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Briefs

Feeding America here tomorrow

There will be a Feeding America mobile food pantry tomorrow, Thursday, October 8, starting at 2 p.m. at the Luce County LINK on West Helen Street in Newberry.

Those attending should have room available in their vehicles so box(es) of food can be loaded inside. You will not need to get out of your vehicle.

Two more staff test positive at prison

Two members of the Newberry prison staff have tested positive for coronavirus, according to a report from the Michigan Department of Corrections. That brings the total of infected staff members to 10, though at least seven have since returned to work.

Inmates and staff will be tested every Tuesday until there are no new positive cases in 14 days.

COVID by county

It has been a very COVID week.

The Upper Peninsula continues to rack up cases, particularly in the western U.P. Delta County now reports having a staggering 630 cases and 10 deaths, higher than the much more populous county of Grand Traverse in lower Michigan, which has seen 473 cases and 9 deaths.

The Upper Peninsula as a whole has now seen 2,939 confirmed and 466 probable cases of COVID-19, and 45 deaths. Numbers for each county are below.

County	Cases	Deaths
Alger	21	0
Baraga	36	3
Chippewa	54	0
Delta	630	10
Dickinson	235	3
Gogebic	166	1
Houghton	583	3
Iron	254	10
Keweenaw	14	0
Luce	16	0
Mackinac	62	0
Marquette	369	12
Menominee	419	3
Ontonagon	45	0
Schoolcraft	35	0

The U.P. saw 661 confirmed cases, 117 probables, and 15 deaths over the week.



Contributed

Students at Newberry High School fill the halls between classes on Tuesday, October 6. It's homecoming week, and masks are required, but may not look all that out of place this week. That's Katie Sue Rahilly under a wig at far right.

COVID hits at schools

By Carol Stiffler

Perhaps it was only a matter of time.

After a relatively mild first six months of the coronavirus pandemic, it has infiltrated the region with enough success to shut down entire school districts, cancel individual sports games, and one day of school at Tahquamenon Area Schools.

And then, after an initial report late Friday of one COVID case at Three Lakes Academy, three more were quickly discovered. School on Monday had been canceled for a deep cleaning of the Curtis school. By the end of the day, word came that the school building at Three Lakes will stay closed for at least two weeks, and students will learn from home until at least October 19.

Due to privacy laws, the names of those diagnosed have not been released.

"LMAS Health Department is performing contact tracing and will identify all close contacts (less than 6 feet for at least 15 minutes) to these individuals," said a statement from the school. "If you are not contacted, your child is not a close contact of these individuals and therefore your child is not required to quarantine."

Parents expressed frustration on social media at not knowing if their children had been exposed at school.

Details are scarce, and even those contacted by the health department will not be told who has tested positive.

The COVID outbreak at local schools came simultaneously with an announcement from Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer, who said she had reverted the Upper Peninsula to Phase 4 as a result of the region's recent spike in positive cases.

Whitmer acknowledged that the Upper Peninsula has a lower percentage of people wearing masks and urged Yoopers to wear face coverings to limit the spread of the disease.

She released a video on Monday, pleading with the state to follow health department guidelines she has been citing for months.

"The CDC and public health experts agree that wearing masks and practicing safe physical distancing are crucial to slow the spread of the virus, protect our front-line workers, and keep our schools and small businesses open," said Whitmer. "Michiganders, here's what we need you to do: please take this virus seriously by wearing a mask when you go out, washing

hands, and maintaining six feet of physical distance. Get a flu shot. Taking this action is essential to keeping our small businesses and schools open. COVID 19 didn't stop being a threat because the court ruling, or because

School closures

Tahquamenon Area Schools were closed on Friday, October 2.

Three Lakes Academy initially closed on Monday, October 5, then announced the building would remain closed to students until the 19th.

Remembering the old 'Little Brown Jug' game

By Sterling McGinn

The Newberry High vs. Sault High School "Little Brown Jug" became the symbol of one of the best-known football rivalries in the Upper Peninsula.

The prized piece of crockery was a traveling trophy kept in the possession of the winning team each year.

The origin of the jug is a matter of folklore, and legends have circulated for decades. A Sault High student heard a story about the 1910 University of Michigan football team inadvertently leaving their jug in Newberry on their return home from the annual Uni-



Soo High football players hold decades of history in their hands, recorded on the Little Brown Jug.

versity of Minnesota game. Another source states the jug was returned to the University of Michigan in exchange for a replica,

which was presented to the 1925 NHS team. Others claim the jug was left in Newberry in 1911 by the Sault High team. The

Newberry coach told the Sault if they wanted it back they would have to win it in a game.

Although the stories have been passed around for generations of players, The legends probably came from the famous "Little Brown Jug" rivalry between Michigan and Minnesota.

The actual origin of the Newberry/Sault jug dates back to at least 1925. An item in the *Sault Evening News* of January 22, 1934 stated, "The jug was out of commission." The short article said the present guardian of the jug, George Craft explained it was a personal belonging of his

son who was a member of the NHS football team that won the jug from the Sault in 1925. Coach O. E. Johnson presented the jug to Lyle Craft for making the team as a freshman.

Two years later, the jug used in the last 78 years was purchased in 1936 for less than a dollar. A former Sault High lineman, J. Harry Burriss bought the jug at a Lion's white elephant sale, because it resembled the "Little Brown Jug" used by the Universities of Michigan and Minnesota.

The newly purchased jug

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And now, for some good news

The grandbabies are coming! Joe and Michelle Teske just welcomed their first grandson, Xayver. Carol Waltman is eagerly waiting on twin grandsons, and Darlene Massey will have her 11th grandchild in January!

We are looking for nice, happy, or positive things that have happened during this difficult year. Did you master sourdough? Plant a hydrangea? Take your family camping? Let us know at nbyeditor@jamadots.com



SCHOOL, continued

stop being a threat because the court ruling, or because we've tired of it, or because the legislature left town.

"Let us not squander the sacrifice we have made to get to this point."

Whitmer's executive orders have been called into question after the Michigan Supreme Court issued a 4-3 ruling last week that her extended emergency powers are unconstitutional. In response, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services issued its own emergency order restricting gathering sizes and mandating masks and face coverings in public.

The Newberry News reached out to Tahquamenon Area Schools and Three Lakes Academy for this story, but did not hear back by press time. We will continue to follow this story.

LMAS, continued

from this coronavirus (recovered is defined as still being alive 30 days after onset of symptoms), but are still dealing with new health problems - ongoing fatigue, damage in cardiovascular, pulmonary, and neurological systems - otherwise healthy individuals who may now have lifelong effects of having had COVID-19.

LMAS is asking you to continue to wear cloth face coverings, maintain at least 6 feet of distance from those not in your household, stay home when you don't feel well, and wash your hands. Will you help us as we work to take care of each other in our communities? Will you do these very small things to make a very big difference?

Politicians & pandemics



Pictures courtesy of James Mattson



Dana Ferguson and his wife, Christie, spoke to democratic constituents outside Chamberlin's Ole Forest Inn Monday, October 5. Social distancing and face masks were enforced. Dana Ferguson is running against Republican Jack Bergman for the 1st District of Michigan.

Newberry Fire Department called to Zellar's Village Inn



Lauren Burton

Villagers were thrown for a loop Tuesday morning when the fire siren began blaring at the Newberry Fire Station. Firefighters rushed to Zellar's Village Inn on M-123, where staff reported they initially smelled smoke, which soon after began filling the dining room. The building was evacuated as firefighters looked for the source, but no flames were found, according to firefighter Christopher Wendt on the scene. Village of Newberry workers quickly disabled the gas and electric to the building as a safety measure.

Breaking: DNR to construct new mass-timber facility in Newberry

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources will use mass timber - an innovative technology to build large buildings from wood - to construct a \$5 million facility in Newberry.

The new building, still in the design stages, will house both the DNR's customer service center and field offices in Newberry, in the eastern Upper Peninsula. Current facilities are outdated. The new building will include about 10,000 square feet of office space, 16,500 square feet of garage space and a community room that will be available for public use. Funding was approved when Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signed the fiscal year 2021 budget last week.

"We are excited to be on the cutting edge of this new technology to build a facility the public can use and enjoy," said Shannon Lott, DNR deputy director.

Lott has played a critical role on the DNR's mass-timber team, which co-sponsored a statewide summit about mass timber with the Michigan Forest Biomaterials Institute.

Mass timber can substitute for con-

crete and steel, and is sustainable. It is a construction system that uses large solid or engineered wood columns, beams and panels to create multistory buildings from renewable materials. The construction technique is becoming more common in areas such as the Pacific Northwest and parts of Europe but is new to the Midwest. Construction is typically faster than traditional concrete-and-steel building because components are manufactured off-site and delivered just-in-time for installation.

"Michigan has 20 million acres of forest land and a growing forest products industry worth over \$20 billion," Lott said. "This building will help showcase both of these Michigan assets."

Unlike steel and concrete, the wood used in mass-timber buildings helps take carbon out of the atmosphere. As trees grow, they absorb carbon from the air and sequester it for long periods of time. The carbon benefit remains even after a tree is converted to wood.

DNR-managed forests, covering nearly 4 million acres, are certified as

sustainable by two independent organizations.

The new Newberry building is planned on the same site as the existing DNR field office, on M-123 about 1.5 miles north of M-28.

Design of the building had begun before COVID-19 caused a halt in many projects this spring, said Dave Graham, a program manager with the DNR's Finance and Operations Division who is on the team developing the project.

"We're looking toward the end of the year. We'll be nailing down the design and getting a better idea of the costs and the timeline," he said.

The Newberry building is one of a few mass-timber projects in the works in Michigan. Michigan State University is nearing completion of its new STEM Teaching and Learning Facility, which created a 117,000-square-foot building out of the old Shaw Lane power plant with multistory mass timber additions. Michigan Technological University is planning a mass-timber complex to serve its engineering and health technology programs.

COVID testing updates around the EUP

Free COVID-19 testing will take place at the Kewadin Casino parking lot in St. Ignace on Thursday, October 8 from 10:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Testing is open to tribal and non-tribal individuals ages 6 and up. Please bring photo ID. Testing will be nasal, not nasopharyngeal. That means the sample will be taken

from the nostril, and not from deep within the sinuses.

At War Memorial Hospital, testing hours at the drive-through have changed.

As of September 28, the hours are 9 - 11:45 a.m., Monday - Friday.

Closure dates in October are Oct. 16 and 30.

Weather Records by Bob

We had a high of 62 and low of 32 over the past week, with 0.67 inches of precipitation. Here are local NOAA Weather Spotter Bob Powell's most recent recordings for Newberry.

Wednesday Sept. 30	Thursday Oct. 1	Friday Oct. 2	Saturday Oct. 3	Sunday Oct. 4	Monday Oct. 5
High 57 Low 46	High 54 Low 38	High 48 Low 37	High 50 Low 37	High 45 Low 32	High 49 Low 32
Rain 0.00	Rain 0.15	Rain 0.07	Rain 0.01	Rain 0.07	Rain 0.03

Send your news and updates to nbynews@jamadots.com

Pandemic or not... if you don't get out of the house soon, we won't be held responsible for your spouse's actions.
(The Halloween decorations are giving her ideas...)

Don't forget to visit Billie's Little Store when designing your little ghouls & goblin costumes for Halloween!
Please be considerate and wear a mask indoors. If you're unable to wear a mask, we offer curbside service!

Billie's Little Store
206 Newberry Avenue 293-3242
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(closed for lunch)

Helen Newberry Joy Hospital LOVES PAs

On behalf of Helen Newberry Joy Hospital & Healthcare Center's Board of Trustees, Administration, and Staff, we'd like to thank our Physician Assistants for their tireless efforts to our patients and our community.

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Luce County Animal Shelter

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Lenny

Hi everyone! My name is Leonard, but my friends call me Lenny. I was born here at the Luce County Animal Shelter ten weeks ago, along with my five brothers and sisters. I would love to find my forever home, just like they did. I'm shy at first, but once I get to know you, I'll never leave your side. Just make sure to have some toys ready for me, I'm still a kitten and full of playful energy. I've already gotten fixed, and am up to date on all my shots.

Give us a call at (906) 293-6622 for an adoption application and to set up an appointment to meet him.

Visit lucepetspals.org for information on how to donate or volunteer at the shelter. Luce County Pet Pals, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

Lenny and the rest of the animals can't wait to meet you, however the shelter is currently not open to drop-in visits. We ask that you make an appointment by calling the number above.

Village of Newberry Recycling Guidelines

What can be recycled?

Separate materials & place in the corresponding opening of the Recycling Container per the instructions below:

CLEAN MIXED PAPER

- No carbon paper
- No wax paper
- No gift wrapping paper
- No hardcover books
- No labeling/packaging
- No Styrofoam

Please bag if pre-shredded and keep dry.

CLEAN PLASTIC & METAL CONTAINERS

Identify plastics by symbol # on bottom of container:

ONLY   Accepted

- No oil/antifreeze containers
- No 5-gallon pails
- No toys
- Tin, Steel, & Aluminum cans accepted
- No glass
- No loose lids
- No covers/caps
- No foil/pie tins

Please rinse well, must be completely empty

CLEAN CARDBOARD

- No food/drink boxes
- No wax/coated boxes
- No Styrofoam

Only the 3 groups of materials. No other materials will be accepted.

Hours of operation

2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month
8am to 3pm

Proper ID required to utilize recycling containers.
No materials can be dropped outside the hours of operation.

Location

Bins are located on the south side of

Read all about it...

By Dion Mindykowski

With snow now in the U.P. air, it is time to talk about how inclement weather affects the library schedule. The general rule is if the Tahquamenon Area Schools are closed due to the weather, the library will be, as well. This means no curbside pickup and no staff available to take your calls.

If the Tahquamenon Area Schools are on a two-hour delay, the library will be on a two-hour delay as well. That means staff will be available to take calls starting at 10:30 a.m., instead of 8:30 a.m., and curbside appointments will begin at 9 a.m. Please remember that two-hour delays can – and often do – turn into full closures if the bad weather persists.

If you have a curbside appointment scheduled during

a delay or closure, that appointment will be automatically canceled. Staff will contact you as soon we re-open to reschedule your appointment.

Inclement weather doesn't always mean snow and ice. We have been closed a couple of times due to wind knocking out power. And this year, we also have COVID-19 to deal with.

You may have heard last week, that the Tahquamenon Area Schools shut down the building for deep cleaning due a positive case within the school. The library is also on the school's COVID-19 closure schedule. If the school shuts down due to the virus, the library will be closed, too.

The best way to find out about closures is to check the local television or radio stations. The library is never listed on its own, but if you

see a delay or closure for Tahquamenon Area Schools, the library is closed as well. Our Facebook page is also updated as soon as closure information is available.

You can find that at www.facebook.com/tahquamenonlibrary. And if ever you're in doubt, you can call the library. If you leave a message and staff is available, they will call you back as soon as time allows. If you don't receive a call back during normal business hours, it is safe to assume we are not open. Especially during the harshest winter months, it is always safer to check these sources before making the drive in. Remember that our school district/service area is so large that it might be sunny in one part, but white-out conditions in another.

In the event of a closure, our Hoopla and Overdrive



Dion Mindykowski

collections are still available 24/7. With these services you have access to over 700,000 items. If you need help setting up these services it is better to plan ahead and contact us prior to a blizzard. Please call 906-293-5214 or email tahquamcirt@gmail.com for help.

Operation Christmas Child

It is time once again for Operation Christmas Child, a ministry of Samaritan's Purse. The packing of a simple shoebox is an opportunity

to provide God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. This would make a great activity/project for a church,

family, scouting troop or individual.

This year National Collection Week is November 16-23, 2020. Your local collection site is Lakefield Baptist Church on M-98 next to the Luce County Park.

The collection site will be open Mon-Thurs: 4:30-6:30pm, Friday: 4-7pm Saturday: 10-2pm, Sunday: 1-3pm and Mon the 23rd 10-12pm.

Suggested items for a shoebox: washcloth/soap, toothbrush, brush/comb, school items such as pencils, erasers, paper and scissors, a "WOW" gift such as a doll, soccer ball with

pump or a stuffed animal. The "packer" of the shoebox will decide if it is for a boy/girl and which age group: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. There is a suggested donation to help with shipping costs. For more suggestions on what to pack in a box check out: samaritanspurse.org/occ-gift-suggestions.

In light of our current Covid situation, the boxes can be dropped off with little to no contact with others at the church and all volunteers will be wearing masks. All questions can be directed to Debbie via text or call at 906-291-0944.



Warm clothing giveaway next week

There will be a warm clothing giveaway for those in need next Tuesday and Wednesday, October 13 and 14 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Dunlap Ministry Center (formerly Pentland Schools). No referrals are necessary.

Sponsored by God's County Cooperative Parish.

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SNHA President's Comments

By Bill MacLachlan,
Seney Natural History Association president

2020 has been a trying time for all of us. Seney National Wildlife Refuge, along with Seney Natural Historical Association had to change and adjust schedules, ways of work and events in accordance with the pandemic.

We want to update our membership on the impact this has had on our year so far. The SNHA annual meeting had to be cancelled this year. The Board continues to meet virtually, with much of the commu-

nication being done by phone and internet.

The Refuge Visitor Center did not open and consequently the bookstore, our biggest revenue source, was unable to operate.

Youth Fishing Day happened via virtual social media. Many participated in the first of its kind "Be-Like-A-Pike" fishing contest, organized by Jen Wycoff, refuge staff. Winners in the various fishing categories were recognized.

Board members had the opportunity to participate in webinar sessions of

"Board Governance for Non Profit organizations", conducted by certified instructor Cathy Allen (Board Doctor).

Three Committees, Fund Development, Nominating and Bookstore, have been established to investigate and research issues and make recommendations to

the board of directors. We currently have positions open on the board of directors and the bookstore committee and are interested in hearing from any SNHA members who would be willing to serve.

We are hoping 2021 will allow us to safely open our doors once again!

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Would like to thank all of our sponsors and players for the 2nd Annual Golf Outing!



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Thank You!

OBITUARY

Richard "Ricky" Roy Bailey

Richard "Ricky" Roy Bailey, 67, of Newberry, passed peacefully Friday morning October 2, 2020 under the loving care of the staff at Maple Ridge AFC Home in Lakefield Township.

Born August 26, 1953 in Newberry, Ricky was the youngest of nine children born to the late Allen and Marie (Sharp) Bailey.

Ricky is preceded in death by his parents Allen and Marie Bailey, sisters Norma Jane Bailey, Eunice (James) McDonald, and Beverly (William) Johnson; and brother, Brady Bailey.



He is survived by his brother Thomas (Marilyn) Bailey, sisters Marvel (William) Magnuson, Shirlee (Robert) Fedorko, Kathy (Robert Augustyniak) Mahar and sister-in-law Francine (Brady) Bailey. Ricky also leaves behind a large extended family of loving nieces and nephews.

Ricky's involvement in a number of local organizations such as the Special Olympics, Head Start and Pathways made him known and loved by many throughout the community. He enjoyed attending high school sporting events where fellow Indians fans would find him in the front row always smiling and cheering on the team. It was also common to see Ricky at the courthouse with his fellow Pathways volunteers performing tasks for the staff. As an honorary Luce County Sheriff, Ricky was very seldom seen without his Sheriff's badge. "Sheriff Rick" as he was known to many of his friends and family, never met a stranger and brought joy to everyone he met. Ricky loved playing his guitar, listening to country music and watching westerns, especially John Wayne movies. Ricky was the most kind, genuine, caring individual you will ever meet; he touched the lives of so many and will be greatly missed.

The family of Ricky Bailey would like to extend their gratitude to Maple Ridge AFC Home and North Woods Hospice for providing exemplary loving care.

Memorials in Ricky's honor may be directed to Shriner's Hospital for Children <https://donate.lovetothescue.org/give/273578#!/donation/checkout> or to Newberry Head Start, 207 Newberry Ave., Newberry, Michigan 49868.

Due to current circumstances, the family will host a celebration of Ricky's life in the spring of 2021.

Condolences may be expressed at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com.

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.

OBITUARY

Nancy Lorraine Nolen

Nancy Lorraine Nolen, 84, a resident of Florida Street in Laurium, passed away at her home early Thursday morning, October 1st, 2020.

She was born on January 26th, 1936 in Newberry, Michigan to the late Edward and Minnie (Erickson) Mattson. She graduated from Newberry High School with the class of 1954 and then went on to graduate from Midwest Bible College in 1959 with a degree in Christian Education.

On July 31st, 1959 she was united in Marriage to the love of her life, Bruce Nolen, in St. Louis, Missouri. The couple lived in Warsaw, Indiana while Bruce completed seminary. She moved with her husband, Bruce, to the Upper Peninsula in 1974, in order to minister at the First Baptist Church of Calumet. She was a life-long member of the church, leading the AWANA program. She also volunteered at Gitche Gumees Bible Camp.

Nancy owned and operated Keweenaw Keepsakes in Laurium until it's closing in 2010.

She is preceded in death by her brother-in-law Ray Clawson

She is survived by:

Her husband: Pastor Bruce Nolen of Laurium
 Her son: Ben (Ginny) Nolen of Wheaton, IL
 Her daughters: Bonnie Johnson of Milwaukee, WI
 Pennie (Jon) Mathewson of Canton, OH
 11 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren
 Her brother: Dale (Mary Ellen) Mattson of Florida
 Her sisters: Eileen (Warren) Demond of Michigan and Florida
 Jane Clawson of Michigan
 And several nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held on Monday, October 5th, 2020 at 12:00 noon in the Lakeview Cemetery, section 74. Visitation at the First Baptist Church followed the graveside services from 1:00-2:00 PM, with a memorial service at 2:00 PM. Refreshments followed the service.

Online condolences for the family may be left at www.ericksoncrowleypeterson.com

The Erickson-Crowley-Peterson Funeral Home in Calumet is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Card of Thanks

The family of Vernard (Ole) Olson extend their sincere thanks to Golden Leaves, St. Gregory's Church, Knights of Columbus, American Legion Honor Guard, Army Honor Guard, Veteran's Association, Newberry News, Beaulieu Funeral Home and all our friends and neighbors who were so kind and helpful during this difficult time.

God Bless,
 Pat Olson

DEATH NOTICE

Theodore A. Matelski

Longtime Newberry resident, Theodore A. Matelski, 82, died Thursday evening October 1, 2020 at Medilodge-Sault Ste. Marie. Ted was born August 20, 1938 in Newberry, son of the late John and Gladys (Walker) Matelski.

Per his request, cremation services were accorded with no public services scheduled. Interment will take place at Forest Home Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or at www.stjude.org in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com. Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.

OBITUARY

Merida Irene Sevarns

Longtime Newberry resident, Merida Irene Sevarns, 100, died Friday morning October 2, 2020 at Golden Leaves Living Center in Newberry.

Born January 4, 1920 in Boyne Falls, daughter of the late Francis and Hattie (Montgomery) Case, Merida was a devoted homemaker raising her family.

Merida was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church in Newberry and enjoyed camping, fishing, canning, picking blueberries and spending time with her immediate and extended family.

In addition to her parents, Merida is preceded in death by her husband George Sevarns; children Clarabell Bruce, Punk Sevarns, Gary Sevarns and Vivian Skeans; siblings Cecil Case, Fred Case, Jessie Chilson and Thelma Mitchell.

Survivors include her children Sherry (Clarence) Dumas of Newberry, Steve (Patricia) Sevarns of Newago, Henry (Jean) Sevarns of Prescott and Cecil (Linda) Sevarns of Newberry; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and great-great-great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held Tuesday October 6, 2020 at 2:00 pm at Forest Home Cemetery with Pastor Jon Michael, of the First Baptist Church, officiating.

Memorials may be directed to the First Baptist Church in Newberry in her memory.

Condolences may be expressed at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com.

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.



OBITUARY

John Edward Lee, Jr.

John Edward Lee, Jr. (AKA Jack, Skipper and occasionally Sam) passed away on Sunday, September 27th, 2020 at Trillium House in Marquette, Michigan at the age of 85.

The middle child and only son of John & Leah (Miller) Lee, Jack was born in Jackson, Michigan on April 18, 1935. Jack grew up in New York, Ohio and Michigan. He joined the Army near the end of the Korean War and was stationed in Alaska where he trained dogs. Shortly after his time in the military he met the love of his life, Judith Elaine Artman, on a blind date. It didn't take long for him to fall for the lovely redhead. One month later he proposed and one month after that, on April 22, 1957, they were married and remained together for their entire lives, until Judy's passing in 2018.

Jack was a colorful and interesting man who had a great many artistic gifts. At various times in his life, he pursued photography, drawing, and sculpture in both clay and glass mediums. An avid outdoorsman who loved hunting and fishing, as well as competition archery and marksmanship, he used his creative talents to craft custom grips for his bows and guns so they would better fit his large hands. Jack was a collector with a deep love of guns, knives, watches, and antique hit & miss engines. He had a passion for motorcycles his entire life and some of his happiest times were on motorcycle trips with his wife or with friends. He was an exceptional communicator and spent much of his life working to help others. His foray into Social Work began with a boy's home in Baltimore and took him back to Michigan to work at the Children's Home of Detroit, in Grosse Pointe Woods. Later, he was known as Skipper by all when he was the director of Camp Oakland, a summer camp program for underprivileged children. Jack used his gift for speaking as a fundraiser for these organizations and many others. He helped, encouraged and guided innumerable young people during his career, eventually ending up as a Social Worker in Luce County, where he remained for the last half of his life.

Jack is survived by his daughters, Cindi (Marc) St. Germain, Sherie (Tom) Courchaine, and his son, Matthew Lee; grandchildren, Christopher (Missy) St. Germain, Michael (Julia) Courchaine, Amanda Courchaine, and Matthew Courchaine; great grandchildren, Adelaide and Anders Courchaine; sister, Judy (Mike) Nold. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

A special thank you to the people at Trillium House in Marquette for their loving care and support during his final days. Memorial donations may be made to them at: Trillium House, 1144 Northland Drive, Marquette, MI 49855; Phone (906) 264-5026; email info@trilliumhospicehouse.org

Canale & Pennock Funeral Service in Ishpeming is assisting the family where memories may be shared at canalepennock.com

Guest Editorial

Breakdown:

It's not just a death count

By Lauren Burton

We've all seen the numbers. The COVID-19 mortality rate sits at approximately 2.8% according to the World Health Organization. Johns Hopkins University currently lists a mortality rate of 2.8% for the U.S. The CDC's most recent data lists a death rate of 6.4% for the week of September 20-26.

These are small numbers, right? All around me I hear angry voices telling me these are tiny numbers. Insignificant. That more people die from the flu every year. That the swine flu was a pandemic, and we never took these extreme measures. That we're scared of the boogeyman. That it's all political.

Well, where to begin? The total number of confirmed cases in the world is over 35.5 million. If we take the most conservative mortality rate of 2.8%, that is still 994,000 deaths. Almost a million. And if we bump it up to the CDC's estimated 6.4%? That's almost 2.3 million.

Just for comparison, the entire Upper Peninsula has a population of 311,000. The lowest mortality rate estimate is three times the population of the U.P. Don't like that comparison? How about this: according to the National WWII Museum in New Orleans, only 418,500 United States

military and civilians died in WWII.

That's right – more than twice as many people have died worldwide from COVID-19 compared to American soldiers and civilians in WW2. Twice.

And as for the flu and swine flu having more deaths? The swine flu death rate in the U.S. was estimated at 0.02% (making COVID-19 more than 100 times more deadly), and influenza only accounts for 24,000 to 62,000 deaths per year (CDC). We also have vaccines that greatly reduce the occurrence and severity of influenza. We don't have that for COVID-19 yet.

But it's more than a death rate. We love to focus on the *only*. The death rate is *only* 2.8%. *Only* a small fraction of the cases result in death. What about the rest of the cases?

According to medical professionals, the impact of COVID-19 is so much bigger than the death count – and we're still learning long-term affects.

Doctors at the Mayo Clinic have been studying the affects of COVID-19 for months, and their findings are troubling. Patients who appear to have recovered from COVID-19 still show signs of organ damage and long-lasting complications.

Heart imaging tests have shown that even people with mild COVID-

19 symptoms – who never required hospitalization – have lasting damage to their heart muscles months after their recovery. This damage can lead to heart failure and complications.

Respiratory diseases like COVID-19 have shown long-term damage to alveoli – small air sacs in the lungs – and can lead to lifelong breathing problems.

COVID-19 has also shown an impact in patients' brains, increasing the risk of strokes, seizures, and causing damage that could contribute to Parkinson's and Alzheimer's diseases.

The virus has even shown signs of causing blood clots, which can lead to heart attacks, strokes, liver and kidney damage, and leg problems.

These can all be found in patients who had *mild* symptoms of COVID-19. Patients who have been hospitalized and even put on ventilators are showing signs of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, depression and anxiety.

So no, it's not *only* the 2.8% mortality rate. It's also the long-term mental affects, the breathing disorders, the heart and brain damage, and so much more. We are learning more and more about this virus every day, and what we've learned up to this point is concerning.

I'm not a doctor. I'm a human being with compassion and a basic understanding of science. I agree, wearing a mask isn't fun, but I will gladly suffer that inconvenience if it means I might save *only* one life.

And even if you think this is all political, take a second to ask yourself "what if?" What if you're wrong? What if some basic precautions could make a huge difference? What if you could have saved lives?

Sources: www.cdc.gov; www.mayoclinic.org; coronavirus.jhu.edu; www.who.int; www.nationalww2museum.org

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Letters

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To the Editor:

In wearing facemasks, you are really being asked to care as much about others as much as you care about yourself.

Wearing masks is inconvenient, but protects the health of the whole population. Paying my taxes is inconvenient, but is good for the country. When I deployed to Saudi Arabia, and went to war in 1990-1991, it was certainly "inconvenient" for me, but we believed it was good for the country. My grandparents fought World War II, lived with rationing, and endured the limitation of their freedoms. It was inconvenient, but people complied because it was good for the nation. My father volunteered to fight in Vietnam; he believed it was the right thing to do and he believed it was good for the nation.

The person who complains about the loss of liberty supposedly represented by wearing masks will remove their shoes at the airport, will not carry firearms into a courthouse, and won't hunt without a license. Each of these represents an infringement upon our liberties, but are infringements that we abide to benefit of the whole. That is what this country is about.

I know there are good people in this community and that those people would step forward to help my family if we faced some imminent danger; if my house was on fire, you would help put it out; if my family was hungry, you would donate food; if I was ill, you would organize fundraisers. That's just what we do here: we help each other and we protect each other.

I'm looking out for you and your relatives and their continued health by wearing a mask to stop the spread of a virus that has already killed nearly 210,000 Americans. Stopping this virus is not political; it endangers the lives of you, your children, your parents, and your grandparents. If you knew that doing some minor, but inconvenient, thing would save their lives, you would do it without question.

By wearing a facemask at work and in public, I'm trying to protect your loved ones. Why won't you do the same for me?

Randy Griffis
Newberry

To the Editor:

I am writing to introduce myself as a candidate for the Pentland Township Board. As I am running as an Independent, I was not on the ballot for the primary in August. However, I will be on the ballot this November, and I am seeking your vote.

My name is Roxanna Pentland Transit. I grew up in Pentland Township, graduating from Newberry High School. I attended Northern Michigan University for my BS and attended graduate school at the University of Detroit. While I practiced in the metro Detroit area for some time, I returned 15 years ago with my children, moving back into my childhood home on County Road 405. I have lived most of my life as a member of this community.

While living in the metro Detroit area, I served on the board of the Macomb County Department of Human Services (DHS). In that capacity I contributed to decisions regarding Department policy, oversight of the Martha T Berry Medical Care Facility (owned and managed by the county), and helped facilitate the county's role in citizen health.

I have a Ph.D. in psychology and currently work for the Delta Schoolcraft Intermediate School District in the Special Education Department.

My family helped settle this area in the 1880s and we have a long history of government and public service in the township and in the community. I hope to continue that tradition of service and would like to join the Township Board to offer my experience and education for the betterment of the township and the residents. I care deeply about the past and future of our area and want to ensure the viability of its traditions and its residents for many years to come.

I have education, experience, and I am committed to our community and its future.

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Please look for and check the ballot for *Roxanna Pentland Transit*.

Thank you,
Roxanna Pentland Transit
Newberry

To the Editor,

Last week's paper was full of interesting and informative articles, and I read it front to back. One item struck me in particular... the one about theft of political signs. Ever since the primary, folks along County Road 407, form 4 Mile Corner to past Muskallonge Lake have been putting out signs... mostly on their own properties. A lot of them went missing. More were put out, and many of those also disappeared. The majority of the signs were for Republican candidates, although there were some Democrat signs, and a few of those disappeared, too.

I'm not pointing fingers, but I will say that many of the Republican signs were purchased by the property owners before the signs became readily available from the parties. This makes the theft either a violation of campaign law or outright theft of personal property. In either case, taking the property of others... regardless of party... is a crime.

I would hope this will not continue, but my guess is that the people who are doing this are so entrenched in their own righteousness or too ignorant to recognize their own dishonest behavior that they probably won't be reading the paper.

Bottom line, if anyone sees anyone taking or destroying signs... of either party... I hope you'll make a note of the perpetrators and phone the Sheriff's Department. Perhaps this will put stop to the bad behavior, or at least slow it down. We're all entitled to express our political opinions, protected by the law.

So let's all respect the rights of others in our communities and exercise our right to be heard at the polls.

Carol Waltman
Deer Park

Curtis Chirpings

Passing lane ahead

By Lyle Painter

Last week I had to drive to Manistique for a business consultation. For whatever the reason, the traffic on US-2 was horrific. It reminded me of a 4th of July weekend.

About two miles after I passed the Blaney Corner/M-77 intersection on US-2, I came up behind two vehicles that were following a faded, dark blue pick-up truck with an orange-looking, rusted rooftop. The truck had a long, green-colored rowboat carelessly protruding out the back of the vehicle. The boat had two ropes holding the boat inside the truck, with nothing to secure it from bouncing up and down. I assume that because of the bouncing boat, the truck was traveling between 50 and 55 miles per hour in a 65 mile per hour speed zone.

Due to the large number of vehicles

driving in the opposite direction, it became obvious to me why the two cars in front of me were still following the slow truck. I knew I could not pass three vehicles at one time. I also knew that a long passing lane on US-2 would be available in a few miles, before the town of Gulliver.

With that knowledge, I decided to just quit looking for a passing opportunity and wait until the passing lane gave me the opportunity to quit being an unwanted follower. The faded, dark blue pick-up truck with an orange-looking, rusted rooftop could have temporarily moved aside to let us around him, but instead he was being a "leader" by bullying and allowing the vehicles coming from the opposite direction do the intimidating.

I looked in my rearview mirror and realized the number of cars, trucks, and campers behind me were increasing.

Some of the cars were pulling out as if to pass on the left lane, but were forced by oncoming traffic back into the right lane. It sort of looked like the beginning of a NASCAR race with cars swerving back and forth to warm their tires for better traction.

Finally, the passing lane arrived. As if the green flag had been waved on the Daytona Raceway, many drivers quickly propelled themselves into the passing lane in an attempt to pass everyone in front of them. Most of the people driving in the passing lane were temporarily, flagrantly violating the 65 mile per hour speed limit. They had collectively decided they did not want to continue to follow their maladroit leader in the faded, dark blue pick-up truck with an orange-looking, rusted rooftop. We needed a new leader.

One car passed everyone by going so fast the driver lost any opportunity to be a

leader; he had no followers. A nice silver car passed me and set his pace to the appropriate US-2 acceptable speed. This car soon took over as the new pack leader. The other vehicles quickly pulled in behind me and set their tempo accordingly.

After I was comfortably situated on US-2, I looked in my review mirror and the faded, dark blue pick-up truck with an orange-looking, rusted rooftop was almost out of sight, though for unknown reasons, he still had a few vehicles duly following him.

In summation, there is a moral to this scenario. If you are a leader, you need followers. If you do not like your leader, wait for the appropriate time to change leadership. If you like your leader, keep your leader accountable for leadership actions. But remember: even a bullying and intimidating leader can retain a few followers, even as the leader is dropping out of sight.

Traveling through time: This week, through the years

By Sterling McGinn

From October 11, 1895

Local and County

—A Ladies Aid Society will be organized in Dollarville next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. Nelson. Madams Hubbard, Kee and Dutcher are delegates form the Newberry society to be present on that occasion.

—An oyster supper will be served by the members of the Ladies Aid Society next Tuesday evening, in the chapel, commencing at 5:30 p.m.

—The principal's room at the Dollarville schoolhouse has been provided with about one hundred additional feet of natural slate blackboard.

Silver Medal Contest

The second contest for the 'Demorest' silver medal will be held Friday evening, October 18, 1895, at the Bank Hall. Admis-

sion is 15 cents. Good speakers. Good music. Come, everybody.

From October 15, 1920

Local

—R. H. Cameron has been re-appointed country farm agent by the board of supervisors and has added to his duties the job of secretary of the Luce County Fair Association, which Mr. Sayles is anxious to relinquish.

John Stephens has also been re-appointed secretary of the Board of superintendents of the Poor, and Mrs. Auten, school commissioner.

—The Baetz orchestra announced a series of dancing parties to be held this fall, the first of which is to be given in Leighton's hall this evening, commencing at 9 o'clock and continuing until 12:45.

The second will be a Halloween party on October 29, and the third a Thanks-

giving party on Nov. 25. The admission to the party this evening is \$1.00, including war tax.

From October 15, 1970

Phone Projects in Engadine, Seney

The Michigan Bell Telephone Company announced the start of two construction projects totaling \$53,700 in Engadine and Seney.

James J. Schneider, local manager for Michigan Bell, said a \$28,700 project to enlarge the Engadine telephone office will start next week. A 17- and 30-foot addition to the dial office on Melville Street will be erected.

After the addition is completed next April, technicians will install additional local dial equipment plus facilities to reamplify long distance calls.

At Seney, Michigan Bell has started construction of an 11 by 19 foot addition to

a building that contains equipment that reamplifies long distance telephone calls. The projects are part of Michigan Bell's record \$270 million construction program this year throughout the state.

Senior Government Day

The annual Senior Government Day will be held Monday, Oct. 19 in the Newberry community building, according to Mr. James Trembath, American Problems instructor at Newberry High School.

The Senior Government Day is to help young people get a good start in life after they are out of school. This is done by a general meeting of government officials in the area and the students. The officials are asked about law enforcement, education, juvenile problems, government and environment, mental health, and elections and legislation.

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Engadine Consolidated Schools Update

October 5

Food Program for Distance Learning Families

This week, food for Distance Learners needs to be picked up on Thursday from 1 pm - 3 pm because there is no school on Friday.



Josh Reed

Reopening Phase/Executive Order Updates

Effective Friday, the Upper Peninsula has been moved back into Phase 4. Because we have already been following most of the Phase 4 precautions, this will translate to very few major changes.

Since creating our Reopening Plan, however, there has been a new Executive Order for regions below Phase 5 requiring masks for all students in classrooms, including all elementary students. Even though the State Supreme Court has struck down the Governor's orders, their decision does not go into effect for another three weeks. Therefore, we will be asking all elementary students to wear face masks in their classrooms starting next school week.

Elementary teachers will spend this week helping their students acclimate to wearing masks so that they are ready. Much is still up in the air regarding the further impacts of the court decision. We will await further guidance from the state and adjust accordingly.

Midpoint of First Quarter and October Count

With the midpoint of first quarter fast approaching, all students and parents/guardians should check grades regularly in Illuminate; in particular, many Distance Learning students have started to fall behind. Also, October Count starts on Wednesday and continues through the month. This is where the state and local school districts work together to figure out official student enrollment.

Funding is based on this number, so attendance during this time is extremely important, even for Distance Learners. If you are a Distance Learner, please make sure you're attending live Zoom lessons whenever possible and keeping up with daily assignments; this will ensure that you are not marked absent. Distance Learners not in attendance will be considered truant, which will result in a complaint being filed with the County Sheriff department.

Weekly Calendar

- Monday: Cross Country at Home - 3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday: PSAT for 9th Graders
- Tuesday: HS Volleyball at St. Ignace - 5:45 p.m.
- Wednesday: Late Start - Student day starts at 10:25 a.m., buses run two hours late
- Thursday: HS Volleyball at Home - 5:45 p.m.
- Friday: No School (Teacher PD Day)
- Friday: Football at Pickford - 7:00 p.m.
- Monday: No School (Teacher PD Day)

Joshua Reed
Engadine Schools Superintendent
and 7-12 Principal

Whitefish Township Community Schools review

School is off to a fast start. Our students, all 64 of them, are getting tested for their current levels, working hard on getting used to our new normal of masks and physical distancing, and adjusting well. Students that are not in person are receiving online education services from our staff on a weekly basis.



Tom McKee

Because of our number of students, we have hired an additional teacher. Katelin Corcoran will be moving into town in the next couple of weeks with her husband and infant. She is coming to us from out of state and brings a wealth of knowledge that we are looking for to help educate our students. Corcoran will be taking on the role of special education teacher and elementary teacher. We are excited to have her and expect a write-up in the articles to come.

As we roll through the start of the school year, there are a few pieces that I would like to share with you that are happening here. Mr. Sonny has been working hard on getting grant funds for our food services

program. We appreciate all he does.

Along with grants, our staff, Mr. Griebel and Mrs. Doke, have both received grants for their classroom. We were also given a grant from the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians for an outdoor classroom structure that you can see over on the south side of the playground. In the last five years, our staff have tallied a total of over \$123,000 in grant funding.

We are working on a ZERO INCREASE Bond Proposal for the May 2021 ballot. This bond will ask for no increase in your taxes, but an extension of the 2012 bond. The money will be used to add one to two classrooms to our building, create a bus garage, and install a generator. The last project is more of a community-wide use with the generator. We have shower facilities, kitchen facilities and space at the school that could be utilized for any long-term outages like we have had in the past couple of years. We will have more information in the months to come. I would appreciate any questions that you may have at this time at tmckee@eupschools.org or by calling (906) 492-3353.

—Superintendent Tom McKee



Updates:

• Due to social distancing guidelines, we will be having our Veterans' Day program virtually this year. Presentations will be online and can be viewed from home.

• SAT/PSAT testing schedule is as follows:

- Freshmen—October 15
- Sophomores—October 29
- Juniors—October 29
- Seniors—October 14

Pre-administration bubble-filling sessions will be on October 13 for freshmen and seniors and October 28 for sophomores and juniors.

• Students canned 21 quarts of tomatoes from the school greenhouse and are prepping the fruit trees and garden facilities for winter.

News from Three Lakes Academy



Rachel Bommarito

Can you believe we are four weeks into the school year? Time flies when you're having fun! Please remember to pack layers for your child. Most days it's pretty chilly in the morning and hot by the afternoon!

Wednesday, October 7 is school count day so please make every effort to send your child to school that day (unless sick).

Please don't forget to wash masks each day or send a clean one to school each day. We have extra cloth and disposable masks at school if your child needs them. The CDC link for mask cleaning is here: [https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/how-to-wash-cloth-face-coverings.html)

[ncov/prevent-getting-sick/how-to-wash-cloth-face-coverings.html](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/how-to-wash-cloth-face-coverings.html).

Other COVID related news: When someone at Three Lakes Academy tests positive for COVID-19, that person will quarantine for at least 14 days (longer if symptoms persist). The health department will notify close contacts of infected people and also ask them to quarantine for 14 days. We are taking every effort to be proactive including frequent disinfecting, mask wearing, hand washing, and keeping sick kids home.

Last year's yearbooks are here. If you didn't get to purchase one and would like to, they cost \$9. Checks can be made out to Lifetouch. School picture day is October 8. We will keep students in their cohorts, disinfect between classes, and masks will be worn by students not being photographed. Students who are enrolled

in the online program are welcome to come in for pictures as well. Please call if you are opting for online learning but would like your photo taken.

Reminder for online parents: If you have problems related to computers, accounts not working, pickup of materials, or anything school related but not classroom specific, please contact me: rbommarito@eupschools.org. If you have classroom specific questions, please contact your child's teacher.

Food bags for virtual learners will be available for pickup anytime after Tuesday at 2:00. We can also arrange drop off if you are unable to come to school.

When your child is absent (for any reason), please inform the school office at 906-586-6631 or email threelakesacademy@eupschools.org.

—Rachel Bommarito

Tahquamenon Area Schools news

The handicap curb ramp in front of the school is coming along. Cement will be poured this Thursday, Oct. 8 if mother nature cooperates.

Thank you to Newberry Redi-Mix for the presentation for our students last Wednesday, Sept. 30. The dedication of students who come in at 8:00 a.m. on a late start is evident and noticed. Great work ethic being developed here!

Homecoming is this week. Due to the limited number of people permitted at indoor events, today Wednesday, Oct. 7 the



Stacy Price

Queen's Assembly will be streamed live on M-123 Facebook page at 9:20 a.m. Tonight, the queen candidates will be introduced to the public at 6:00 p.m. at the football field and crowning of the queen and king will take place — RAIN OR SHINE! Masks will be required.

Congratulations to Homecoming Court Candidates:

- Morgan Fischer
- Claire Neeb
- Hana Parker
- Katie Rahilly
- Amy Smart
- Abigail Smithson

Those students and parents who are on TAS virtual are asked to fill out a survey at bit.ly/TASVirtual (case sensitive). This is to help the district plan for second quarter.

TAS Board of Education adopted a Return to School plan which was mandated by the state. The changes out of Lansing last week have left more questions for schools. The Return to School plan will be followed until the district receives further guidance. This means that masks will continue to be required K-12 and at all events, includes sporting events.

The patience and flexibility that this community has shown has been wonderful. We look forward to continuing our work together as we strive to get through these trying times.

Hope everyone is doing well. Any questions please call 293-3201 or email sprice@taschools.org.

—Stacy Price

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Tahquamenon Area Schools: Homecoming Queen candidates



Sterling McGinn

Front row, left to right: Katie Sue Rahilly, Amy Smart, Hana Parker. Back row, left to right: Morgan Fischer, Claire Neeb. Missing from photo: Abigail Smithson.

Northstar News

The Bible quiz team finished strong in Petoskey on Friday to open the year of competition.

Northstar's Varsity went 5 - 1. Their only loss was to last year's champions - Petoskey. It was in the first match of the day between Boon, Northstar and Petoskey. Jacob Neill, Hannah Handrich and Logan Handrich answered the first three questions to jump out to a quick 0-60-0 lead, but Petoskey was quick to do the same and tie it up. Northstar led by as much as 180-100 before Petoskey came back again. Two wrong answers by Northstar for negative 20 points being answered correctly by Petoskey made it a 180-180 tie after the official 20 questions. In the tie breaker Northstar was 1st on the button but couldn't get the right answer. Elisabeth Teller from Petoskey answered correctly to give Northstar their only loss of the day. Ashley Rauhaus led the Petoskey team with a quiz out of 6 correct answers.

Northstar easily won the next match against Manistique and Boon. That final was 10-60-

270. Hannah and Jacob both quizzed out. Northstar sat out the next two rounds and watched the Soo dominate.

Then in the last round of the day it was the big three: Northstar, Petoskey and the Soo all facing each other. With six questions to go it was Northstar 80, Petoskey 100 and the Soo 80. Northstar answered 5 of the 6 to take the double win 170-130-60.

Northstar ended up 5 - 1, Petoskey 4 - 2, the Soo 4 - 2; and Boon and Manistique also tied at 1 - 5.

Senior Hannah Handrich led Northstar with 210 points and a quiz out. Logan also had 210 points and one question back was Jacob Neill with 190. Conner Goldsborough added 20.

Ashley Rauhaus of Petoskey led all scorers with 320 points and two quiz outs and Huey Fowler was right behind her with 310 and two quiz outs. Northstar's trio are 3rd, 4th, and 5th in the individual standings.

The Junior Varsity team had a perfect 6-0 day, led by Jacob Neill. He quizzed out twice and ended the day with 330 points out of a

possible 360. Megan Williams quizzed out in the final round. She is in 4th place with 180 points. Faith Martindale added 130 points, good enough for number 7 in the top ten. Caleb Handrich, Daniel Handrich, and Lindsay Neill all had a correct answers for 20 points each as well.

The three match scores were:

Boon 100, Northstar 190, Petoskey 80
Manistique 20, Boon 130, Northstar 230
Northstar 260, Petoskey 100, the Soo 20

The Junior Varsity stands are: Northstar 6 - 0, Boon 4 - 2, Petoskey 3 - 3, Manistique 2 - 4 and the Soo 0 - 6.

The November quiz will be hosted by Northstar on the 6th.

In the Superior Conference soccer tournament Petoskey, the host, chose the order of the games.

The 1st game was Northstar vs a combined group of boys from the Soo, Boon and Rogers City. We will refer to them as the Soo team.

Northstar outshot the Soo in the first half

14 - 7 but when the half ended the Soo was ahead 2 - 0.

The second half was dominated by some great team work of the Patriots. They outscored the Soo 10 - 3 to make the final 10 - 5 Northstar. Logan Handrich had 6 goals, Conner Goldsborough 2, Bradlee & Carson Williams one each. Daniel Handrich had 13 saves in the goal. All the boys got some playing time.

After a brief rest Northstar took on Petoskey. They also used two boys from Manistique to field their team. Northstar outshot Petoskey 19 - 6 in the first half and took a 4 - 2 lead into the final 20 minutes. The second half was similar. The game ended 9 - 5 Northstar. Daniel had 7 saves. Jacob Neill played a key role on defense helped by Caleb Handrich. Conner Goldsborough played mid-fielder and kept the ball in the control of Logan and Bradlee. Logan had 5 goals, Bradlee 3 and Conner 1.

In the final game of the tournament the Soo team came back in and beat Petoskey 10 - 3.

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Where are they now? Catching up with Chris Nance

Chris Nance is basketball royalty in this region. The 1990 NHS grad recently spoke with Carol Stiffler to let us all catch up with what she's done since then.

We remember you as a basketball phenomenon. What years did you play basketball for NHS?

I played basketball for 3 years at NHS from 1987-1990. I missed my senior year due to an injury.



What was that experience like? Your team did really well, as I remember.

It was a painful at the start! From what I remember, our program had a fairly long losing streak that lasted a couple of years. I was pulled up to the varsity after 10 games during my freshman year and we only won two of the 10 remaining games. Our next season we went 10-10.

That team was full of underclassman, so with almost everyone returning, we had an exceptional season the following year.

Our team had confidence, a LOT of athletic ability and we simply had fun being together - all those hours on all those bus rides. I remember we had a ton of support from our community. Do you all remember the "coffin-dodgers"? (I'm not kidding, that's what they called themselves!) Karl Parker, Hack Hanson, Mert Starmer, Frank Waite and Dick Moulton leaning over the balcony at home games? To think that we could give those guys something to discuss! We ended up in the semi-finals that year and were treated like royalty! I can still hear and see all those fans packed into that gymnasium downstate. Yes, these were my glory days!

Did you have time to participate in other ways around town? At church, or with a job?

I was pretty involved with our youth group and the AWANA program out at my church in Lakefield. I don't remember doing much for them, but they did an awful lot for me at that time. I did not hold a job, but I did put a lot of time into practicing

and ended up with a full athletic scholarship.

When did you graduate high school, and what did you do next?

I graduated in 1991 and went on to play ball at LSSU. It was the school closest to home and I still wrestle with that decision I made way back then. Listen, I was too afraid to attend a university that was bigger than my hometown! Do I regret that? Yes, I do! However, I did get to share the court with Katie Hoy and if anyone has ever shared any time with Katie, then you know I made some great memories! Oh yeah, I also got a degree.

Where are you now? What are you up to?

Well, after LSSU I walked away with a BS in Biology. I don't even like biology. Honest to Pete, how does that happen? I ended up back in school to get my BS in Nursing from Wayne State in 1999. I never had any desire to be a nurse, but after 20 years in the field, I know it is exactly what I was meant to do. I'd like to thank the HNJ nurses who ushered me into my nursing career for their patience with me as I learned! I think you'd all be proud and probably even surprised if you saw me now! It brings me immense joy to take care of people. I now live in the Alanson area, and have run across many familiar names and faces over the last 10 years while working at McLaren Northern Michigan down here in Petoskey. Yoopers have a special place in my heart and Newberry, Curtis, Engadine, Germfask Yoopers even moreso!

I tend to change nursing gears every 5 years. I've done



Med/Surg, ICU, and ED in the past. Currently I am in the peri-anesthesia units. If you were to come into the hospital for surgery, I would get you ready - like get your IV started and complete any necessary labs or diagnostics. Then when surgery is over I might get to wake you up. During this time I make sure you're safe and try to keep you comfortable. I also make sure you understand what to expect after leaving the hospital if you were going home the same day you came in. Super fun area to work! I love it!

Tell me about your family.

Well, I've never been married or had any kids so it makes this a real short answer. I have nieces and nephews that I love to the moon and back.

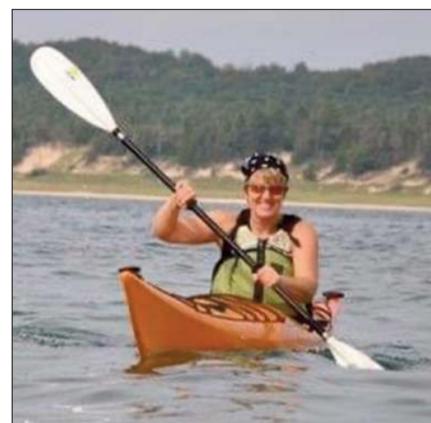
Can you give us a hint about your future goals? What do you want to do next?

I would love to coach again, but my work schedule does not permit it. Maybe someday under the right circumstances. I can always hope. Just to be clear, if I do coach it will not be at the varsity level...unless I assist. I learned that the hard way and so did my varsity girls. I'll stick to the middle school and JV level. Coaching the freshman girls at Newberry was one of the best years of my life. They all know who they are and I thank them and their parents for that.

I do get back home, but I am a point A to point B kind of person. When I come up, I typically drive straight to Germfask and soak up as much of my family as I can.

There is another Kris Nance here now - are you related to her? I admit I used to think she must be you.

This other Kris Nance and I are related. She and I are sister-



in-laws. She is a pre-K teacher out at Three Lakes Academy. She is much more creative, patient and busy than I ever was and I could NOT do her job.

How do you feel about growing up in such a small community? How do you think it impacted the person you became?

Growing up in Newberry was extremely enjoyable. I loved that people took an interest in me. A lot of people poured their time into me and it definitely had an impact. I recognized that people wanted what was best for me when they took time to talk to me, instruct me, listen to me, correct me and encourage me. I am eternally grateful for that and I want to do that very same thing for others.



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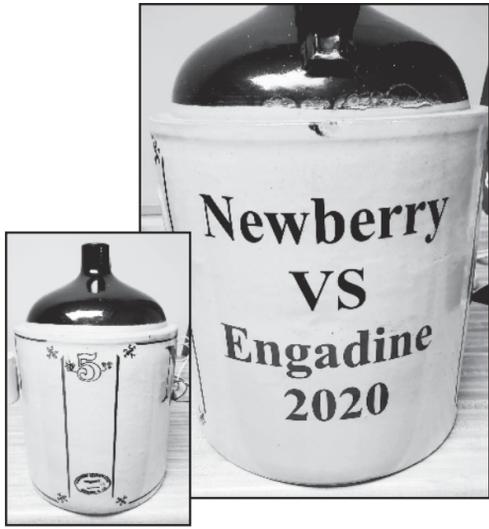


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From the press box:

Newberry & Engadine revive the Little Brown Jug

By Dan Hardenbrook



Dan Hardenbrook

The stakes have been raised for one of the biggest football games of the season. The October 23 clash between Engadine and Newberry was already destined to be the first ever varsity showdown between the rival schools. But now a trophy with a tradition unmatched by any other returns for the first time in five years.

That's because the football programs in Newberry and Engadine have announced the return of the Little Brown Jug.

Sure the trophy is a little different, and no, it's not another battle against Soo High. Those days were done when the old Straits Area Conference split, even before the Indians moved to eight-man. Now a new battle for the Little Brown Jug begins.

Credit longtime Newberry coach and teacher Jeff Puckett and Newberry Hometown Pharmacy owner and Newberry alum Dave DeMerse for bringing back the Little Brown Jug game. Those men, who are among the biggest supporters of local sports, came up with the idea late this summer after learning the Indians and Eagles would play each other for the first time ever in varsity football.

"I thought it was time to start a new chapter with our friends and neighbors in Engadine," Puckett said. "It's a new rivalry, but has much of the same spirit and pride that were the roots of the old rivalry with the Soo. I got to talking about it with Dave DeMerse and we both agreed that we wanted it to happen."

Puckett understands some historians and purists may originally resent the idea. But all he wants is a new chapter for future teams to write, much like the coaches, players, and fans have experienced for over a century.

"Football is not dead in Newberry," he said. "It has simply changed formats. Ultimately, it's about all of those who are involved making these opportunities for the young men possible."

The new 2020 version of the jug, like its predecessor, is larger than life. Puckett purchased a much larger 5-gallon ceramic glass jug to symbolize the showdowns between Newberry and Engadine. That's nearly twice as big as the original. And if this new rivalry is anything like the old one, it'll mean twice as much to the two schools.

The jug also has a new look, courtesy of A.J. Downey, another local businessman with ties to the original Little Brown Jug rivalry. Downey designed and painted the new jug that makes its debut later this month.

Puckett played for the jug and had many opportunities to coach for it. He was an assistant under three successful head coaches — Roger Bears, Brandon Bruce, and Fred Bryant — and even had his own stint as the Indians head coach. He says that today's players and coaches deserve a shot at that special moment just like the generations who competed before them.

"There are still players and coaches working hard; learning and growing through this great game of high school football. There is such a rich football history here in Newberry. I'm sad the Soo High rivalry chapter has closed and is never to return. But I'm excited and hopeful that moving forward, the players, coaches, and communities of Newberry and Engadine can create many more memories with a jug game of their own."

Straits Area Conference: Newberry boys tie with Rudyard

By Lori Fair

The second meet of the three-event series that comprises the Straits Area Conference cross country was hosted by Cheboygan on Monday, September 28. With all teams chasing Sault Ste. Marie for second place, the boys from Newberry grabbed the slot, tying Rudyard overall in the series.

Led by senior captain Ephram Evans, the Indians raced with confidence on a soggy course. Evans placed second with a time of 18:03, just 7 seconds from first. Next over the finish line for Newberry was Logan Depew (8th) and Aiden McPherson (14th). Both are competing in football and cross country as seniors and are proving to be tough competitors.

Exchange students Andrea LaBionda (21st) and Samuel Pacala (32nd) are becoming more of a force as they gain experience in a sport new

to them. LaBionda raced to a new personal record of 20:17. Rookie senior Josh Magunssen raced to a 27th place finish as he set a new PR of 21:15.

Rounding out the varsity runners was Derek Bowler, a sophomore who placed 33rd in the field of 50 as he raced to a new personal best of 22:45.

The boys team is currently tied for second with Rudyard in the three-meet jamboree.

The final conference meet will be October 12 at the Chippewa County Fairgrounds.

On the girls' side of the meet, the Indians placed third, behind the Soo and St. Ignace. Senior Abby Smithson has consistently raced well and rose the occasion as she placed 4th with a new four-year personal best of 22:55.

In 11th place, Jorja Suriano finished with a season best of 24:04. Freshman Kaylen Clark finished 16th;

Caitlynn Canfield came in 22nd, crossing the line with a new season PR, and Sophy Smithson finished 33rd. Senior rookie Hannah Kropp set a new PR by 47 seconds as she placed 35th. Rayne Palmer finished 43rd with her best race in two weeks. The girls are gaining momentum in spite of some lingering injuries and are a solid third in the conference so far.

Those racing in the JV competition for Newberry were led by Sam Sevarns as he continues to show improvement with a time of 24:33; Perry Mesloh crossed the line at 24:41. Another rookie, Keith Crewse, raced to a personal best of 25:42 and Zachary Hogue finished at 27:54 as the sky continued to drench the athletes.

The second of three EUP Conference meets was held Monday, October 4 in Engadine.



Engadine hosted the second of three EUP Conference cross country meets on Monday, Oct. 4, where Newberry and Rudyard were visiting teams.

Right: Engadine's Wyatt Flatt and Newberry's Aiden McPherson press toward the finish line in the varsity race.

Below is the start of the girls' varsity race.

Photos by Jeff Rochefort.



Newberry News Game of the Week



After two tough weeks on the road, the Newberry Indians don't have to travel this week as they host the red hot Rapid River Rockets in their 2020 Homecoming contest. The Indians sit at 1-2 halfway through the shortened 2020 season, and hope that a happy homecoming can get them to .500 on the year and into the playoff picture. Fresh off of their first win of the season, the Indians hope to make it two in a row against Rapid River.

The Rockets just suffered their first loss of the season last Friday night in a game against the Cedarville Tro-

jans. Before that tough loss, the Rockets were rolling, winning their first two games over Brimley and Engadine by a combined score of 107-22. The Rockets use a blend of size and speed and present a tough matchup.

You can catch the contest with live video play-by-play on the M-123FM Facebook page. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. There will be no JV game beforehand as originally scheduled. JV players will join the varsity for the second straight week.

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JUG, continued

was put into commission and the battle for its possession continued.

Sault High School first played Newberry in 1902. The team the Sault actually played was the team from the Upper Peninsula Hospital for the Insane, and it consisted of hospital employees. 1902 was the first year of football for the Sault.

The Newberry High School vs. Sault High football rivalry dates back to 1910. In the early years, the teams played a "home and home series." The Sault home games were played at the Fort Brady field, and Newberry games were played behind the current elementary school.

The first game was won by the Sault, 5 to 2, and the second by Newberry, 11 to 6. The odd numbers were due to touchdowns being five points during that era. For the record, Sault High claimed the two points scored by Newberry in the first game were illegal.

The two schools continued the "home and home" series until 1921. After 1921, the teams played single games series with the exception of the 1937 season.

There were several years where the two teams did not play each other. Newberry football seasons were cancelled in 1918 due to the Spanish Influenza epidemic, and during the 1940 Polio epidemic. Newberry did not play the Sault from 2000 to 2003 because the coach of that era felt it was not in the best interest of the school. After 2003, the rivalry resumed. The longest winning streak for Newberry was six games from 1979 through 1984.

In October of 2014, the final "Little Brown Jug" game was played in Newberry ending a 105-year rivalry. The Sault won the final game and still have possession of the jug. A total of 104 games were played with 67 wins for the Sault, 33 wins for Newberry and four tied games.

Though the jug series against the Sault is long since over, a new "Little Brown Jug" has been created for a similar series that is about to start against Engadine. For more information, read Dan Hardenbrook's *From the Press Box* column on page 9.



Courtesy of the Sterling McGinn Collection

The 1948 Newberry High School football team with the Little Brown Jug, which they won from the Sault with a score of 13-6.

Indians dominate North Dickinson

By Dan Hardenbrook

It took a trip through six counties and two time zones, but the Indians finally found their first win on a farm in Felch. The seven-hour round trip resulted in the Indians successfully shutting down the North Dickinson Nordics 37-0 last Thursday night to improve their record to 1-2 at the halfway point of this shortened regular season.

It almost didn't happen at all. A reported COVID case that ultimately shut Newberry school down Friday threatened Thursday night's high school sporting events. The JV and varsity volleyball teams had their games

in the Soo cancelled and the football team, which carpooled across the U.P. for their game, waited anxiously to find out if they were even going to get to take the field. With less than an hour before the scheduled kickoff, the team was cleared to play with the exception of one player.

That was the closest the Indians came to getting stopped. Going back to their eight-man roots in the spread offense, the Indians were able to catch the Nordics off guard early. Offensive Coordinator Zach Clickner was like a kid on Christmas, and he had plenty of toys to play with. The Indians used three running backs, threw to four receivers in the passing game, and split snaps between two quarterbacks who were both effective. The result was a huge halftime lead

that ended up in a running clock in the fourth quarter.

"Connor (Rintamaki) did exactly what I needed him to do and Liam (Shanley) came in and did exactly what we needed him to do," Clickner said. "Having both those guys going and using both of their strengths was huge. Both guys played great."

Adding to the game's excitement, one of the Indians' top young talents had his breakout varsity game. Sophomore Marco Juarez has had a hard time finding his role in the Indians physical base offense. But with the team opening things up and using more of the spread based attack, Juarez benefitted in a big way as both a runner and a receiver. He scored the first TD of the game on a deep 70-yard pass, and added another one

before the end of the night.

"The kid is electric, man! We knew we needed to get him more touches and tonight he was excellent," said Head Coach Joe Austin. The Indians were effective spreading the ball around as Johnny Nutkins also had a pair of touchdowns, and Eric Edwards got in on the action catching a short TD pass.

Maybe the most exciting news of the night was that the Indians defense was also dominant, less than a week after an awful showing in Munising. The Indians got a ton of pressure on the quarterback, led by Ivan Oswald. This allowed the defense to dominate in long yardage situations and keep the Nordics slowed down. The coaching staff also had North Dickinson well scouted, almost always accounting for their top players and forcing them to try something different. Logan Depew, 2019 All Conference and All UP defensive back, played great pass defense, and had his first interception of the season to help lead the shutout.

Chippewa - Luce - Mackinac community **Action** Senior Lunch Menu

Newberry

Friday, October 9
Pizza,
Green Beans
Tossed Salad, Fruit

Monday, October 12
Pasty, Beets,
Coleslaw, Pudding

Wednesday, October 14
Goulash, Garlic Toast,
Tossed Salad w/Tomato
Fruit

All meals are served at 12:00 noon and include bread and milk. Donations are suggested, but not required. Discounted donations suggested for seniors 60+ years of age. This monthly menu may change due to circumstances out of our control.

The Newberry Senior Nutrition Center is located in the CLMCAA building, 207 Newberry Ave., 293-5621.

Chippewa - Luce - Mackinac community **Action** Senior Lunch Menu

Curtis

Thursday, October 8
Beef Stew w/Veggies
Biscuits, Bananas

Monday, October 12
Meat Sandwich,
Veggie Soup,
Cottage Cheese
w/Peaches

Tuesday, October 13
Swedish Meatballs w/Rice
Spinach, Tossed Salad,
Brownies

All meals are served at 12:00 noon and include bread and milk. Donations are suggested, but not required. Discounted donations suggested for seniors 60+ years of age. This monthly menu may change due to circumstances out of our control.

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The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development is now accepting proposals for the Rural Development Fund grants, a competitive grant program aimed at promoting the sustainability of land-based industries and supporting infrastructure that benefits rural communities in Michigan.

The Rural Development Fund grants are available for projects addressing expansion and sustainability of land-based industries; worker training related to land-based industries; and energy, transportation, housing, communications, water, and wastewater infrastructure to benefit rural

communities and micropolitan statistical areas (defined by the U.S. Department of Management and Budget as an area/county with at least one urban cluster of at least 10,000 but fewer than 50,000 population). Specific projects for consideration may include projects that lead to the expansion and location of meat and poultry processing facilities, if in an eligible area.

Land-based industries includes food and agriculture; forestry; mining; oil and gas production; and tourism. Eligible counties include those with a population no greater than 60,000 residents or micropolitan statis-

tical areas. For a complete list of eligible counties, visit www.michigan.gov/mdard-grants.

The proposals will be evaluated through a competitive process. The maximum limit on project grant fund requests is \$100,000. The total allotment of funding for the current year is approximately \$1,400,000. All proposals require at least a 30% cash match. Applicants for grant funds will be asked to describe how the project will impact and produce measurable outcomes for rural communities.

Those interested in applying for the grant program should visit [\[gan.gov/mdard-grants\]\(http://www.michigan.gov/mdard-grants\) to view the application and program guidelines.](http://www.michi-</p>
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Any additional communications concerning this Request for Proposal should be sent to mda-grants@michigan.gov. Proposals must be received at the email above no later than 3 p.m. (EST) on November 19, 2020. Proposals received after 3 p.m. will not be considered.

The Rural Development Fund grants are funded by the Nonferrous Metallic Minerals Extraction Severance Tax. The Rural Development Fund was created under PA 411 of 2012. Revenue from the severance tax is in accordance with PA 410 of 2012.

US-2 truck warning system project starts Oct. 12 in Mackinac County

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is investing about \$748,000 to build right-turn lanes and truck warning systems on US-2 at Borgstrom Road and Sand Products Drive, Mackinac County.

The project includes blinking "Trucks Entering Highway" signs at both locations, with sensors to activate the lights only when semi-trucks are at the intersections. Work also includes concrete curb and gutter, and pavement markings. The project will begin October 12, and is estimated to be completed on December 11.

Graymont Mine is using portions of Borgstrom Road and US-2 to haul raw material to a dock along US-2, resulting in an expected 200 truck trips per day in the area. MDOT partnered with Graymont on a Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) grant to fund the project.

The project map is available on Mi Drive. The project will require intermittent daytime closures of US-2 at the two project locations. One lane of alternating traffic will be maintained via traffic regulators. Work will require an 11-foot width restriction on US-2 at these two locations.

New turn lanes will allow trucks to make safer turns. The warning signs will alert motorists to truck traffic and increase safety.

Upper Peninsula Environmental Coalition 2021 photo contest now open

Every year, the Upper Peninsula Environmental Coalition — the U.P.'s oldest grassroots environmental organization — invites people to help us recognize and share the beauty of our landscape and its inhabitants by entering our Photo Contest. Send us your best shots representing the beautiful UP, including photos you may have on file from any season of the year.

There are five categories: Nature panoramas, wildlife, and landscapes;

humans engaged with the natural world; close-ups of hidden or overlooked beauty; wonderful fluid water; and, new this year, "cabin fever cure" — images of you, family, and friends enjoying the UP outdoors in a Covid-responsible way (mask-wearing is a definite plus). Each category has latitude open to the photographer's interpretation.

You can be from anywhere, but your photos must be of the Upper Peninsula. You may submit one photo

in each of the five categories. To be considered, photos must be high-resolution (1 megabyte minimum; 6 megabytes maximum) photo in .jpg format. Winners will be announced in each category in January, and winning photos will be published in UPEC's newsletter and also may be part of an on-line photo gallery and on display at our next Celebrate the U.P. event.

The deadline for entries is November 1, 2020. To enter, go to upenvironment.org/photo-contest.

I-75 warning system, lighting upgrade project underway in Chippewa County

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is investing about \$422,000 to build a queue detection and warning system, and make free-way lighting upgrades on the approach to the International Bridge on northbound I-75 in the city of Sault Ste. Marie, Chippewa County.

The project started on Monday, October 5, and is estimated to be completed by November 13, 2020. Landscaping and system testing and activation will be completed in spring 2021.

The project map is

available on Mi Drive.

The project will require intermittent closures of the outside lane on both northbound and southbound I-75 from the 3 Mile Road overpass to the Easterday Avenue overpass. Work on this segment will require 12-foot width restrictions on northbound and southbound I-75. One lane will be open in each direction at all times.

This project will implement vehicle detection to activate warning flashers when traffic is backing up on I-75. Lighting upgrades will also increase safety and visibility in the area.

Cloverland Electric names Lisa Castilho as chief financial officer

Lisa Castilho has been named Chief Financial Officer (CFO) for Cloverland Electric Cooperative, effective September 28. Castilho joined the cooperative as Accounting Manager in 2019. Former CFO & Director of Power Marketing & Regulatory Affairs, Aaron Wallin, resigned from the cooperative to return to family in Green Bay.

Castilho is a senior finance executive with over 25 years of experience in both private and public organizations. Her background spans a variety of industries including govern-

ment, non-profit organizations, media production, hospitality, business-to-business (B2B) services, travel, healthcare and public accounting. She has a successful track record in managing all aspects of financial operations, including treasury/cash management, budgeting and forecasting, financial reporting and risk management.

"We are very fortunate to have Lisa's extensive experience to continue strengthening the co-op's financial position," said Cloverland's President and Chief Executive Officer Mike Heise.

"She has already made a positive impact and I know she'll continue to do terrific work as CFO."

Castilho has extensive family roots in the Eastern Upper Peninsula. Prior to moving to the area in 2019, Castilho was stationed in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil as a Vice Consul for the U.S. State Department.

"I love the living in the U.P. and being part of the Cloverland family," said Castilho. "I am excited about my new assignment to manage the finance functions of the cooperative to ensure that we build and maintain a stable financial future for our membership."

Castilho has been a licensed Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in several states. She holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) with a concentration in accounting from the University of Tampa and an undergraduate accounting degree from California State University at Fullerton.

She is highly skilled at developing, implementing, and monitoring financial controls, accounting procedures and policies to ensure compliance with organizational and regulatory requirements, generally accepted accounting principles and federal, state and local laws.

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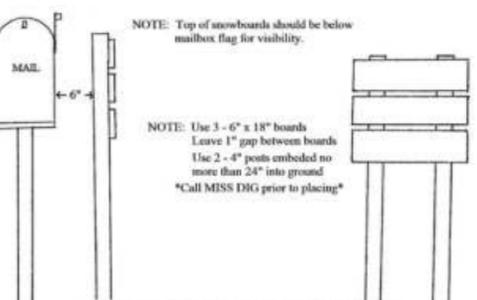
Taking time to tighten screws and secure mail receptacles now can prevent serious headaches later. Check the mailbox post for rot, typically at the ground line, and replace if needed before the ground is frozen. If the mailbox moves when shaken, it probably won't withstand standard snow removal operations and should be repaired or replaced before winter.

Road agencies recognize damage to mail receptacles is an inconvenience to residents and hope to minimize frustrations by encouraging preventive maintenance.

Road agencies have never assumed responsibility for mailbox damage caused by snow thrown when clearing the roadway.

Some Helpful Suggestions

- If you are leaving for the winter, please remove your mailbox and post.
- If you have an expensive decorative mailbox, consider putting up an inexpensive mailbox for the winter.
- Keep the snow cleaned away from your mailbox and post.
- Make sure your mailbox and baseboard are securely attached to your post and place a snowboard as illustrated.



NOTE: Top of snowboards should be below mailbox flag for visibility.

NOTE: Use 3 - 6" x 18" boards. Leave 1" gap between boards. Use 2 - 4" posts embedded no more than 24" into ground. *Call MISS DIG prior to placing*

NOTE: Leave 6" of clearance between snowboard and mailbox.



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While solar storms may be harmful to our communications technologies, they are also behind the amazing galactic light show visible from some northern latitudes in winter called the Aurora Borealis.

EarthTalk®: Solar Storms

Dear EarthTalk: Are there any environmental or health risks associated with the solar storms that have been hitting the Earth recently?

Betsy R., Suwanee, GA

Solar storms have been in the news lately, but the truth is these naturally occurring solar flares and coronal mass ejections (CMEs) from the Sun happen all the time—or at least a few hundred times a year from what we can tell here on Earth. They are caused by large-scale magnetic eruptions from the Sun

that send particles into the atmosphere at high speeds. But luckily for us, the only threats these solar storms pose within the Earth’s atmosphere are to our technology.

According to the National Aeronautics & Space Administration (NASA), harmful radiation from these flares can’t pass through Earth’s atmosphere to physically affect humans on the ground; however, when intense enough, they can disturb the atmosphere in the layer where GPS and communications signals travel. Both CMEs and solar

flares, if powerful enough, have this disrupting effect.

“When a CME strikes Earth’s atmosphere, it causes a temporary disturbance of the Earth’s magnetic field,” reports Deborah Byrd, editor of the EarthSky.org website. “The charged particles can slam into our atmosphere, disrupt satellites in orbit and even cause them to fail, and bathe high-flying airplanes with radiation.” Besides disrupting navigation and telecommunications systems, solar storms can also cause electricity blackouts down below on Earth. One exam-

ple happened in Quebec on March 13, 1989. A particularly strong CME caused a power failure that stretched across Quebec and parts of the Northeastern U.S., blacking out the region for nine hours and affecting six million people in the process.

The technological effects of solar storms can be worrisome, but scientists can track and predict these storms in order to mediate their potential negative impacts on a region. Additionally, one positive result of solar storms in places that lie at higher latitudes is the appearance of the radiant Aurora borealis (also known as the Northern Lights) during these phenomena.

While there have been plenty of solar storms lately, this year actually marks a low-point for such activity—

a so-called Solar Minimum—in the solar cycle. The Space Weather Prediction Center of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) predicts that the next peak of solar activity will be in July of 2025.

Amateur astronomers interested in tracking solar storms should check out SpaceWeatherLive.com, a non-profit, all-volunteer project out of Belgium which coordinates information from several websites on a range of topics including astronomy, space, aurora and related subjects. One of the site’s cool features is a free glimpse into the last three days of solar storm activity hitting the Earth’s atmosphere.

If you would like to become more involved in the

process of tracking solar storms, the Solar Stormwatch II project led by University of Reading in England looks for volunteers to help record data. Volunteers can virtually aid the project by observing CME data and imagery on the project’s website and recording/outlining what they see.

CONTACTS: EarthSky, www.earthsky.org; SpaceWeatherLive.com, spaceweatherlive.com; Solar Stormwatch II, zooniverse.org/projects/shannon-solar-stormwatch-ii.

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MDHHS restricts gatherings, requires face coverings, limits venues

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) director Robert Gordon issued an Emergency Order Monday under MCL 333.2253 restricting gathering sizes, requiring face coverings in public spaces and places limitations on bars and other venues.

The order follows the Michigan Supreme Court decision on Friday, Oct 2, that invalidated COVID-19 related executive orders. Monday's order relies on authorities that were first enacted after the Spanish Flu of 1918, and that were not at issue in the Michigan Supreme Court's decision.

Under MCL 333.2253, if the MDHHS director determines that control of an epidemic is necessary to protect the public health, the director by emergency order may prohibit the gathering of people for any purpose and may establish procedures to be followed during the epidemic to insure continuation of essential public health services and enforcement of health laws. Gordon shares more about the reasoning behind the order in a recent column.

Violations of this order are punishable by a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than six months or a fine of not more than \$200, or both. Violations of this order are also punishable by a civil fine of fine of up to \$1,000.

The order largely reinstates, under

the department's authority, three major aspects of prior emergency orders:

Requirements to wear masks at indoor and outdoor gatherings: The order requires individuals to wear masks when in gatherings, defined as any occurrence where persons from multiple households are present in a shared space in a group of two or more, and requires businesses and government offices to enforce those requirements for gatherings on their premises. The order also requires the wearing of masks at schools, except for in Michigan Economic Recovery Council Region 6.

Limitations on the size of gatherings: The order reinstates limitations on gathering sizes that mirror the requirements that Governor Whitmer had previously put in place. These include indoor gatherings of more than 10 and up to 500 people occurring at a non-residential venue are permitted within the following limits:

In venues with fixed seating, limit attendance to 20% of normal capacity. However, gatherings up to 25% of normal capacity are permitted in Michigan Economic Recovery Council Region 6.

In venues without fixed seating, limit attendance to 20 persons per 1,000 square feet in each occupied room. However, gatherings of up to 25 persons per 1,000 square feet are permitted in Michigan Economic Recov-

ery Council Region 6.

Non-residential outdoor gatherings of between 100 and 1,000 persons at venues with fixed seating are permitted at up to 30% of normal capacity and at 30 persons per 1,000 square feet at venues without fixed seating.

Limitations on certain establishments: Although the order does not close bars, it requires them to close indoor common areas where people can congregate, dance or otherwise mingle. Indoor gatherings are prohibited anywhere alcoholic beverages are sold except for table services where parties are separated from one another by at least six feet.

In addition, athletes training or practicing for or competing in an organized sport must wear a facial covering, except when swimming, or consistently maintain six feet of social distance.

Pursuant to MCL 333.2235(1), local health departments are authorized to carry out and enforce the terms of this order. Law enforcement officers are deemed to be "department representatives" for purposes of enforcing this order, and are specifically authorized to investigate potential violations of this order.

This order is effective immediately and remains in effect through Friday, Oct. 30. Individuals with suggestions and concerns are invited to submit comments via email to COVID19@michigan.gov.

Upper Peninsula virtual opioids town hall is October 8

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and the Michigan Opioids Task Force will host a third virtual town hall this year to learn more about how the opioid epidemic has impacted different regions of the state.

The Upper Peninsula virtual opioids town hall will be Thursday, Oct. 8 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and attendees can join the event at <http://bit.ly/OpioidTH>. To ensure information gathered reflects the experience of the community, residents are asked to only participate in the virtual town hall if they reside in the Upper Peninsula.

During the town hall, MDHHS and the Michigan Opioids Task Force will share the 2020 strategy to turn the tide on the crisis, seek feedback from the public and host a Q-and-A about the crisis response. Information gathered during the town hall will help the state develop a crisis response that is flexible; effective to fit the needs of the community; and informed by the experiences of Michiganders affected by the crisis.

A few key questions will guide the conversation:

- How has the opioid epidemic affected you, your family or your community?
- What serv-

ices, programs or policies would you recommend to help address the crisis?

- How can the state help combat stigma and change the narrative around opioid use disorder?

For more information about the state's opioid response and available resources, visit Michigan.gov/Opioids.

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Luce County Animal Shelter Board

The Luce County Board of County Commissioners is currently seeking five applicants, residing in Luce County, to serve on the Luce County Animal Shelter Board with an organizational meeting planned for January 2021 and monthly meetings thereafter.

Interested applicants should desire to be actively involved with the oversight of the shelter staff and expect to assist in policy making for the staff to comply with, as well as being able to assist in budgetary matters to assure that all funding of the shelter maintenance and operations comply with the millage requirements, state law, and county policies.

Please mail in your requests with your contact information and a brief statement of why you would like to serve on the board to:

Luce County Clerk
407 West Harrie Street
Newberry, MI 49868

The deadline for applications to be received will be November 6th, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

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Fall's color change makes it our favorite

By Bill Cook
MSU Extension

As I was driving along US-2 west of Iron River, a buddy of mine asked me why do the trees change color? I responded with a goofy comment, then followed-up by saying it's all about chemistry.

The timing is relatively consistent, as it is controlled by a balance between dark and light hours. This window is roughly 10 days to two weeks from the end of September and into the middle of October.

Tree species comply, more or less, with their biological clocks, but not every species uses the same clock. The ashes and balm-of-Gileads go

first. Oaks will persist longer. Sugar maple is a stickler for punctuality. Trees along the Lake Superior shore have milder microclimates and often change colors at the end of the window. Forests on the shallow soils of northern Iron County are among the first landscapes to transform.

Red maples along our highways often cause comments about an early color change. These trees are responding to unfavorable growing conditions rather than the onset of an early fall.

There is a lot of biochemistry related to the annual undressing of the forest. Those particularly valuable elements get

pulled into storage. The magnesium heart of the chlorophyll molecule is a good example. As the green chlorophyll molecules break down, other colors appear. But, that's not the entire story.

Should the first hard frost happen while the leaves retain good stocks of sugars, we should usually see a better color show. Color intensity is also a function of tree health and September temperatures.

While timing is largely controlled by photoperiod, the intensity and visual quality of the fall colors can be impacted by weather. The compounds with red, yellow, and purple pigments may be brighter, or persist for a lit-

tle longer, with warm days and frosty nights. But it's a risky business to predict color change patterns.

The process is part of what trees undergo to make themselves hardy for the cold and dryness of winter. Northern trees have some astounding and fascinating adaptations.

The geography and expansive forest of Michigan provides some of the most colorful fall displays in the world. Annual treks by thousands of leafpeepers provide testimony to this fact. It is a good time to be in the woods, as bird hunters will quietly attest.

Much of our hardwood or broad-leaf forest consists of maples, aspens, and oaks. We eagerly anticipate the crimson and

gold of maples, which usually outperforms the color changes in other parts of the continent. Our aspens also turn a lively yellow color, especially with the right weather conditions. Oaks exhibit deep purple when the frosts come early. A bright yellow canopy over a snow-white paper birch stand is an experience not soon forgotten.

But, let us not ignore the softwoods, or evergreens. Although they do retain needles year-round, they don't retain them all. The older needles, nearer to the trunk, fall off every year. The only exception is the glorious tamarack. Not only does it lose all its needles each fall, but it typically departs

the season in a flaming blaze of gold! It is the last tree to change colors as the forest bids farewell to the growing season.

Once again, the much anticipated season of color change will soon lie behind us. This time of year, many of us hold our breath, lest we miss those few days when the forest canopy alights with the fire and brilliance of the last hurrah of the summer.

Every season hosts a multitude of changes in the forest and all that lives there, including us humans. Fall color is arguably the favorite of all seasonal changes and without doubt the outdoors is teeming with interesting events this time of the year.

Early Morning Frost



Carol Stiffler

Early morning frost accents fibers on ground-level plants, as seen in this photo taken on Sept 18.

Hunting in the Hiawatha Forest

Welcome hunters! Fall is a great time to be at the Hiawatha National Forest! Before you head out, please review the following list of important information and resources to help make your 2020-2021 hunting season more enjoyable.

—License: First, make sure you obtain a hunting license from the MI-DNR.

—Downloadable Maps: Next, visit the Maps & Publications page on the Hiawatha National Forest website. Learn which Forest roads and trails are open to your type of motorized vehicle use from ATVs to street-legal vehicles. Download the current Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) for free, or contact your nearest Forest Service office.

—Off-Road Vehicles: It is illegal to operate an ORV on National Forest lands except on designated roads and trails. All cross-country ORV travel is prohibited on the Hiawatha. It is illegal to drive an ORV cross country to blinds or to retrieve game.

—Parking: Vehicles may be parked no more than 25 feet off the road when camping, or stopping to hunt for a few hours.

—Firewood: Please purchase or gather firewood locally to reduce the spread of invasive species such as emerald ash borer and

gypsy moth. Firewood permits are not required to gather wood for a campfire or cooking fire (picking up fallen/dead wood). Any and all fires (campfire, warming fire, cooking fire) must always be attended. Because most wildfires are created by human activity, we ask that you please review these campfire safety tips, which include information on how to maintain and extinguish a campfire when you are done.

—Food Plots: It is illegal to create food plots on National Forest System lands.

—Blinds: Hunters may not erect permanent blinds on National Forest lands, and all blinds, shelters and other personal property must be removed at the conclusion of this season. Blinds must meet the Michigan DNR's requirements as described in the Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide.

—No Trespassing: It is illegal to post areas of the National Forest as private property in order to discourage other hunters. National Forest System lands are interspersed with private land; make sure you are on National Forest land during your hunting trip. Be aware of other blinds/people that may be nearby.

—Leave No Trace: Pack out what you pack in.

—Safety, Safety, Safety! Please review the DNR's Hunting Safety Reminders, which include always identifying your target before shooting and wearing hunter orange. Also review the Hiawatha National Forest's Rules of the Road/Trails. Use spark arrestors and cross any trailer/tow chains to prevent wildfires. Chains that drag on the ground create sparks that could potentially start fires.

—Use Caution in the Forest: Check the weather before you go out. Extreme weather this year has created potentially hazardous conditions on roads and trails. Hunters, ATV/OHV enthusiasts and all visitors should be on alert for down trees, blocked roads or trails and areas that are underwater.

—While office doors may be closed, we continue to care for the land and serve people. Please do not hesitate to reach out or make an appointment at any of our Forest Service offices.

—Social distance and limit groups to 10 for the safety of all.

It is a beautiful time of year to be on the Hiawatha National Forest. Good luck and don't forget to download the Motor Vehicle Use Map before you go! For more information, visit www.fs.usda.gov/hiawatha.

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