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Voices

How are you staying positive while sheltering in place?

We asked people around the area how they're keeping their chins up during this scary, isolating time.

Erin McNamara
Newberry Elementary School teacher

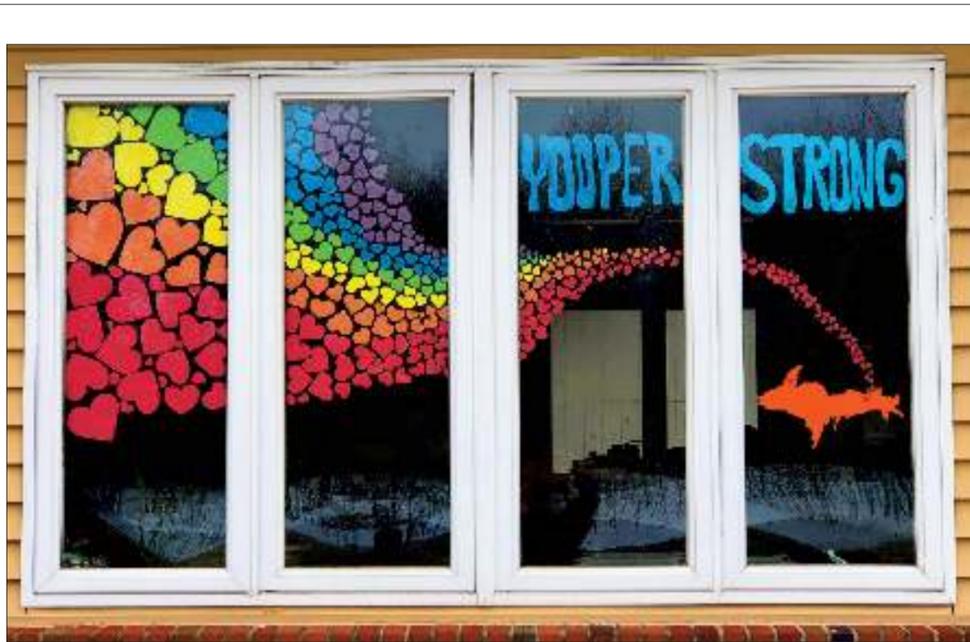
When I found out that school was going to be out for 2 weeks and then another week for spring break, I had no idea what we were in for. I was pleased that our governor was being proactive, but did not comprehend all of what was happening in our country at the time. I did know that things were happening in New York City and my sister was going to come back to Michigan as an extra precaution. Because of that it was easy to be positive since she was going to be home (she immediately did a 14-day quarantine to be safe), and remained totally healthy for that whole process.



Once the true severity of the situation started to hit home, I found myself spending far too much time reading about everything happening around. Since then I have cut down my intake of information regarding the spread of the virus.

On Monday I made my first t-shirt of my social distancing time (with my Cricut and the heat press I got for Christmas), and started to think about all the shirts that I could design and make with my new extra time. Doing that, though, would require placing online orders, and I do not want to make others have to work just so I can do my crafting. So, for now I will just focus on designing and when the time is

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Jennifer Dzelak

Heart-themed window displays are popping up across the area, and the nation, sending love from homes and businesses during this time of isolation. A Facebook group called Hearts of Hope - Yooper Strong is quickly gaining a large following.

Look for the helpers

You will always find people who are helping

By Carol Stiffler

Fred Rogers always knew what to say to make us feel better.

Mr. Rogers, as he was known, shared his intense love, compassion, and understanding with us and would have known just what to say as we face the coronavirus pandemic, arguably one of the scariest events in modern history.

"My mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping,'" he recalled.

Though Rogers died in 2003, his timeless wisdom still echoes around the world. Rogers was a champion for children, but his advice to "look for the helpers" can bring comfort to anyone, especially now.

Look for the helpers at Helen Newberry Joy Hospital, where doctors, nurses, and support staff are literally waiting for the life-threatening risk of COVID-19 to walk through their doors. They won't go home and shelter in place like we can. Though their lives are much more endangered than ours, they are brave, ready and waiting to help.

How do they deal with the anxiety? "I mop the floors," one nurse said through her face mask. "I open the windows and listen to the birds."

Other locals overcame their anxiety and donated blood at the March 23 blood drive for the Upper Peninsula Regional Blood Bank. The Newberry area usually has a handful of donors - the usual suspects - and nets an average of 30 units of blood.

"This time, there were a lot of faces I did not recognize," said Mary Nutkins, a retired LPN who assisted with the blood drive.

Sixty-three people showed up to give blood, and 55 units were collected.

"It was the best we've ever had," Nutkins said.

Elsewhere in the community, volunteer firefighter Chris Wendt devised a plan to get groceries into the hands of the sick and elderly without them having to leave home.

Wendt, who serves on the Newberry Fire Department, pitched his idea to the department: to protect the most vulnerable members of our communities. Armed with the

caller's specific shopping list, Wendt and other fire department members head to whichever grocery store the caller prefers to pick up chicken, pop, or whatever they need. The volunteer calls them with the total costs on the drive back, and the money is waiting between the caller's screen and storm door by the time the delivery arrives.

Recipients wear gloves, and keep a strict distance from the volunteers, but they are thankful.

"They're very appreciative," said John Wendt, NFD fire chief and Chris's father. "They're always thanking us for doing it."

In another effort to help the homebound, some area churches are recording their Sunday messages and airing them on 1450 WNBY and 96.7 Flash FM radio stations. The first Sunday quarantine services were aired on March 29, to the relief of church members.

"Jim and I listened to the service while drinking our coffee," said Francie Waybrant of Newberry. Waybrant sent a message of gratitude to Melinda VanderSys, See HELPERS, page 2

Local COVID-19 cases reported

On March 30 LMAS District Health Department became aware of a positive COVID-19 case identified through Michigan Bureau of Laboratories - the second case identified in Luce County. The identified person is an employee at Zellar's Village Inn in Newberry and worked at the restaurant on March 17.

Out of an abundance of caution, LMAS District Health Department is alerting the public that anyone who picked up food at Zellar's Village Inn in Newberry on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, may have been exposed to COVID-19. It is advised they self-monitor symptoms for 14 days from that exposure.

While the two week monitoring period ends on Tuesday, March 31, if you develop symptoms of COVID-19 within that time period - fever of 100.4°F, dry cough, shortness of breath - please contact a physician or healthcare provider by telephone right away.

LMAS District Health Department believes the risk is low for those who did pick-up food orders at the restaurant on St. Patrick's Day, but decided to issue this release out of an abundance of caution. It is important to point out that neither the individual nor the facility did anything wrong as the person had no symptoms on the date that they worked. The facility is cooperating fully with the investigation.

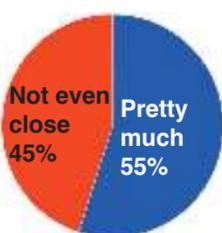
The first COVID-19 case in Luce County was confirmed March 25 in an adult male inmate housed in Newberry Correctional Facility (NCF). The inmate was placed in quarantine and tested March 16. He arrived at NCF in November 2019.

LMAS District Health Department believes the risk to the general public is See COVID-19, page 2

You voted

These are highly unusual times, and we are instructed to live differently for months on end. Lives are in danger. School is out. We are asked to support each other while remaining far apart.

We asked on Facebook: Do you think things will go back to normal after COVID-19? With 360 votes, you said:



Tahquamenon Falls taking precautions

By Dan Hardenbrook

One of the few activities that is actually being encouraged during Governor Gretchen Whitmer's "Stay Home, Stay Safe" Executive Order is getting outside. Walking, hiking, running, and biking, as well as walking your pets were among items listed as allowed in the State of Michigan's announcement, which went into effect the night of March 23.

For many tourists, this is time for spring break, and much anticipated vacations at the end of a long winter. Locals love this time of year to get out and do their favorite outdoor activities after months of being stuck inside. So with quarantines becoming a craze, and lockdowns leaving many looking for things to do, tourists and locals alike are heading into the great outdoors.



Carol Stiffler

The ice is melting at the Tahquamenon Falls, and you can go see it - but be aware many parts of the park are closed.

The Tahquamenon Falls State Park is a nationally known treasure and a favorite hot spot for many fans of the few activities that are still allowed. Park Supervisor Kevin Dennis says, "We are

still seeing a few visitors, although the number has been declining as state mandated restrictions have increased."

Despite the fact that many believe outdoor activities may be an

escape of sorts, the park is still taking proper precautions. "We are asking visitors to observe 'Carry in/Carry out' practices and to bring their own hand sanitizer as there are no handwashing facilities open," Dennis said.

Even though there may be plenty of space, Dennis says people still need to stay apart and practice social distancing.

Park visitors need to be aware of the many changes made at this time:

- Park headquarters is closed.
- The modern lodge and camper cabin are closed until May 15th.
- Semi-modern camping (electricity, no water) will be closed until at least April 13th.

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her pastor. “We miss attending church and spending time with our church family. It is great to have the church mailings and being able to listen to a church service.”

There’s more - there is always more.

Look at Linus Parr and Bob and Cheryl Powell, who are sewing face masks to give away so others will be protected. The Powells are outfitting elderly church members first.

Watch as Nancy Grewe, Four Corners resident, sends home-cooked meals to her isolated neighbor, who is in his 80s. Chicken fettuccine alfredo, fried chicken, stuffed acorn squash - heartening stuff.

Even without directly interacting, neighbors are hoping to lift spirits by decorating their doors and windows with hearts and messages of hope. They’re play-

ing scavenger hunt games and putting specific items or images in the window - a sun one day, a lighthouse another.

It’s what we can do. We can’t fix the biggest problem and make coronavirus go away, but we can hold each other close and make this hard time easier to bear.

Radio church services

Some area churches will air services on the radio on Sundays for the time being. Here’s the current schedule:

- 1450 WNBY**
 8:05 a.m. Lutheran Hour
 8:35 a.m. Bethlehem Lutheran
 9:05 a.m. Our Redeemer
 Lutheran & First Presbyterian Church
 10:05 a.m. Trinity Lutheran
- 96.7 The Flash FM**
 8 a.m. Fundamental Baptist Church of Kinross
 8:30-10 a.m. Worship music



Sara McNamara

My escape from New York City

By Sara McNamara

I left New York City on Friday the 13th of March. While I am not normally superstitious, I wasn’t pleased to be traveling – leaving my home in Brooklyn to escape the looming coronavirus threat – on a day associated with bad luck.

My office in Midtown Manhattan and NYC schools were still open when I decided, with the help of my family back in Newberry, that it would best for me to come home. We agreed it would likely be safer for me, and certainly less stressful for all of us, if I returned before the pandemic reached a crisis point in New York. Riding packed subway cars every day, seeing the fear on peoples’ faces, and hearing stories from friends working in healthcare, my hopes that the worst could be avoided in NYC were fading rapidly.

There was at least a small

chance I had been exposed to Covid-19, either in New York or as I traveled to the U.P. on the 13th, so my family and I agreed that I would go into quarantine for two weeks as soon as I arrived. We did not want to risk that I could infect them or anyone else. My parents even brought two cars to the airport to pick me up so I could drive myself to Newberry in one alone; they simply waved from the safety of the other car as I wheeled my suitcase out of the terminal.

My sister and her two boys moved in with my parents so I could have her house to myself for 14 days. She dropped off groceries a couple of times a week and dinner every night. We would chat for a minute or two through the closed screen door when she made her deliveries, but only when she was safely 10 feet away.

The first few days of my quar-

antine were the most difficult. I felt conflicted about abandoning my friends and city in a time of crisis, obsessed over checking the news and social media frequently, struggled to adjust to remote work, and worried about all the people who did not have the same privilege to do their jobs from a laptop or buy last-minute plane tickets to a paradise where achieving social and physical isolation are almost effortless.

Though I never developed symptoms of Covid-19, I am confident that I made the correct decision in choosing to quarantine. I ultimately found strategies for filling all of the empty hours (I am certain my sister’s kitchen cupboards have never been cleaner or better organized) and discovered that a virtual happy hour is almost as much fun – and considerably less expensive! – than meeting friends for drinks at our favorite Brooklyn bar.

COVID-19, continued

low at this time. The inmate is in isolation at NCF and is receiving care from Department of Corrections healthcare workers. The health department is investigating and will follow-up with anyone who has been identified as a close contact.

The first positive test for COVID-19 associated with Mackinac County came through Mackinac Straits Health System, which announced an employee that works on the St. Ignace Campus tested positive for COVID-19.

The individual is not a resident of Mackinac County and is recuperating at home. This individual does not have a recent international travel history.

An additional case of COVID-19 has been found in a Mackinac County resident. The identified person is an adult with a history of recent domestic travel. The individual has been hospitalized outside of the region.

Those who may have been in close proximity to the two individuals have been notified. To protect patient privacy and HIPAA regulations, names are not being released.

Bob Powell’s Snow Report

There were only trace amounts of snow last week, according to NOAA weather spotter Bob Powell, but don’t worry - there’ll be more. Powell originally predicted we’d receive 252 inches of snow this winter.

*See last week’s paper for monthly snowfall.

Quote of the week: Once you have a family member or a friend diagnosed with COVID-19, and your heart falls into your abdomen as you remember the friends and family members you have lost, you then wipe away your tears. At that moment, you take charge to protect your family circle. God bless you all and God bless America.

Getting to know YOU

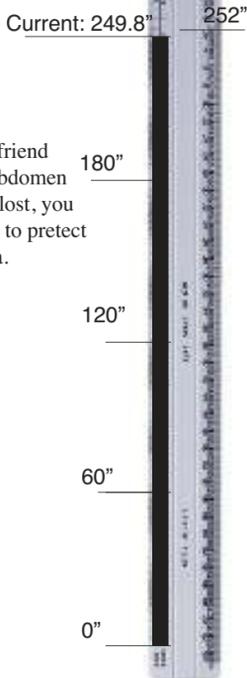
By Sarah Pleiman

Due to the Governor’s Executive “Stay at Home” Order, I’ve been unable to get out and find someone to feature this week. So, I’m choosing you. Yes, you, the one reading this small section in a small town newspaper. You, the one who has been temporarily laid off. You, the one who is doing your best to homeschool your kids during a time they will later read about in history books. This week, I want you to get to know you.

Remind yourself of the weird little things you love. Bake a cake just because it’s something that you love to do, but haven’t had the time for it in ages. Read that book that’s been sitting on your shelf because at the end most days you were too exhausted to read. Go for a walk and just enjoy the fresh air and the hints of warmth in the air. Forget the chaos around us for a bit, and think about the things that make you happy. What’s your dream vacation? If you could live in any decade, when would it be? What’s something you can do better than anyone else you know? Would you rather have the ability to speak all foreign languages, or the ability to communicate with all animals? Instead of focusing on the negative ways this shutdown is impacting your life, do your best to make the best of things and get to know yourself again.

And for those of you who are considered essential, I hope when you get home you’re able to relax, and take a few minutes to focus on yourself rather than the one topic every conversation from the past weeks seems to revolve around. Although you may not find yourself with as much spare time as the rest of us, this is a good time to remember all the positive things in your life instead of focusing on the detriment taking place.

I hope that you are staying safe and healthy. And I hope you enjoy getting to know you this week.



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- Modern camping is tentatively scheduled to open on May 15th.
 - The modern restroom building at the Upper Falls is closed. Porta-johns are available.
 - There are no trash receptacles; please carry out your waste.
 - The Upper Falls brink stairs and deck are closed.
 - The Lower Falls boardwalk and viewing areas are closed.
 - The “River” trail between the falls is closed.
- Dennis said the Upper and Lower Falls day use areas are open, and that the Recreation Passport requirement has been lifted during this event.

Though the falls are a favorite spot for many looking to get out of lockdown, everyone should be extremely cautious. “We are encouraging locals to visit, but we are discouraging people from out of the area from visiting,” Dennis explained

So how has the COVID-19 crisis impacted park visits? Dennis said, “We are probably 75% down in visitation from a normal spring. Which is perfectly OK! We would normally have a few campers each night and start to see increased day users with the spring water flows increasing. Park ranger staff would normally be preparing water systems and build-

ings for opening and performing routine equipment maintenance.”

Much like many other businesses, the Tahquamenon Falls State Park has had to change the way the staff operates. Administrative staff are now teleworking full time. The Park Ranger staff conduct daily safety inspections and security checks throughout the day.

Dennis encourages anyone who wants more information to check out the Department of Natural Resources website. The DNR has a “COVID-19 Closure” link on the michigan.gov/DNR homepage, with information on all Michigan state parks.

Feeding America Returns tomorrow, April 2

The Feeding America truck will return to the LINK tomorrow, April 2. Distribution begins at 4:30 p.m. and includes fresh fruits and vegetables, deli meats, juice, frozen chicken, and rice. Please bring an empty trunk, and stay in your car.

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Tahquamenon Sportsmen’s Club **64th ANNUAL**

KIDS TACKLE PARTY
scheduled for **Saturday, April 18th**

POSTPONED

Take a Kid Fishing!

Due to current health regulations issued by the federal and state authorities.
A rescheduled date will be announced.

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Changes in Newberry services and procedures due to COVID-19

To protect the health and safety of field workers providing essential services to utility customers, additional precautions have been put in place to screen households for potential COVID-19 infections.

The Village has minimal crew who are trained and certified to manage electrical, water, and sewer services. It is vital that they are protected from exposure. Village staff are available to assist, but new processes are in place to reduce exposure during both emergency and non-emergency re-

sponse; they are as follows:

Service work will be done by appointment only, except for emergency services. o Same day appointments may not be available; be sure to call in advance.

Residents will be required to respond to a pre-service questionnaire regarding COVID-19. o Dependent upon responses, services may be delayed.

If work is required inside a home (for example, putting in a water meter) the resident(s) must be prepared to stay outside the home while the work is being con-

ducted.

Staff will maintain social distancing and will not shake hands or come in contact with residents.

Residents are requested to maintain at least 6 ft. distance from any staff.

New utility service hookups may be delayed as work is prioritized to protect employees and the public.

The Village of Newberry reserves the right to delay services to protect the safety and health of employees.

Individuals that utilize the seasonal shutoff pro-

gram should make every effort to call several days in advance to schedule turn-on services. Failure to do so may result in a delay in services.

Service appointments can be scheduled by calling: 906-293-5681.

McMillan United Methodist cancels April fish fry

The fish fry at the United Methodist Church in McMillan scheduled for April 3 has been cancelled.

Family food vouchers available

Area organizations are working together to provide food vouchers for families who qualify to receive nutrition through the Tahquamenon Area Schools' food distribution program during the school closure. Many churches and individuals, along with Helen Newberry Joy Hospital, have already given or pledged generous donations.

To date, TAS is closed until April 13. TAS has been providing breakfasts and lunches and there have been extra Feeding America trucks; however, the closure may still provide hardships for children and families.

The Newberry Area Ministerial Association currently has funding to provide \$20 vouchers (for dairy, meat, fruits and vegetables) to those in need. Limited financial resources are available at this time. Donations for this program may be mailed to:

NAMA Treasurer
113 W. John Street
Newberry, MI 49868

Any funds left over after the TAS food distribution has ended will be used for outreach in the community.

Questions may be directed to Pastor Melinda VanderSys at (906) 291-0897.

College News

Carly Vix of Newberry has completed the requirements for an academic degree during 2019 and received a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from **Alma College**.

Bay de Noc Community College has announced the scholarship recipients for the Winter 2020 semester.

Scholarships were awarded to the following area students for the Winter 2020 semester:

McMillan: Matthew McNamara – Margaret Gravel Scholarship, George & Alice Harvey Scholarship, Joseph & Vieno Heirman Scholarship and Barbara Nemacheck Nursing Scholarship.

Newberry: Emily Smart – Bay College Annual Scholarship and Edward J Sackerson Scholarship; **Natosha Tuttle** – Naomi Hult Scholarship .

Kelley Painter of Newberry has been included on the dean's list for the fall 2019 semester at **Lake Superior State University**. To make the dean's list, students must achieve a minimum of a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Absent voter ballot applications will be mailed to all May 5 voters

Absent voter ballot applications will be mailed by the Secretary of State office to all voters in the May 5 election to help ensure both public health and democratic rights are protected.

Benson has been working with clerks across the state to determine if they need to hold an election in May. Many districts have postponed.

For the entities that do not postpone the Bureau of Elections will mail absent voter ballot applications to all voters with postage-paid return envelopes unless those voters have already requested an absent voter ballot.

Marcy's Pantry is still serving, but differently

By *Kayleigh Petrie*

Marcy's Pantry in Curtis has become an important staple to the town and the surrounding areas. With recent events taking place concerning the Covid-19 pandemic, the pantry plans to remain open every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until noon; however things will be handled differently than normal.

"As well as our regular clients, we welcome those who have recently lost their job due to cutbacks or closings," said Ethel Wells. "Marcy's Pantry does not require people to qualify in advance as some pantries do. We are happy to serve those who have recently become unemployed due to the COVID-19 pandemic."

To minimize contact, volunteers will prepare boxes of food which they will

bring to your car. There will be different size boxes for different size families. All boxes will contain at least three proteins, five grains, five vegetables, four fruits, as well as one or two household items if available. Those with larger families will receive more. Wells also said they would try to have fresh fruit available each week, though the produce would vary.

When a car pulls into the pantry, a volunteer will come out to meet them and will ask for the name, size of family, number of children, veterans, and seniors. This info is required by Feeding America. To minimize contact, the Pantry will not ask people to sign in at this time. Then the volunteer outside will convey the size of the household to the volunteer inside the pantry who will bring the box to their car.

"Most of our food comes from Feeding America because they can supply us most economically, but we supplement with fresh food each week. The boxes will be prepared the day before and that morning volunteers will add the perishable items, like meat, cheese, eggs, and fresh fruit," Wells continued.

People who wish to donate during this time are asked not to bring food, but to make monetary donations to the Marcy's Pantry account at State Savings Bank.

Some of the volunteers who have compromised health are currently unable to serve at the pantry. If anyone would like to volunteer to help either pack boxes on Wednesday or distribute food on Thursday, contact Ray White at 906-586-6034.

Read all about it...

By *Dion Mindykowski, Tahquamenon Area Library Director*

In case you weren't already aware, by order of Governor Whitmer, Michigan libraries are to remain closed until Tuesday, April 14. Our original reopen date was supposed to be Monday, April 6.

If you'd like prompt information about Tahquamenon Area Library

services offered during this shutdown, as well as information about an open date when it becomes official, please visit our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/tahquamenonlibrary. I will also continue to include updates in this column.

Whether you're an essential employee still going into work each day, working remotely from the safety of your home, or laid off during these difficult times, there is no doubt that your daily routines have been in upheaval lately. It is important to find something to make a habit each day, especially something that contributes to your wellbeing. It is also important to disconnect from social media and 24/7 news from time to time. For me, our digital collection services, Hoopla and Overdrive, play a big role in doing that.

Every morning I have been getting up before sunrise and walking 6 miles with a weighted pack, preparing for my next endurance event. While

doing this, I listen to audiobooks downloaded with Hoopla and Overdrive. During this time I am disconnected from social media and news. This is similar to the routine I had prior to the shutdown, though it is now double the mileage and, in many ways, even more valuable. It is helping to give me the same routine I was used to before everything became highly unusual. After I have completed those miles, I get my breakfast and sit down to my computer to begin a day full of library work.

About 5:30 PM every evening I go in the backyard for a workout. Since the gym's closed, I have been making due with a barbell and sandbags at home. During these workouts, I listen to heavy, fast music that I have borrowed via Hoopla. By borrowing new music via the library, I am giving myself something exciting to break up the monotony of our current stay-at-home situation. After the workout it is time for dinner and a little more library work.



Dion Mindykowski

The things described in this column are what work for me, and they won't necessarily work for you. Maybe what works instead is just taking a set amount of quiet time to read each day, even just 5 to 10 minutes before bed. Or just taking a few minutes of quiet time to relax. Hoopla even has guided meditation audio that can help with that quiet time.

Since the shut down has extended, we are keeping monthly Hoopla checkout limit raised to 10 for April. Just download the Hoopla or Overdrive apps to get started or email tahquam-circ@.com for assistance.

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OBITUARY

Thomas H. Bridges

Thomas H. Bridges, 81, Algoma, WI, passed away Jan. 14, 2020 at Autumn's Journey. He was born May 14, 1938 in Newberry, Mich. to Wallace and Aurel (Cole) Bridges.

Tom served in the US Army for three years. After his military service he worked in construction, was an over the road truck driver and retired as a recycling plant manager in Oconto.

He was a member of the American Legion in Hulbert, MI and the Operating Engineers Local Union 324.

He is survived by his children Michael (Dawn) Bridges, Thomas Bridges, Belinda Bridges (Jeff), Tina (Russ) Kingren. Step children Pam (Allen) Moore, Becky Longsine (Tim), William, Perry and Dean Vandebush. Brothers Mike (Vicki) Bridges, Pat Bridges and Robert Bridges. Grandchildren Jessica, Brandi (Ryan), Jaimie (Luke), Cassie, Donny (Kylie), Corey, Reeves, Olivia, Travis, Josh, Jeremy, Catherine and Kara. Great grandchildren Lexis, Cooper, Jaxen, Bentley, Lucas, Sadie, Mason, Harper and Rory.

Tom was preceded in death by his wife Kathy, daughter Pam Stanley, one brother Wallace Bridges, one sister Joyce Bellant, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews.

There will be a graveside service for Tom at a later date at the Oconto Holy Trinity Catholic Cemetery, North River Road, Oconto, WI.

The family wishes to thank the staff at Unity Hospice, Autumn's Journey, VA Home Based Primary Care and Lakeland Care for all their care and kindness given to Tom and his family.

The SCHINDERLE FUNERAL HOME, Algoma, WI, assisted the family with arrangements.

Express your sympathy, memories and pictures on Tom's tribute page at www.schinderle.com



DEATH NOTICE

Charles L. Ash

Lifelong Newberry resident Charles L. Ash, 65, died Sunday, March 22, 2020 at Helen Newberry Joy Hospital. He was born June 29, 1954 in Newberry, son of the late Charles and Hazel (Demarest) Ash.

Per his request, cremation services were accorded with services to take place at a later date.

Condolences may be expressed at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com.

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.



Letter from HNJH Chief Medical Officer

Dear Community:

We understand that people in our community are anxious about the spread of COVID-19, especially with the recent announcement of Luce County's first positive case.

Our medical staff wanted to send a message of solidarity and dedication to approaching the fight against this pandemic. We are all in this together. Hospitals are on the front lines and our community is fortunate to have a high-quality facility full of exceptionally capable individuals who will do whatever it takes to care for you.

We each have a role to play, and your role includes:

—Adhering to all guidance on staying at home, social distancing, and rigorous hygiene

—Closely monitoring yourself and loved ones for symptoms (fever and cough, congestion or shortness of breath)

—If you are experiencing symptoms, call the HNJH hotline before going to the Walk-In Clinic or Emergency Department to reduce the risk of potential exposure to others. The hotline number is (906) 293-9288 and is staffed 24/7 by clinicians at Helen Newberry Joy Hospital.

—Understanding that the decision of hospitals to postpone non-essential medical procedures per the Executive Order is in the best interest of the community

—Adhering to the visitation policies of the hospital

As healthcare providers, the health and safety of our community is our number one priority. We encourage everyone to remain vigilant and positive. Together we will get through this.

Sincerely,

Michael Beaulieu, MD
Chief Medical Officer



HNJH offering limited contact options for visits, requests

—Helen Newberry Joy Hospital (HNJH) is now offering the ability to have appointments with providers without leaving home via TeleVisits. For more information or to schedule a TeleVisit, call the Gibson Family Health Clinic at 293-9233.

—As Helen Newberry Joy Hospital is limiting traffic inside their facility, anyone with a Release of Information (ROI) request for the Medical Records Department is asked to print off the ROI form found on their website,

www.hnh.org.

The form is located under the "Patients & Visitors" tab and titled "Release of Information Form." It can be faxed to 293-3753 or brought to the Information Desk in the main entrance of the hospital.

For anyone who does not have the ability to print, the Admitting Clerk at the Information Desk can assist by providing an ROI form that can then be completed and returned to them.

At this time, there is a potential

for delays when requesting records. The hospital staff will fulfill requests in a timely manner and appreciate the public's understanding.

—Due to both Wellness Center locations closing, we were unable to complete final weigh-ins for the Weight Loss Challenge and will be issuing refunds of entry fees to those who signed up. Checks will be mailed in the next 1-2 weeks. We apologize for the inconvenience and look forward to holding another competition in the future.

OBITUARY

Doris June Smallwood

Doris June Smallwood, 87, of Sumpter Township/Belleville, died Sunday morning, March 22, 2020 at Evangelical Nursing Home in Saline with her family at her side.

Born February 23, 1933 in Lakefield Township, daughter of the late James and Bertha (Mark) Bowler. Doris enjoyed gardening, playing cards, crocheting and drinking her Mountain Dew.

In addition to her parents, Doris is preceded in death by her husband Garland Smallwood; siblings Leta Petosky, Amy Smith, Mabel Hakes, Margaret Mater, Hazel Harju, Arlen Bowler, James Bowler, J.C. "Smoke" Bowler, Kenneth Mater, Marvin "Butch" and two infant sisters at birth.

Survivors include her children Kevin (Brenda) Losey of Burtchville, Tony (Kim Ames) Losey of Belleville and Mellanie (Marsh) Veercamp of Belleville; grandchildren Kevin Jr. (Kristen) Losey, Keith (Veronica) Losey, Ken (Jessica) Losey, Shila (Danny Clark) Losey, Maeghan (Brian Holmes) Veercamp, Mindy Veercamp and Dagen Perdue; great-grandchildren Juliana, Giovanna, James, Gavin, Elijah, Evelyn, Emmitt, Eli, Helena, Nicholas and Eva; siblings Sidney (Mary) Bowler of Germfask, Ernest (Dawn) Bowler of Germfask, Melvin (Pat) Bowler of McMillan; several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at a later date at the West Lakefield Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association in her memory.

Condolences may be expressed at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com.

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.

CHAC and Pathways temporarily limit/close offices

—In response to COVID-19 CHAC is suspending all in-person appointments at this time. Assistance over the phone is available. Each case will be evaluated to determine the extent of services they can provide at this time.

CHAC will follow-up will those who need in-person assistance as soon as the COVID-19 restriction are lifted. Staff are available via telephone Monday and Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The CHAC Newberry office phone number is 906-293-9180.

—Beginning Friday, April 3, Pathways Community Mental Health Authority (Pathways CMH) will be closing its offices located in Alger, Delta, Luce and Marquette counties on Fridays through April 30 for the health and safety of both the public and employees.

While the offices remain closed on Fridays, Pathways CMH will continue to provide 24/7 crisis services. If you are in crisis or have questions about your services through Pathways, please call Pathways at 1-888-728-4929.

Questions About Placing Obituaries?

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Access VA care from home

The Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center is committed to providing high-quality care while keeping Veterans safe from the coronavirus (COVID-19).

"We are honoring current social isolation and distancing guidelines," said James Rice, Medical Center Director. "Through VA's virtual care tools, we are able to leverage available technology to make sure that our patients continue to get the care they need while keeping them and our staff as safe as possible during this time."

To help us address our Veterans' most-urgent needs first, the Iron Mountain-based VA Medical Center asks that Veterans use their online tools for routine or non-urgent questions, if they have access to them.

Here are some examples:
Telephone or Video Appointments – Veterans can receive care at home — either over the phone or via video using VA Video Connect on their computers, smartphones, or tablets. To set up telephone or video appointments, Veterans can send their provider a secure message on My HealtheVet by visiting myhealth.va.gov. Veterans may also call their clinic.
Prescription Refills – Veterans can request prescription refills and order and ship medications to their homes using My HealtheVet or the Rx Refill mobile app. Download the app at mobile.va.gov/app/rx-refill. Veterans may also call the automated refill line 24/7 at (800) 805-1870.

Enrolled Veterans who have flu-like symptoms such as fever, cough, and shortness of breath, should call the nurse triage line at 906-774-3300 (toll free 800-215-8262), extension 17066, before visiting their provider at the VA medical center or local VA clinic.

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Letters to the Editor:

All Letters to the Editor must be no longer than 350 words. To be considered for publication they must be signed by the author with an address and telephone number included for verification only. **Personal attacks, thank you notes, form letters and letters promoting political candidates/issues above a statewide level** will not be accepted. All letters may be edited or rejected at the discretion of the editor. All letters reflect the opinion of the letter writer and not necessarily the opinion of the Newberry News. It is a privilege, not a Constitutional right, to have a letter published in a privately-owned publication.

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Obituary pricing is determined by the number of words. The minimum cost is \$100, which includes a photo and up to 400 words. For each additional 50 words, the price increases by \$20. Death Notices may run for free, but do not include a photo. Death notices may contain the person's name, age, birth and death dates, birth and death locations, parents, memorial/funeral services and where memorials/condolences may be directed.

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The Newberry News does not charge for Weddings/Engagements as long as editing rights are given. Announcements that include an invitation or that the family wants published exactly as submitted can be placed in the paper at the rate of a display ad (\$6.00 per column inch). A photo can be included at no additional charge. Announcements are scheduled on a space-available basis.

Births/Anniversaries:

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All pictures sent to us electronically should be at least 200 dpi.

Searching for alternate care facilities in Michigan

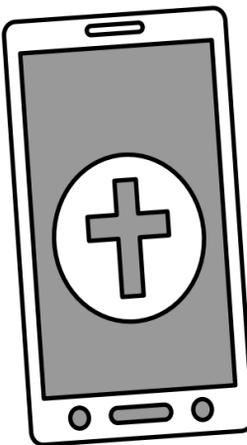
The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District, has assembled and deployed field assessment teams tasked with evaluating existing facilities in Michigan for the possible conversion into alternate care facilities as part of the nationwide federal, state and local effort to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Under this planning mission assignment from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), personnel from FEMA, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and state and local emergency management and medical personnel are conducting site assessments at multiple locations. The teams are providing assessments to the State of Michigan that deliver information on the possible conversion of existing buildings into alternate care facilities in southeast Michigan.

"The State of Michigan has asked FEMA for assistance in responding to a critical shortage in hospital space due to the spread of this virus," said Lt. Col. Gregory Turner, Detroit District commander. "We're going to bring the full resources of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and our engineering expertise to bear against this problem. That's our mission: to engineer solutions to the nation's toughest challenges."

To date, the USACE, Detroit District, has performed seven assessments on locations nominated by the State, including a 725,000 sq. ft. convention center (TCF Center), the Detroit Pistons Performance Center and two dormitories at Wayne State University. USACE is performing similar assessments in states throughout the nation.

Say HELLO to Clinic TeleVisits



Enjoy the quality of an office visit without leaving your home.

To schedule a TeleVisit, call the HNJH Community Clinics at 293.9233.



Jim's Jottings

Ohio adventures

Well we've had some excitement in our lives since we have spent the winter in Elryia.

My brother John came to the Cleveland Clinic for an operation on his neck early in March. The operation was successful, but he had to spend two weeks in a hospital bed then he was sent to a nursing rehab center just a day before the quarantine shut down visitation. He is still there. We can call and drop off some food, but we cannot visit.

Our girls, Carrie and Julia, were on their way to a cousin's birthday bash in the southern part of Cleveland. To get there they hopped on I-90, a freeway going into Cleveland. However, after ten miles of semi-

heavy traffic, Julia's car, a 2009 Hyundai all of a sudden began to slow down. She stepped on the gas but got no response. Fortunately, she had enough momentum to get over to the break-down lane and pulled to a stop. We got it towed to a garage where they found out that the timing belt broke and destroyed the engine. After spending \$2,200 for a new used engine, she got back on the road but missed her cousin's birthday party.

Just last week, I developed a pain in my lower right side back. After Nancy did some research, she thought it was a possible kidney stone and it turned out she was correct, sending me to the nearest emer-

gency room. I spent the night and had an operation to put a stint in. The stone was too large to pass so two days later I scheduled another operation. After spending five hours in the waiting room, my operation was canceled due to complications with another patient and I had to come back the next day. My doctor was able to break up the stone and I have been able to pass the pieces. Passing a stone is as painful as depicted. It has also delayed our return to the U.P.

Here in Elryia, the robins are building their nests and the geese are preparing to head north. The flowers are starting to poke through. Temperatures are in the 60's. It's about time.

Letters to the editor

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To the Editor,

Pray for all of us that have to stay away from our family, mostly the little children that do not understand that grandma and papa have to stay away. They want to see them.

Sandra Caswell
Newberry

VOICES, continued

right I will make mountains of t-shirts for myself and everyone.

As a family we have really tried to stay connected. My boys have been video chatting with their friends and we have even done a Zoom meeting with Davin's hockey team so that they can remain in contact. We have written and received letters and have just tried to do things outside to keep active and our bodies healthy.

As for school, I have continued to try to do a few things on Facebook to stay connected with my students, but it is just not the same.

Tomorrow we will be trying to do a Google Meet with them to see their faces and connect with them. We will try to do Good Things, which is a regular part of our school day to help us remember that even while we are cooped up away from everyone there are still lots of positives in our lives.

Kelly Chamberlin

Chamberlin's Ole Forest Inn, Curtis

Staying home is definitely a change for me, but it's all good. I've been spend-



ing time doing projects and reading - things I don't normally have much time to do. I do appreciate we have the opportunity to stay in touch with family and friends through technology. We are all in this together, just separate.

Nikki Costa

Work-from-home mom, Lakefield

We are trying to keep our lives as normal as possible. My husband and I are both fortunate that we are able to work from home, we get up every day as though we are still going to work.



Our days aren't without challenges. Working from home while trying to keep schooling in place for our eight year old and our three year old occupied has been interesting. There has been lots of recess time, arts and crafts as well as family time.

This is a time that our eight year old will definitely remember. We are trying our best for this time that we are spending at home with one another to be a happy and positive memory for her.

Ben Rahilly

Luce County Parks and Rec, Newberry

We are playing lots of board

games and also lots of social distancing together outside. More cleaning and cooking than normal. All five kids are home - their age range is 20 - 7.

Beth and I are still working. She is the Public Health Nurse for the County, working seven days a week right now. Myself, Katie Sue and Jeff have also been doing deliveries to people in their home for Hometown Pharmacy.

Jeff works around his college classes that got switched to online for the rest of the semester.

Missing out on the rest of the sports season is definitely a huge struggle. Jeff never got to play in his first National competition. His Davenport University DII college hockey team qualified for Nationals & was supposed to play in Texas 3/20 weekend.

Katie Sue's Kalkaska girls hockey team U19 AA Tier 2 team won States & was supposed to play in Nationals in Westchester, PA the first weekend in April.

Elisha Laninga,

Three Lakes Academy Teacher, McMillan

I think I get to appreciate the small things more. I am not miss-



ing these small moments with Emilia. I am watching her learn new things. We also have been working out together which is a hoot and now Emilia does "yoga" all over the house. I also feel more appreciative of things.

I appreciate my community and how everyone is looking out for each other. I appreciate that I can still get in contact with my students through technology. I will never again take for granted a smile from a colleague or a noisy classroom because those are the things I miss the most.

A.J. Downey

Duke's Sports Shop, Newberry

I spent some time catching fish. Caught up on the Netflix epic saga Tiger King, harvested some maple syrup, and Ros and Monica decorated the front window.



Nancy Grewe

Duffy's Motel, Four Corners

We are getting projects done around the house and trying new

recipes and cooking a lot together! I am constantly posting recipes on Facebook. I think one night this week we are doing a Polish night with perogies, cabbage rolls and sauerkraut. Facetimeing the grandkids is the highlight of our day. They are just north of Grand Rapids.



Jeff Rochefort

Photographer, Newberry

I have been mostly just relaxing while watching YouTube videos on things I like to learn about. While working on a plan for things I want to accomplish in the future. I am caught up on everything so I have time to do things I usually can't, and practice different editing techniques on pictures I have already taken.



"Andra tutto bene."
(Italian)

Everything will be all right.



Traveling through time: This week, through the years

By Sterling McGinn

From April 5, 1895

Local

—The new engine for the Newberry Water and Light Co. has been received, and is now being placed in position. The dynamo is expected every day so that it will only be a short time until the plant will be in running order.

—It is really wonderful what can be made out of wood. J.A. Shattuck received a sample of cloth made from the common spruce tree, by Spruce Cloth company of Calumet, Mich. It is intended for stiffening ladies dresses and also for men's coats. It is wind and damp proof and is likely to find a ready market on that account.

—Now is the time to select a few maples for planting this spring. They grow readily and in a few years beautify and add considerably to the value of your property.

Newberry with her wide streets and avenues would be greatly improved in appearance if its citizens would take the pains to plant rows of shade trees on both sides of the streets. How much we admire and appreciate a well shaded street on a hot summer day, and yet not understanding this fact, our people have been so careless in the past that scarcely a shade tree

adorns our streets.

A little care and attention for the first few years is all that is needed and nature will do the rest. If citizens would only take hold of this matter it would not be many years before our streets would assume a beautiful appearance. Try it good people and see if it will not pay you.

—Beaulieu and Son, proprietors of the Grand Marais livery have decided to erect a building 30 by 60 feet for their business. They will purchase a number of new rigs and add to their outfit considerably during the coming season.

From April 9, 1920

Officers Appointed by War Department to Assist Soldiers

Dr. H.E. Perry has been appointed by the war department as a sort of official advisor to all ex-soldiers in need of any information their government insurance, or who wish to make application for vocational training.

The government is offering exceptional opportunities to ex-servicemen who have been disabled or partially disabled to secure vocational training. In the case of totally disabled men the government pays all expenses while undergoing training.

Men disabled so they cannot follow their former

calling come under this class. Soldiers who are partially disabled are entitled to receive the training free but must pay their own expenses. After the course of training has been completed the government not only finds a permanent position for them but keeps in touch with him for such a period as may be required for his complete re-establishment as a civilian worker.

Debate Tonight

The East Jordan and Newberry high school debating teams will meet at the high school auditorium tonight in a joint debate upon the question of "Compulsory Military Training."

The visitors will have the negative side of the question, with Newberry in the alternative. Messrs. Chamberlain, Westin and Foster who comprise the Newberry team are in fighting trim and everything looks promising for a brilliant debate.

There is a bitter rivalry between the two teams, and it is expected the auditorium will be crowded to its capacity by the supporters of the local team anxious to hear the arguments. The winner of this debate will participate in the state contest to be held at Ann Arbor.

From April 2, 1970

Annual Easter Tea Party

The Methodist W.S.C.S. entertained at an Easter tea

for the fifteenth consecutive year in the Fellowship Hall on March 24, 1970.

Guests were twenty-five ladies from the Newberry State Hospital. The tables were decorated in the Easter theme with a small candy basket at each guest's place. Centered at intervals were plastic doily Easter baskets alternated with styrofoam chicks and bunnies between sprays of artificial nasturtiums and ivy.

As each guest entered the dining room she was introduced to a member of the W.S.C.S. and was then escorted to her place at the table and presented with a prettily wrapped gift from her sponsor. The following program was presented with Mrs. Dorothy Quinlan serving as toastmistress. Singing of hymns: Mrs. Alex McLean, pianist. Opening remarks: Mrs. Dorothy Quinlan. Welcome: Mrs. Walt Gable. Reading: "I Believe" Margaret Thomas. Piano solo: Ruth Hamachek, Skit: Ruth Stephens. Reader, solo: Suretta Arsenault. Reading: Laverne Norton. Musical selections: junior choir. Easter Wish: Mrs. Dorothy Quinlan. Table grace: Mrs. Alberta Hunter.

Lunch was served by Donna Stephenson and her committee and fellowship was enjoyed. Easter wishes and a thank you message were given by guest Ina

Martinen.

Annual Banquet to Honor Athletes

The annual banquet honoring athletes and cheerleaders will be held on Thursday, April 16, 1970 at 6:30 p.m. in the community building. The featured speaker this year is a local man, Thomas J. Taylor who is presently head football coach at Albion College.

Tom's high school days were spent in Newberry where he was named an All-Star in football in 1951. Tickets for the event are available for all who may wish to attend and are not limited to parents of athletes. Tickets may be secured from James Depew, Howard Ouellette, Ira Hanson, John Quinn or Leonard Bierlein.

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Geography

Middle School

Draw a line between the states and their capitals. How many of the 50 United States can you name?

Michigan	Phoenix
Delaware	Hartford
Arizona	Jefferson City
Texas	Harrisburg
Florida	Dover
Missouri	Tallahassee
California	Lansing
Connecticut	Austin
Maine	Richmond
Ohio	Sacramento
North Carolina	Columbus
South Carolina	Columbia
Virginia	Augusta
Pennsylvania	Raleigh

High School

Draw a line between the countries and their capitals. How many of these countries can you find on a map?

Russia	Ankara
Spain	Mogadishu
Mexico	Kampala
Canada	Mexico City
USA	Tokyo
Nigeria	Washington D.C.
Australia	Bern
India	Stockholm
China	Madrid
Germany	Beijing
Egypt	Hanoi
Panama	Reykjavik
Brazil	Canberra
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Somalia	Berlin
Switzerland	Brussels
Thailand	Brasilia
Vietnam	Abuja
Zimbabwe	Cairo
Turkey	Harare
Uganda	Helsinki

Writing Prompts

Elementary

Three to Ten Sentences Each

1. What is the most fun thing you have done since school got out?
2. What are your three favorite things? Why?
3. What is your ideal pet?

Middle School

Three to Five Paragraphs Each

1. Write about your last family vacation. What parts were great? What parts were not great?
2. Describe someone you know very well. Can you paint a picture of their physical appearance with your words? What about their personality?
3. What hobby do you really enjoy? Why? How would you describe it to others?

High School

One to Three Pages Each

1. Have you ever met someone who reminded you of yourself? How? What did you like about them?
2. What animal best describes you? Why? What aspects of that animal do NOT describe you?
3. If you could trade one aspect of your personality for another, what would you get rid of—and what would you want in its place?

Middle & High School – English

Literature

The Road Not Taken

By Robert Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

Middle School - Vocab

Fill in the blanks below with these words:

poem	syllables	protagonist
stanzas	imagery	lines
punctuation	rhyming	author
rhythm	setting	interpretation

The Road Not Taken is a _____ by American _____ Robert Frost. Frost writes from the perspective of the _____ and uses his words to invoke the _____ of two roads in an autumn forest. This is known as the _____, or location, of the poem.

The poem is comprised of four _____ made up of five _____ each. It follows an ABAAB _____ scheme, meaning the first, third, and fourth lines of each stanza end in the same sound, and the second and fifth lines end in a different sound. Each line varies between eight and ten _____. The varying _____, which takes the form of commas, periods, dashes, etc., can completely change the _____ of a poem. These changes in speed can affect a reader's _____ of the work.

High School - Critical Thinking

On a separate piece of paper, answer the following questions:

1. Can you tell what season it is? How? (Bonus: What kind of trees may be present?)
2. How does the punctuation change the reading of the poem, both in reading and interpretation?
3. Many people interpret this as an inspirational poem about not taking the easy road. Why is this interpretation incorrect?

Preschool & Kindergarten

Trace The Letters!

Then try writing them on a separate sheet of paper.



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To the students of Whitefish Township Schools

The staff is looking forward to seeing you again. We are working on getting food to you all right now.

Our next food distribution will be in a few weeks, we are going to look at getting you all back up to the school for that. Please check your emails!

Your teachers are reaching out to you and want to see how you are doing. The fish are getting big and we hope that we can see you all soon!

—Mr. McKee
Superintendent

Three Lakes Academy Notes

How are you all doing? I can tell you that my feelings about this quarantine vary from being thankful for time with my family, to worrying, to being angry, to wanting to rip my hair out!

As an adult I'm really struggling with adapting to this big change, so I can't imagine how hard it is on the kids. This week may be especially disappointing, as so many of you had trips planned. Please talk to your kids about these feelings and let them know that their feelings are valid. We are all trying to make the best of the situation we are in, but it is disappointing, maddening, worrisome, and many other things!

Since this week is our spring break time, I'll focus on fun activities to do as a family.

One idea is to plan a camping trip at home. Take out your camping gear, build forts to sleep in or go outside and build your best lean-to shelter. Cook food over a campfire, or cook camp food like hot dogs, foil potatoes and onions, and s'mores inside! Pack a picnic lunch for the family and eat on the floor or outside, if weather allows. Go out and look at the stars. Sing camp songs and tell campfire stories.

Take time to teach your kids about their heritage. Is there a meal, family tradition, story, or song that has been passed down in your family? If not, now is a great time to start that tradition! Play around with a new recipe you've been wanting to try and let your kids help. Measuring or adapting recipes is a life skill that everyone can use. Sit together as a family and share your favorite memories (these always make for great writing).

Design and execute a scavenger hunt. This can easily be adapted for all ages, can be done indoors or outside, and you can use whatever you have lying around the house!

Set up a dance or theme party in your house. Make decorations, dress for the occasion, select the right music, and have a blast!

Create an escape room in your home. Tips and ideas can be found here: <https://escapemsp.com/family-fun-make-an-escape-room-at-home-for-your-kids/>

More ideas can be found here: <https://indyschild.com/70-things-to-do-with-kids-now-that-were-all-stuck-at-home/>.

Remember that even though we're all in isolation, nobody is alone in this. If you need anything, please reach out. I can speak for all the Three Lakes Academy staff when I say that we are here to support you in any way we can.

Tahquamenon Area Schools News

Dear Students,
Hope you are all well and staying healthy.

Teachers have created packets to help you with something to do at home. These packets are review and may push you a little. They are intended to help keep those skills that you have learned sharp and to show your parents what you know. Parents love to see this stuff, yes even high school parents. I hope that these packets can spark some conversation between you and loved ones or a friend. You might even have to phone a friend or relative to help, which then can lead to checking in on each other.

Please know that your safety and health are the biggest concern right now. Keep smiling, keep laughing, and keep talking to your parents about your feelings. We will come through this and be stronger for it.

I miss ALL of you. I miss the entertainment that you give me each day. Now my entertainment is scaring squirrels off my bird feeder. LOL. Yes, I miss you!!!

I have created a Facebook page for

fun, K-6 Virtual Spirit. Here are the activities for each day.

The page for grades 7-12 is TAS – 7-12 Virtual Spirit Week.

Wednesday - Post your favorite movie

Thursday - Show Mrs. Price your hats - post a picture wearing a hat Friday - Favorite Food - Post a picture

I hope to see many posts this week from each age group. Remember to have fun and laugh. It is the best medicine.

—Mrs. Price

Parents' information:

Food Distributions are now twice a week for each location due to the volume of food we are preparing we want to keep food fresh and space is limited. If you have NOT previously informed us, and you are coming, please call 906-293-3201 and leave a message with how many children and what location.

Wednesday Writing/Reading Day: Write & photo notes to friends & family or videos of people reading parts of favorite books

Thursday - Dress up for spring!

Think spring and dress like it.

Friday - Newberry Spirit Day - wear something black and orange

Saturday - Lazy Morning Picture

Thursday, April 2 —(school pick up @ 11:30-12:30) & **Friday April 3** (bus drop off sites 11:30- 12:30)

- Breakfast: Choc Chip muffin, fruit, 100% juice cup, milk; Whole grain Pop-tart, fruit, 100% juice cup, milk; Yogurt parfait, granola, hard-boiled egg, fruit, 100% juice cup, milk.

- Lunch: Turkey & cheese sub, Lay's chips, fruit, veggies, a honk'n pickle, milk; Chicken Cheese Quesadilla, fruit, veggies, milk; PB&J, fruit, veggies, milk. *Refrigerate: Milk, turkey & cheese sub, juice cup, cheese stick, pickle, yogurt, and hard-boiled egg.

- * Heating: Veggies and Quesadilla heat on a microwave safe plate, 1-1.5 min. Caution: may be HOT.



Stacy Price

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From the Eagles' nest

A note to students



Josh Reed
Superintendent

I hope this letter finds you all doing well. We have just arrived at our Spring Break week and while things are different than usual, we hope you are able to take a moment to relax with your families. From a school standpoint, things have remained largely the same since last week's update, with in-person class scheduled to begin on Tuesday, April 14th. I'm sure many of you have heard our Governor's recent statements alluding to an extension of school closures. Nothing has been made official as of Sunday evening, but the Governor has promised an update on schools this week, so we should all stay tuned.

With this in mind, Engadine teachers and staff have been working diligently to prepare for the launch of our distance learning platform on April 6th. Our approach is to have Internet-connected K-12 students utilize platforms such as Google Classroom to receive instruction. Students will be able to connect in a variety of ways. These include the use of computers, tablets, and cell-phones. Many of the learning opportunities we are providing are optimized for cellphones and have easy to use apps in both the Apple and Google online stores. In order to make sure students and parents can connect digitally, teachers will be reaching out to students and families this week via email and/or phone.

For families without Internet connectivity, learning packets will be utilized in order to continue education at home. Packets will be mailed on Wednesday, April 8th and will include materials similar to that of our on-line offerings. Packets will be mailed every two weeks. Students can get immediate feedback on packet materials by texting or emailing a photo of their completed work to teachers. If this option is not available to you then packet materials can be dropped off at school or sent in when in-person school resumes.

Specific information about our K-6 and 7-12 programs are attached to this letter. If you have any questions about our distance learning program, or if your family is in need of a device, please contact the school at the numbers provided below. We look forward to reconnecting with our students. Further updates will be sent to you as they become available.

—Joshua Reed
Superintendent and
Secondary Principal
Engadine Consolidated
Schools



Elsewhere...

Luce County Health Department Director Nick Derusha traveled to Washington D.C. for a conference on opioids at the beginning of March, and shared these photos with *The Newberry News*. Left: the Washington Monument and above: the White House. Submit your elsewhere photos to the *Newberry News* Editor, Carol Stiffler, at nbyeditor@jamadots.com

Cover to Cover: *Driving on the Rim*

By Dion Mindykowski,
Tahquamenon Area Library Director

If you read this column a couple of weeks ago, you probably picked up on the fact that Jim Harrison was one of my favorite authors, and also that I was lamenting his death that took place four years ago.

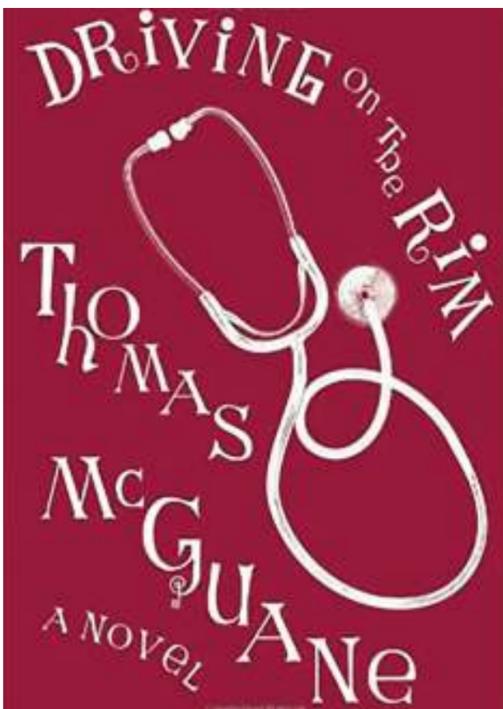
It is sad when you are no longer able to read new books from an author you enjoy so much. One of the ways to overcome this is to read similar authors. This works especially well if that similar author was also good friends with your favorite. This is part of the reason I have been working through the writings of Thomas McGuane these past few years and why, today, I am writing about his 2010 novel *Driving on the Rim*.

Thomas McGuane, like Harrison, is from Michigan. The two became friends after meeting at

Michigan State University in 1962. While Harrison stuck around Michigan a lot longer, McGuane moved to Montana in 1968. It wasn't until 2002 that Harrison made that move.

Despite having writing that focuses on two different states, the themes in both authors' book are very similar. They both focus on a rural life, a love of nature – especially fishing or hunting – and a mournful reflecting on the changes that are inevitable in rural life. This holds true for *Driving on the Rim*, which covers all those subjects.

Of those McGuane novels I have read, this one was particularly important to share in a column meant for residents of Newberry and surrounding areas. *Driving on the Rim* is a story of Berl Pickett, a small-town doctor whose past comes back to haunt



him. His experiences reminded me of life in Newberry.

In small towns, there is

no anonymity. Anything you do is potentially open to the examination of the community. Also, that

community remembers for years to come. These very things are what end up causing trouble for Pickett.

Also, in a small town, everyone is connected. The judge Pickett goes before, had employed the doctor in his youth for a house painting job. An ex-girlfriend of Pickett's had shared secrets with a woman, years ago, who is only now coming into Pickett's life as a result of the novel's plot. It is all very believable and could have taken place in any small town.

The way McGuane describes the rural medical profession is fascinating. I have always wondered about transition from door-to-door country doctor into the big business healthcare industry we have today. In the charac-

ter of Pickett, the author creates a flawed, but likeable doctor that still practices the ways of the past, despite the modern-day setting. He cares more for his patients than he does turning a profit, and makes house calls that even involve a socialization aspect, rather than just a quick appointment and then done.

McGuane is a very talented writer, giving the reader vivid, creative descriptions while drawing them into a compelling story. For those of you who avoid Harrison due to his sometimes graphic descriptions, you'll be happy to know that McGuane is much more subtle.

Driving on the Rim can be found on Hoopla, as well as at the Tahquamenon Area Library once we reopen.

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Dan Hardenbrook

Will baseball be back?

By Dan Hardenbrook

Newberry Baseball Coach Jason Tokar is in a tough spot. He wants his team together. He wants the practicing and tuning up for the upcoming season. But he also understands that it might not be possible.

“At this point, I’m trying to remain optimistic that we will have even a shortened season. However, anyone who is watching the news and keeping up to date on the COVID-19 confirmed cases, not only here in Michigan but across the country, can see that the situation may not be under control for a length of time.

As much as we all want to get back to some sense of normalcy, we have to trust the medical experts and be sure that everyone’s health and safety are our foremost concern.” Tokar said of his initial reaction to the news, “Just like everyone else I was shocked. I think it took everyone by surprise because it all happened so quickly.

The boys should be well on their way to getting ready for game number one. “In a normal year, we would have just completed the first 2-3 weeks of practice and would be heading into spring break this week. We would have been working on strengthening arms, working on hand-eye and agility drills, and been getting hundreds of reps in the batting cage. This past week, we would have been getting the pitchers on the mounds and starting working on developing pitches and increasing our pitch counts.”

Tokar says that he hasn’t had much contact with players, but they too are concerned. “I have heard some concerns from a few of the seniors about not being able to play their senior year, and that is tough.”

In a perfect world, all will soon be right and the team can take the field. But even then, there could still be challenges. “The biggest

challenge for us to be ready will be arm strength, especially for our pitchers.

Most of the baseball players participate in other sports throughout the year so they will still be “in shape” but their arm strength for throwing and pitching will not be there. That comes with weeks of repetition and throwing which we won’t have.”

How soon could they be ready? “We would have to have some type of a shortened ‘pre-season’ with practices to work on arm strength and at least work on some basic fundamentals to get players as ready as possible in this situation. We wouldn’t be able to just jump into a season of 3-4 double headers a week without some practice time. There would be too large a risk of injury to arms.”

If there is no season, Tokar said the biggest impact to the program would be the younger players missing out on a season of instruction, working on their skills and fundamentals. But, every program in the State is dealing with the same issue. When you have one player take a year off and then return to the sport, they deal with some “rust” and find themselves having to tune in their skills again. Without a season, you’ll be dealing with an entire team having to shake off that rust come next year.

Tokar says he feels the worst for the seniors who may see their final sports season slip away. “We have 6-7 seniors this year so we’ve got a lot of experience coming back. I’m always cautiously optimistic entering a season, but when you have the core of the team as seniors, that optimism is always a bit higher.

“To them this all probably seems pretty unfair. To play three years as most of them have, and then not be able to play your senior year, when you usually see players at their best, has to be tough for them to accept.”

Vaughn honored

Engadine Senior Sophia Vaughn has been named to the Division 4 AP All State 2nd Team. Vaughn averaged 19.9 points per game, 4.4 rebounds per game, and 4.3 steals per game while leading the Lady Eagles to a MHSAA District Title and a spot in the Regional Finals.



Photo by Jeff Rochefort



The Lady Indians had a difficult schedule this season and battled illness and injury at the same time.

Front row, from left: Katie Sue Rahilly, April James, Prya Rao, and Ambriah Ducsay. Back: Mackenzie Dunbar, Brenna Pavey, Jen Dzelak.

Photo by Jeff Rochefort

Lady Indians learned to adapt

By Dan Hardenbrook

One quick look at the Lady Indians 2019-2020 season could bring many words to mind. Outnumbered? Outmatched? Young? Inexperienced? But Coach Jim Dzelak had another word in mind when I asked him to describe the season in just one word: Adaptability.

“We faced challenges every day in practices and games that forced us to try to adapt to the situation,” Dzelak said. He was quick to praise his team for their attitude this season. He described it as, “Our ability to adapt and improvise throughout the season. Our hard work, effort, and that we never quit.”

There seemed to be a common theme throughout the year for the team. Short numbers were the number one issue. The team would

often have only five or six players if someone was injured, sick, or missing.

They were even forced to finish with three or four due to foul trouble on some nights. That was a challenge both physically and mentally. Playing shorthanded became very challenging. “Players had to adapt both mentally and physically in practice and games,” Dzelak said. “They had to be prepared to play 32 minutes a game.”

Despite the difficulties, Coach Dzelak did like a lot of what he saw, especially when it came to the development of both JV and varsity players. “Overall, yes. I was pleased,” he said. Two of the seven full time

members of the varsity roster were JV players called up to give the team enough members to play.

Season record

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Freshman Mackenzie Dunbar became a steady option for the girls, especially late in the year after she missed time with a concussion. Sophomore April James always seemed to be in the right place at the right time.

Dzelak praised his young players for how hard they worked and how coachable they both were. Players like that have Dzelak excited for the future:

“I feel good about the direction of the program. We have strong numbers and players developing at the middle school and youth

program levels. We have a good core returning next year with varsity experience,” he stated.

The team will lean on Katie Rahilly, Jen Dzelak, and Brenna Pavey to provide the senior leadership next season. All three logged big minutes and have played in Dzelak’s system for many years. Bailey Zellar will also be back for her junior year, and will bring a year and a half of experience at the varsity level. Six of the seven from this year will be back, with lone senior Ambriah Ducsay graduating and being the only starter that needs to be replaced.

Dzelak believes better days are ahead. “Our shooting all around needs to develop this offseason,” he said. That will be a big goal for this summer. Whatever happens, the Lady Indians will be ready to adapt.



The Newberry Varsity Boys Basketball team, from left: Logan Depew, Marco Juarez, Tristan Skidmore, Jared Wallace, Ephraim Evans, Sam Sevarns, Luke Jordan, Brayden Taylor, Eric Edwards, Aiden McPherson, Asst. Coach Nathan Moulton, Coach Kenn Depew. Photo by Jeff Rochefort.

Newberry Boys kept on fighting

By Dan Hardenbrook

It was a tough season for the Newberry boys varsity basketball team. One look at the record can tell you that. After a 1-19 regular season, it may be easy to say that this past season was a failure. But look closer, and you can see more. In a world of instant satisfaction, where wins and losses are often the only things that matter, this team may have exceeded expectations in other ways. You see, sometimes it shouldn’t just be about the final score. Maybe we should appreciate how these young men handled things rather than their game scores.

There was no quit. There was no backing down. The way they handled things became bigger than what they were doing. They battled. They scrapped. They

held their heads high. And even as the losses piled up, they kept playing. Every night. No matter the opponent or the odds. And in the end, they got better.

“They certainly kept fighting as our last five games of the season were probably our best games,” said Coach Kenn Depew.

When I asked him what the toughest part of the season was, he talked about a mental challenge instead of the physical part of the game. “Keeping morale up with the losses was hard,” Depew stated. Remember, it’s been a tough ride for this group. They struggled in middle school. They fought through tough times as freshmen. As their JV

careers came to a close, they were finally finding success. It’s been an up and down journey. But the one thing that has never wavered with this group is their passion. They may not always show it or let you see it. But I know it ate away at them. They always wanted it, and were always willing to work towards finding it.

On the court, the coach knew the challenges. “Learning to score instead of depending on the outside shot. We struggled at times to create our own opportunities. Getting to the hoop despite being outsized. Where we really lacked this year was size

and strength,” Depew said. For the Newberry boys that will be back, not just varsity, but the program as a whole, getting better begins in the offseason. Depew notes, “Off season workouts and dedication to strength training will be very important for this group.”

One of the highlights for both the players and the coaches was a shift in fan support late in the season. Sensing the tough time that the players were having, the community came to back up the boys and show their support.

“I think the guys fed off it. We played our best ball with the great crowds,” stated Depew. Led by a group of alumni, an energized student section, and performances by the band, the J.L. DeCook Gym was rocking in the final few weeks of the season.

Season record

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NOTICE OF SALE

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A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information:

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State park lodging facilities, amenities closed

Parks still open

Michigan state park campgrounds, overnight lodging facilities and shelters, are closed through at least April 13.

State parks and recreation areas will remain open to provide residents with opportunities to get outdoors, provided all visitors adhere to the requirement for proper social distancing – at least six feet between yourself and another person – in all areas of the parks.

Current amenity closures include, but are not limited to, concessions, playgrounds and play equipment, viewing platforms, fishing piers, GaGa ball bits, volleyball and basketball courts, designated dog areas, disc golf courses, radio-controlled flying fields, pump tracks, and picnic tables and shelters.

All bathroom buildings and vault toilets will be closed in all state parks and recreation areas, including those at campgrounds, boating access sites, trailheads at state-designated trails, etc. People are encouraged to plan accordingly to avoid needing a restroom during a visit.

Minimal trash services will be available, and visitors are asked to carry their

trash home. No hand-washing stations or hand sanitizer will be available. Please plan to bring your own.

Additionally, grooming, brushing, grading and clearing of all nonmotorized trails and ORV trails are suspended until at least the end of the order. When out on any trail, be aware of surroundings, including the potential for washouts or debris. To report anything that could be a risk to other trail users, call 517-331-0111. The DNR is unable to reimburse trail sponsors or grant sponsors for any trail-related work during the order.

The DNR will not be able to honor camping reservations for dates between March 23 and April 13. Reservations for that timeframe are canceled. People with canceled reservations will receive full refunds, including the reservation fees.

No cancellation or modification fees will be charged. Reservation holders will receive email notifications once cancellations are processed. Refunds will be applied to the original payment method.

For questions about reservation cancellations, call 800-447-2757.

Burn permits suspended across Michigan due to COVID-19

To keep fire danger low, permits for open burning are suspended across the state. Gov. Gretchen Whitmer issued the order Monday, aimed at further protecting public health and safety.

"We need to make sure our emergency response resources are available where they are needed at this time," said Dan Laux, fire supervisor for the DNR Forest Resources Division. "Less open burning means less potential for escaped fires, and that means staff can deal with other, more critical needs."

Because firefighters often work closely together on scene and when traveling to and from incident locations, the suspension of burn permits also will help protect first responders and fire fighters from infection by the novel coronavirus.

State Fire Marshal Kevin Sehmeyer agreed, adding: "This preventative approach to limiting wildland fires is important so that first responders can continue making medical calls during this health crisis." Open burning in some parts of the state may still be allowed in areas where the ground is still snow-covered.

Michigan DNR:

Charter fishing and guide operations are not permitted

To help prevent the spread of coronavirus, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources has determined that charter and fishing guide operations that involve boats, canoes and other marine vessels are not currently permitted.

These operations do not meet any of the variances or exemptions outlined in the governor's order as activities necessary "to sustain or protect life," and they may also congregate anglers in violation of the order and state health recommendations.

These activities should cease immediately and not resume until at least April 13. In addition to the DNR's Law Enforcement Division, Michigan State Police and local law enforcement agencies have full authority to enforce the provisions of this order.

Lakefield Township Board is seeking bids to remodel the bathrooms at the Township Hall.

Contact the Clerk at 906-586-6971 for complete details. The Lakefield Township Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Tim Teed, Clerk

Governor Gretchen Whitmer's Executive Orders, Directives

—Executive Order 2020-22: Extends the deadline to complete the canvass of the March 10 primary to April 24.

—Executive Order 2020-23: Temporarily allows the Michigan Employment Relations Commission, Unemployment Insurance Agency and other administrative hearings to be held by video conference or phone in place of in-person hearings. The order also temporarily allows e-signatures in place of written signatures on related documents.

—Executive Order 2020-24: Suspends the requirement for an individual seeking unemployment to request a registration and work search waiver from their employer; Allows anyone with an active unemployment claim to receive up to a six-week benefit extension.

—Executive Order 2020-25: Allows pharmacists to dispense emergency refills of prescriptions for up to 60 days' worth of supply for patients and require insurers to cover these emergency refills during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. The order will also allow pharmacists to dispense COVID-19 treatments according to government-approved protocols.

—Executive Order 2020-26: Pushes all April 15, 2020 state and city income tax filing deadlines in Michigan to July 15, 2020. Cities with

income taxes due on April 30 will now be due on July 31.

—Executive Order 2020-27: Encourages Michiganders to vote absentee by allowing the Department of State to assist local jurisdictions in mailing absentee ballot applications to every registered voter, and to provide absentee ballots directly to new registrants. Local jurisdictions will still need to keep at least one polling place open for those who wish to vote in-person or are unable to vote by mail.

—Executive Order 2020-29: Details risk-reduction protocols that have been adopted and implemented by the Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC) and that county jails and local lockups are strongly encouraged to adopt. The order also temporarily suspends transfers into and from MDOC facilities until risk-reduction protocols are adequately in place, suspends provisions of the Jail Overcrowding Emergency Act to allow local officials more flexibility in releasing vulnerable populations who do not pose a threat to public safety, and orders the State Budget Office to immediately seek a legislative transfer so that jails may be reimbursed for lodging prisoners who would have been transferred to MDOC if not for that suspension of transfers.

—Executive Order 2020-30: Re-

laxes scope of practice laws to give hospitals and other healthcare facilities the flexibility they need to successfully deploy qualified physician assistants, nurses and other health care providers to combat COVID-19.

—Executive Directive 2020-3: Temporarily restricts discretionary spending by state departments and agencies while they work to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Michigan.

—Executive Directive 2020-4: Temporarily suspends hiring, creating new positions, filling vacant positions, transfers and promotions within the executive branch of state government.

— President Trump approved Governor Whitmer's request for a Major Disaster declaration in Michigan on March 27. Michigan is now eligible for participation in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) programming to provide relief for Michiganders impacted by the pandemic.

—Executive Order 2020-31: Suspending the April 1 requirement for lower vapor pressure gasoline. The order takes effect immediately and expires on April 30, 2020.

—Executive Order 2020-32: Places a temporary restriction on non-essential veterinary procedures during the COVID-19 pandemic beginning March 31.

NOTICE

The TASA Annual Meeting & Election of Officers scheduled for Tuesday, April 14 HAS BEEN CANCELED

Pentland Township Notice of Trustee Vacancy on the Township Board

Pentland Township is seeking applicants for a vacant Trustee position on the Township Board.

The responsibilities of a Trustee include but are not limited to:

- fiduciary responsibility to manage the affairs of the township
- attend township board meetings
- participate in decisions that are in the best interest of the public

This appointment will expire on November 20, 2020. Appointees (and anyone else) may run for election to a full four-year term on the Board.

The Township Board expects to fill this seat at its meeting on Tuesday, April 12, at 7pm at the Pentland Township Hall.

Letters of interest must be received no later than 4:00 pm on Friday, April 10, 2020, by one of the following methods:

- by email to PentlandTwpClerk@gmail.com
- in person at the township's utility office at 13105 County Road 400
- by mail to Pentland Township, PO Box 412, Newberry, MI 49868

If you have questions regarding the important role and responsibilities of a Township Trustee, please contact Pentland Township Clerk Greg Rathje at the email address above.

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

SEASONAL MUSEUM JOBS AVAILABLE at Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum, Whitefish Point, Michigan. Seeking retail sales, custodial/maintenance, housekeeping, marine operations, and tour guide personnel. Competitive wages and flexible schedules, full or part time. Please contact Bruce Lynn, Executive Director, at 906-635-1742, or blynn@shipwreckmuseum.com
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LOST & FOUND

FOUND: Helen Newberry Joy Hospital card. Call 293-8401 or email nbynews@jamadots.com to identify.
4/1+4/8

FOR RENT

FOR RENT IN NEWBERRY: Nice 1-bedroom home with main floor laundry, convenient to hospital. ALSO, 2-bedroom ranch-style duplex with laundry near hospital. 450-3770.
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Luce County Sheriff's Log

March 23-29

March 24 – Fugitive arrest, CR 430, McMillan Township. Investigated, report taken.

March 24 — Child custody dispute, CR 397, Pentland Township. Investigated, report taken.

March 28 – Attempted larceny of bicycle/from a vehicle, Newberry Ave, Newberry. Investigated, report taken.

March 29 — Sale of opioids, E. Harrie Street, Newberry. Investigated, report taken.

March 29 — Unwitnessed death, E. Avenue C, Newberry. Investigated, report taken.

Hours Patrolled: 24
Miles Patrolled: 671
Complaints taken: 5

Bookings (people logged into jail):
March 29 — 57-year-old male, Operating while intoxicated – snowmobile

NOTICE REGARDING CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS

This is to advise that the Luce County Sheriff's Dept., is now closed to walk-in traffic. If you have a complaint, please call 911. Otherwise you can still call 906-293-8431 which our phone number Monday thru Friday 8am to 4pm to speak with staff.

This policy will stay in effect until further notice. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Thank you for your understanding during this crazy time. May you all stay safe.

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

Traffic Stops: 3
Traffic Citations: 3
Verbal Warnings: 2
Motorist Assists: 3
Property inspections: 52
Liquor inspections: 0
Assist Other Agencies: 3
Assist Own Agency: 1
Investigative arrests: 1
OWI Arrests: 0
Concealed Pistol License Fingerprints Taken: 0
Process Servings conducted: 4

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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Cut and Split Delivery Available
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906-293-3584

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
File Your Claim By Last Name

ONLINE FILING SCHEDULE:	CALL CENTER FILING SCHEDULE:
<p>michigan.gov/uia</p> <p>A-L FILE CLAIMS Monday Wednesday Friday</p> <p>M-Z FILE CLAIMS Sunday Tuesday Thursday</p> <p>Saturday if you missed your days WEBSITE IS 24/7</p>	<p>1-866-500-0017</p> <p>A-L CALL ON Monday & Wednesday</p> <p>M-Z CALL ON Tuesday & Thursday</p> <p>Friday if you missed your days 8AM-5PM MON-FRI</p>

The day or time of day in which a claim is filed will not impact whether you receive benefits or your benefit amount. Additionally, your claim can be backdated to reflect the date you were laid off or let go due to COVID-19.

Unemployment Benefits Increased and Expanded

Governor Whitmer has announced new programs for workers affected by COVID-19. The governor, under the federal CARES Act, signed an agreement between Michigan and the U.S. Dept. of Labor to implement Pandemic Unemployment Assistance and Compensation programs that grant benefits to workers who do not already qualify for state unemployment benefits.

Workers include self-employed, 1099-independent contractors, gig, and low-wage workers who can no longer

work because of the pandemic. The agreement also increases weekly benefits for all unemployed workers by \$600 a week and extends benefit payments from 26 to 39 weeks. If someone has already applied for unemployment benefits, you DO NOT need to reapply at this time.

You have 28 days from your last day of work to apply for benefits. UIA understands the urgency that benefit recipients are experiencing, but the fastest way to secure benefits is to follow the UIA guidelines.

Coronavirus Updates, Challenges, and Reassurances from LMAS District Health Department

At LMAS District Health Department, we understand that the Novel Coronavirus, which causes Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), is causing much anxiety in our communities and that residents have many questions.

LMAS, our UP Healthcare Providers, other UP health departments, and emergency managers are working diligently to provide you with the most up to date information on this rapidly evolving situation.

Following is a brief overview of the current situation. For more information and FAQ's, we recommend you call the Michigan Hotline at 1-888-535-6136 or visit Michigan.gov/coronavirus or CDC.gov/COViD19.

WHAT IS KNOWN:
—There is no vaccine or treatment currently available for COVID-19. Mitigation is the best defense, slowing and reducing the spread of the virus by decreasing human interaction. Governor Whitmer's Executive Order on March 23, 2020 called "Stay Home, Stay Safe" is an important part of slowing and reducing the spread. Cooperation of everyone to abide by the Governor's order could make the difference between life and death for some area residents.

—Currently in Michigan, the age group with the highest percentage of cases are those between the ages of 50-69 years old.

LMAS District Health Department urges residents to continue to be cooperative with recommendations to keep yourself and others safe. This includes following the "Stay Home, Stay Safe" orders.

People who are mildly ill with COVID-19 are able to safely recover at home. Seek medical care if your symptoms worsen by calling ahead to your provider. COVID-19 symptoms may appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms include fever, cough, and shortness of breath.

Just because you may not be in a high risk group, if you are infected, you will likely infect others and they may have much more severe complications, including death.

While there are still some shortages, LMAS has been able to obtain more test kits and provide them to the hospitals in our counties. Orders for additional kits are being placed on a regular basis to maintain an adequate supply.

Even those not in high risk groups MUST take the executive order instructions seriously, because they can

infect others who may be at high risk of serious and possibly fatal complications. This is the time to care about each other, not to decide to defy the Governor's instructions and put the health of others at risk.

One final note is related to the Snowbirds who will be returning to their UP residences in the coming days and weeks. LMAS District Health Department asks returning residents and their family members to remember the following:

1. Persons returning from winter homes in other parts of the United States (or other countries) where the coronavirus has been more prevalent, will of course be under Governor Whitmer's "Stay Home, Stay Safe" executive order.

2. LMAS suggests that those returning from their winter homes consider remaining in self-quarantine at their UP residence for 14 days. This is in-line with the Governor's "Stay Home, Stay Safe" order. Other family members or friends could provide needed groceries and other essentials as needed, but with no direct contact.

These are difficult times for everyone, but if we all work together, we can reduce the spread of the coronavirus and protect all families in the region.

Looking for ways to help?

Here are some suggestions

With many hospitals throughout Michigan facing potential shortages of facemasks and other essential medical supplies and personal protective equipment, Governor Gretchen Whitmer called upon Michiganders and businesses to donate items needed most by hospitals and medical providers.

Donations of essential items will be used to meet medical providers' most pressing needs during the COVID-19 pandemic. Below are the material donations most needed by hospitals. This list will be updated as efforts continue to progress.

Items most needed at this time:
—Hospital Gowns
—Ventilators
—Sanitizer (Hand/ Wipe)
—Gloves
—Surgical Masks
—Masks N95-N100
—No-Touch Thermometers

Donations can be directed to the Michigan Community Service Commission at mailto: COVID19dona-

tions@michigan.gov or 517-335-4295.

Additionally, Governor Whitmer and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services launched a new volunteer website, www.michigan.gov/fightcovid19, where trained medical professionals can register to serve their fellow Michiganders by assisting hospitals in fighting COVID-19. Other state residents also can use the site to find out how they can help in their local communities, give blood, donate money or needed medical supplies, or assist public health officials in tracking infections.

DEBT PROBLEMS
• Creditors Harassing You?
• Wages Being Garnished?
• House in Foreclosure?
• WE CAN HELP.
DAVID E. BULSON, ATTORNEY
Sault Ste. Marie Office: (906) 632-1118
Marquette Office: (906) 226-3400
This law firm helps people & businesses in debt file bankruptcy. We also help people & businesses settle debts outside of bankruptcy.

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APARTMENTS FOR RENT
Laurel Lea Dev. Co.
(906) 293-3218 or 586-3544
Manistique Lakes Storage Units Available 906-630-6969

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:
The Village of Newberry wishes to inform our customers that we will be flushing our water system from April 6th through April 30th. Customers may, at times during the flush, notice discolored water, lower pressure, or a complete outage for short periods. The flushing timeframe has been extended due to COVID-19 and the need for social distancing. We ask that residents do not approach the staff when they are working. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the office at 906-293-5681.
Thank you for continued cooperation and patience.

NOTICE – HELP WANTED
The Luce County Road Commission will be accepting applications for the following position until 2:00 P.M. Friday, April 10, 2020.
FULL TIME – TRUCK DRIVER – EQUIPMENT OPERATOR (CDL License with B Endorsement Required) (Must have Class A Endorsement within 180 working days from hire) (N Endorsement Additionally Preferred)
Please contact Pam at (906) 293-5741 or office@lcr48.org
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The Luce County Clerk's Office is seeking someone to fill the position of
Deputy Register of Deeds/ Deputy Circuit Court Clerk
Applicants must possess a high school diploma, have a general understanding of land descriptions and basic knowledge of legal documents, proficient in various computer programs and excellent customer service skills. Please submit resume and three references to lucoclrk@lighthouse.net by 4:00p.m. Friday, April 10, 2020.

Mackinac County Sheriff's Office: Weekly Activity Report

For the week of March 22–28 the following activity was reported by the Mackinac County Sheriff's Office:

- Traffic accidents reported involved the following: Seven car/deer accidents
- Deputies provided assistance to the following Agencies: Michigan State Police and EMS
- Deputies responded to two suspicious activities and conducted one civil stand-by.
- Deputies took one larceny of fuel complaint.
- Deputies rescued one deer on the ice, responded to a deer in the roadway complaint and one animal at large.
- Deputies investigated one open door complaint.
- Deputies responded to two 9-1-1 hang-ups, and conducted one well-being check.
- Deputies found a lost license plate.
- Two subjects were booked into the Mackinac County Jail.

Deputy Eli Leach - 4931
Mackinac County Sheriff's Office

