mile south of M-28. Weekdays 3:30 until 6:00 p.m., weekends 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Phone (906) 293-5421. 11/20-12/11P6720

COMMERCIAL SPACE

COMMERCIAL/OFFICE SPACE Available, Downtown Newberry. 906-876-2525. 7/17TFC7

HOMES/LAND FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 2 bedroom house. Call ABC Storage 293-8888. 11/8TFC

SERVICES

MARK YEADON SNOW-PLOWING can now remove snow with a front-end loader and dump trailer. Also - snowbanks pushed back. Call 293-5608. 11/6-12/25C56

PETS FOR SALE

COCKER SPANIELS ready now and Cockapoos ready December 22. \$850. Call 906-291-0215 (landline) and leave a message. 12/11+12/18P14

SALE GARAGE SALE

INDOOR YARD SALE at the old Eagles building, 12020 M-28, Newberry, MI. New & used duck decoys, plasma cutters, used snowmobiles, musical instruments, traps, clothing, etc. 9am-5pm Saturday & Sunday. P9 12/11+12/18

LOST & FOUND

FOUND: Yooper Chook hat left behind at the McMillan United Methodist Church's annual Hunters' Supper. Call 293-8401 or stop in the News office (316 Newberry Avenue) to identify. 12/11+12/18

Looking for property? DNR public land auction underway

Lake views, river access, winding trails and more – in many prime locations throughout much of Michigan – became available starting Tuesday, December 10. That's when the Michigan Department of Natural Resources began its winter auction of surplus public land, offering 147 individual parcels ranging in size from less than an acre to 160 acres.

The auction is part of the DNR's strategy to efficiently manage public land while maximizing outdoor recreation opportunities for residents and visitors. Bids will be accepted through Jan. 8, 2020.

Land is available in counties mainly in central/northern Lower Michigan and in the Upper Peninsula. Counties include Allegan, Alpena, Bay, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Clare, Crawford, Delta, Dickinson, Houghton, Iosco, Jackson, Kalkaska, Lake, Mackinac, Midland, Missaukee, Muskegon, Newaygo, Otsego, Saint Clair and Van Buren. Several of the largest parcels are in Alpena, Dickinson and Newaygo counties.

"Much of the land offered at this auction is isolated from other DNR-managed property, which creates some management challenges. Other parcels are included because they offer limited public recreation benefits," said Michael Michalek,

DNR real estate resource specialist. "Several of the parcels are forested and have riverside or lake frontage and are better suited for private ownership."

Visit Michigan.gov/LandForSale for auction information including minimum bid prices, property descriptions and conditions of sale. Individual property listings will not be available for bid until the Dec. 10 auction start date. At that time, instructions for submitting a bid and printable bid forms will be provided at that webpage. Sealed bids must be postmarked by midnight Wednesday, Jan. 8, and will be opened Wednesday, Jan. 22. Request printed property informa-



DNR parcel 2047266 includes 7.9 acres for sale near Lake Michigan in Delta County ideal for deer hunting. photo courtesy MDNR

tion from: DNR Real Estate Services Section P.O. Box 30448 Lansing, MI 48909-7948

Additional properties unsold from previous auctions also are listed for sale at their former minimum bid prices. These properties are available for immediate purchase.

For more information about the sale of surplus, state-managed public land, contact Michael Michalek at 517-284-5950.

The proceeds from the land auction will help provide future outdoor recreation opportunities in keeping with the DNR's mission to conserve, protect and manage the state's natural and cultural resources for the use and enjoyment of current and future generations.

U.P. Rifle Deer Season Summary December 2, 2019 (numbers approximate)			
Check Station	# of Deer	Compared to 2018	10-yr average comparison
Baraga	133	13% down	11% down
Crystal Falls	169	9% down	1% up
Escanaba	569	2% up	5% down
Marquette	323	13% down	2% up
Newberry	89	26% down	5% up
Sault Ste. Marie	22	39% down	51% down
Norway	242	16% down	N/A

Fast Facts:

- Overall Upper Peninsula harvest for this year's rifle deer hunting season was down roughly 5 percent compared to 2018 and a 10-year average.
- Most deer checked were in good condition, with bucks around 2.5 years old or older.
- Antler development on bucks seemed to be average to below average, particularly on older bucks.
- Timing of the opening day, the date of Thanksgiving, deer activity, snowfall and other weather conditions can all affect yearly deer numbers.

CRIBBAGE LEAGUE

December 9, 2019
 Snowbirds +520
 Hawks +447
 Eagles +432
 Robins +54
 Spruce Hens -420
 Canaries -1038

Professional office space available across from the Hospital! We have various floor plans.
 For more information, please contact us at (906) 586-3814.

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 906-293-3584

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

 Laurel Lea Dev. Co.
 (906) 293-3218 or 586-3544

Manistique Lakes Storage Units Available
 906-630-6969

Luce Commissioners

- District 1—Nancy Morrison
417 Handy St.
Newberry, Michigan 49868
Home: (906) 293-3448
nmorrison@lighthouse.net
- District 2—Michelle Clark
401 West Ave A
Newberry, Michigan 49868
(906) 450-6007
mclark30@att.net
- District 3—Kevin Erickson
6417 County Road 457
Newberry, Michigan 49868
(906) 291-0069
kerickson@lighthouse.net
- District 4—Bill Henry
P.O. Box 336
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Newberry, Michigan 49868
(989) 386-6417
henrywil22@icloud.com
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24617 CR 438
McMillan, MI 49853
(906) 293-8792
phyllisfrench@ymail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE VILLAGE OF NEWBERRY VILLAGE COUNCIL VACANCIES

The Village of Newberry is seeking to fill Village Council Trustee positions. Individuals must live in the village. Any individual, meeting the criteria, who is interested in serving should submit a letter of interest to the attention of Village President, Lori A. Stokes at 302 E. McMillan Ave, Newberry, MI 49868 or email to villagepresident@newberry.mi.gov.

Submissions will be accepted until 4:00pm Wednesday, December 11, 2019.
 THE VILLAGE OF NEWBERRY IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Adult Learning Systems-U.P. is seeking a motivated, compassionate, detail oriented individual to join our management team in the Newberry area. The ideal candidate will possess the following experience and/or skills:

- Ability to operate or learn to operate a computer and fax to use email, electronic charting, and general office functions.
- Experience in managing 10-14 staff to work as effective and efficient team members
- Excellent communication skills
- Maintain an effective filing system
- Ability to be able to self-audit frequently in order to stay in compliance with all regulations regarding the operations and physical structure of the home.

Wages start at 13.83/hr-15.33/hr. Position includes additional benefits of health, vision, and dental insurance. It also includes paid holidays.

Qualified candidates may apply by faxing their resume to 906-553-7283. Attention to: Sherry Dyszel RN/CLC.

PUBLIC NOTICE VILLAGE OF NEWBERRY VILLAGE TREASURER VACANCY

The Village of Newberry is accepting letters of interest from individuals who would like to serve the remaining term for the Village Treasurer position, which expires in November 2020. This individual must be a village resident. Preference will be given to candidates who possess bookkeeping and accounting experience, computer skills, and who are willing to learn how to use municipal accounting software. Individuals meeting the criteria should submit a letter of interest and a resume to the attention of Village President, Lori A. Stokes at 302 E. McMillan Ave, Newberry, MI 49868 or email to villagepresident@newberry.mi.gov.

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One of the most pleasant and popular spots in Luce county is the county park on Round lake. It is a natural beauty spot, and the county road commission in improving the site, has made the most of nature. Improvements are being made as fast as material and labor are available, and in time it will one of our most unique attractions.

We need paper bags of all sort. Always trouble—once nothing to sell, now something to sell, nothing to put it in. Kids, gather up all the paper bags about your homes, bring them to us, and we will pay you suitably. Help us out and pick up some extra moola without work.

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Advertisement appearing in the July 19, 1946 issue of the Newberry News.

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Holiday Greetings

14 December 11, 2019



The Gospel Quartet accompanied by Bill VanEffen. (Photos by Sterling McGinn)



Strings Challenged performed two pieces.



Reverend Tim Callow



Aletha Hildebrant

“Glad Tidings of Great Joy”

Approximately 130 people listened to local singers and musicians at “Glad Tidings of Great Joy” at the Newberry United Methodist Church on Sunday, December 8.



Joybells performed several pieces.

NEWBERRY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE presents
Miracle on Newberry Avenue
Christmas Arts and Crafts Show at the American Legion Post #74
Saturday, December 14
10AM - 3PM
“A One-Stop Shop for Everyone On Your List”
Basket Raffle
Drawing at 2:00 p.m.
Need not be present to win

Holiday Traditions from Around the World

In Germany, Heiligabend, or Christmas Eve, is said to be a magical time when the pure in heart can hear animals talking. They can also see that rivers turn into wine mountains open revealing gems hidden inside and bell ringing can be heard from the bottom of the sea.

In Germany, Poland, and Ukraine, finding a spider or a spider’s web on a Christmas tree is believed to be a harbinger of good luck.

In Armenia, the traditional Christmas Eve meal consists of fried fish, lettuce and spinach.

Japanese people traditionally eat at KFC for Christmas dinner. Although the percentage of christian people in Japan is close to zero, every Christmas, kids and grown-ups head to the closest KFC to enjoy some fried chicken – the closest food to turkey that you can get in Japan.

Iceland has 13 Santas and an old lady who kidnaps children. Christ-

mas in Iceland is a colorful fusion of religion, fairy tales and folklore. Instead of one Santa, the kids are visited by 13 Yule Lads that either reward children for good behavior or punish them if they were naughty.

In the Netherlands, Sinterklaas (the Dutch version of Santa Claus) arrives from Spain, not from the North Pole. He is accompanied by black-faced boys and girls who can steal your kids if they misbehave.

Trivia from www.pastbook.com

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