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Newberry, Michigan

Briefs

Newberry prison second wave came from Marquette

A new outbreak of COVID at the Newberry Correctional Facility appears to have been sparked by a large transfer of inmates from the Marquette Branch Prison into the Newberry prison. Spokesperson Holly Kramer confirmed 283 prisoners were recently transferred from Marquette. All had been tested prior to transfer, but results weren't available until after they had arrived. In the month after their arrival, 280 of those inmates tested positive for COVID-19. Two are now hospitalized.

The facility has also had 54 staff members test positive to date.

News office lobby closed again

The Newberry News will remain open during the upcoming weeks, but will close the lobby. We will still provide print, fax, and copy services. Please call ahead at 293-8401 and let us know how we can help you.

COVID by county

COVID continues to spread in Michigan, and not in a curve. Governor Gretchen Whitmer described the rate of growth as a straight line "and it's going straight up," she said.

The U.P. continues to be most heavily affected on the western half, but cases continue to rise in all counties. Chippewa County recorded its first two deaths over the past week. Numbers for each county are below.

County	Cases	Deaths
Alger	129	1
Baraga	296	5
Chippewa	250	2
Delta	1,869	46
Dickinson	1,333	28
Gogebic	494	9
Houghton	1,085	8
Iron	598	28
Keweenaw	44	1
Luce	105	0
Mackinac	181	0
Marquette	2,011	23
Menominee	993	11
Ontonagon	223	7
Schoolcraft	148	1

Michigan currently has the 11th most cases in the U.S.



Caitlynn Canfield

Mackenzie Dunbar and Logan Gillespie, center, are among the Newberry High School students who will be learning from home as of today.

The second wave

State, schools impose new restrictions

By Carol Stiffler

As far back as March, medical experts like Dr. Anthony Fauci, the U.S.'s leading infectious diseases doctor, warned that a second wave of coronavirus was likely. The next one could be bigger and more deadly, they said.

By all accounts, it appears the next wave is here. On Sunday, November 15, Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer said the state is in its worst moment of the pandemic to date. Hospitals are filling up and in danger of being overwhelmed, a concern that's close to reality in the Upper Peninsula.

War Memorial Hospital President and CEO David Jahn wrote an open letter to the region on November 12, warning that his hospital's COVID wing was filling up and hospitals in Marquette and Petoskey could no longer accept transfers. That left only Munson Medical Center in Traverse City within a three-hour drive, he said.

"This will really test our EMS services in the area if a transfer is needed because they will be out of the community for longer periods of time and may refuse to transfer a patient for us," Jahn wrote.

Tracking COVID

Global cases: **55,400,024**

U.S. cases: **11,299,730**

1. Texas	1,068,752
2. California	1,047,913
3. Florida	889,864
4. Illinois	597,849
5. New York	568,778
6. Georgia	430,571
7. Wisconsin	342,155
8. Tennessee	320,729
9. N. Carolina	317,495
10. Ohio	305,364
11. Michigan	296,840

Statistics as of 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17.
Source: Johns Hopkins University Center

In an attempt to flatten the curve - again - Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Director Robert Gordon issued a new set of mandates on Sunday. These requirements extend for three weeks:

-Students in grades 9-12 would switch to virtual learning beginning today - November 18.

-Restaurants and bars must close dining rooms and offer take-out only.

-All high school sports are on hold. College and professional sports can continue, but without any fans in attendance.

(For full details, see page 13.)

Schools could opt to send all students to in-home learning, and to stay that way longer, Whitmer said. Many are doing just that.

In Newberry, the Tahquamenon Area Schools Board of Education met on Monday. It was their regular meeting, but chief on the agenda was a discussion of how to proceed with schooling. After a recent collection of three positive COVID cases at school, the district closed to regroup on November 13, and 42 students are in quarantine until after Thanksgiving break.

The board listened to two letters written by teachers See **SECOND WAVE**, page 2

A note from Helen Newberry Joy Hospital

COVID-19 testing and treatment

In the past week, one out of every 433 Americans was diagnosed with COVID-19 and cases in the Upper Peninsula are rising. Helen Newberry Joy Hospital wants you to know that we are expanding our testing ability and adding new treatment therapeutics to ensure we are able to continue to care for our community right here at HNJH.

On the testing front, our new testing building is up and running. If you think you may be a candidate for COVID testing, please call our Coronavirus hotline at 293-9288 to schedule an appointment for testing.

HNJH now is able to offer the rapid antigen test. This new test gives a result in 15-30 minutes and is available for those situations when a rapid result is desired for contact tracing or immediate medical decision-making. Some tests are still being sent out and take longer, but at this time most of our testing is using the rapid antigen test.

For most people who test positive for COVID, the recommended treatment is still to quarantine at home and use symptomatic treatment such as Tylenol for fever, ibuprofen for pain, and drinking lots of fluid. However, HNJH is now able to offer remdesivir treatment for those COVID patients who are ill enough to need to be hospitalized and treated with oxygen. We have already used remdesivir here for a few patients. Having this treatment available has made it possible to keep more patients here at HNJH rather than needing to be transferred to an out-of-town hospital. Patients that are so severely ill that they may need more aggressive treatment, such as a ventilator, are still being transferred to hospitals that provide this service.

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And now, for some good news



Here's some buzz about bees: Bee populations are on the rise in Michigan. After years in decline, new data shows the state's bee population grew by 50% since 2018. Michigan follows Nebraska, Oklahoma and Maine in improving bee numbers.

Send your good news to nbyeditor@jamadots.com.

Health districts release important joint message

An urgent message to our communities

To say that 2020 has been a difficult year would be an understatement. We are writing to you today from Helen Newberry Joy Hospital, Mackinac Straits Health System, Munising Memorial Hospital, Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital, and from LMAS District Health Department. We have been working together since late February to plan, prepare, and respond as we watched COVID-19 begin to spread nation to nation, state to state, and county to county.

Back in March, there were hearts on windows and banners declaring healthcare and public health workers as heroes,

as we worked together to protect all in our communities. Many heeded the early messages to slow the spread of the virus, yet here we stand in mid-November with case numbers and hos-

pitalizations spiraling upward at a rate that endangers not only the health of others, but limits public health capacity to contain the spread, and reduces hospitals; ability to care for

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all patients in need of medical services whether for COVID, flu, heart attacks, or car accidents. Beyond healthcare and public health, the rising numbers of COVID-19 cases closes schools, extends restrictions, affects business, and prolongs the amount of time before we can get back to normal.

The reasons that have brought us to this critical point include general

COVID fatigue, political divisions, conspiracy theories, and sadly, a growing lack of compassion for each other. Without broad cooperation and basic consideration for others, things are going to get much worse.

There are signs of hope with a promising vaccine on the horizon, but until that is widely available and widely accepted, we must continue to do the small things of wearing a mask that completely covers your mouth and nose, stay home when you don't feel well,

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SECOND WAVE, continued

in the district, who urged for a switch to virtual learning before a serious outbreak could take place.

Social Studies teacher Patrice Bedford said some of her students refuse to comply with proper mask wearing, which is putting everyone in the room at risk.

"In my classroom, I remind students constantly about masks," Bedford wrote. "Once reminded, they're up over the nose for a brief moment before they're plunged back below. Or there are students who will be so mad that I've had to remind them to mask properly, that when they pull it up, they pull the mask up over their eyes and put their heads down. Some put them in their mouths and chew on them, slice them open with scissors, and sometimes will even take them off completely and throw them across the room."

Though the district has said it will force non-compliant students to switch to virtual learning, none have actually been sent home. Teachers are scared, Bedford wrote, and are pouring from empty cups every day.

History teacher Randy Griffis also wrote to the board, telling them the staff is worried.

"We worry about which member of the school community will end up in the ICU or worse; we worry about taking the virus home to our families; we worry about the long-term effects of the virus that may compromise our health forever, or that may shorten our lives," Griffis wrote.

"Obviously, I value education above most everything else, but I value the health of my co-workers and my students even more," Griffis said. "As I said in my letter, we can fix lapses in education. We can't fix a lost life."

Because so many classes are a blend of students in grades 7-12, it made more sense to have all students in those grades study from home, the board determined. They also lengthened the virtual learning period through December 31, at the close of the Christmas break.

Students in grades Kindergarten through 6 will stay in school until after Thanksgiving break, and will be virtual students from that point through December 31.

Griffis called it the "best decision in a bad situation." He noted that schools in Baraga, Bark River, Bessemer, Calumet, Ewen-Trout Creek, Gladstone, Gwinn, Hannahville, Iron Mountain, Ironwood, Kingsford, L'anse, Marquette, Menominee, Mid-Pen, North Dickinson, Norway, Ontonagon, Rapid River, Rudyard, Sault, Wakefield, and Watersmeet were also closing.

Tahquamenon will revisit the decision and consider lengthening the at-home learning if the virus situation is still critical in January, the board said.

It's these kinds of measures, plus the necessary handwashing, mask-wearing, and social distancing, that will make the difference, Whitmer said.

"At the end, if we all do our part, we will be in a better place," she said. "Our hope is that everyone takes this seriously, does their part, and it works."

HOSPITAL, continued

In the very near future HNJH is expected to receive a small supply of a new treatment called bamlanivimab. Some may have heard of this medicine in the news referred to as "the Eli Lilly antibody treatment". This treatment is not yet FDA-approved, but is available as an investigational or experimental treatment. This treatment is used for a patient who has been diagnosed with COVID and has developed symptoms, but is not ill enough to need oxygen or hospitalization. It is given as an outpatient as an intravenous infusion. It will be used for COVID patients who are at high risk for hospitalization such as COVID patients who are over 65 or have other significant health conditions such as diabetes, obesity or immune diseases.

Preliminary studies have shown that bamlanivimab given early after diagnosis may help prevent some high risk COVID patients from getting ill enough to need to be hospitalized. The treatment has not been shown to be helpful for COVID patients who are low risk such as the younger, healthy patient. It has also not been found to be helpful for patients who are already ill enough to be hospitalized.

Both of these exciting new treatments are in limited supply and could run short if the spread of COVID does not slow down. It is just as important as ever to prevent the spread of COVID by practicing social distancing, mask wearing, and hand washing. If you are experiencing symptoms or would like to be tested, call the HNJH Coronavirus Hotline at 293-9288, Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. to set up a testing appointment.

Individuals with a positive test result will be contacted by the LMAS District Health Department. All other results are followed up by the provider who ordered the tests.

Schmidt cancels November coffee hours

State Sen. Wayne Schmidt, R- Traverse City, announced on Monday that he will be canceling the scheduled coffee hours with constituents on Nov. 20 and Nov. 23. The November 20 coffee hours had been moved to the Newberry airport area. If you would like to contact the senator, please visit SenatorWayneSchmidt.com or call 517-373-2413.

Autumn rains



Carol Stiffler

Raindrops bead up on a fallen maple leaf after a recent rain. The weather has been unpredictable as the seasons change, with snow falling one day and rain the next.

TAS debates who learns online

By Tom Hoogterp

The Tahquamenon Area Schools Board of Education met in the cafeteria November 16 with ample spacing between participants. Trustees Jeff Puckett and Jon Brown, as well as more than 50 community members attended via Zoom. All in attendance knew that there were difficult and unpopular decisions to be made.

Sunday's decision to close high schools (9-12) colleges, and dine-in restaurants and bars statewide, along with a recent COVID-19 case in Newberry Elementary School resulting in quarantine for 42 students, presented the board with an inescapable duty to take action.

Board President Brian Rahilly opened the meeting asking for comments from the public. The one citizen in attendance told the board, "Many elementary students will suffer if they can't go to school." She stated her preference that children stay in school, "or at least have the choice."

"That is the decision the board will have to make tonight," Rahilly responded.

A number of community members and school staff contributed via ZOOM. "Face-to-face is important," a caller agreed, "but I'm concerned about my health and my family's." Trustee Michelle Zellar summarized (at the request of the writers) emails supporting face-to-face school and others saying staff and student safety were paramount. All agreed that virtual learning is a poor substitute for

kids in front of teachers.

Staff members related dealing with "continuous" issues with mask compliance, especially in grades 7-12. "No matter the discipline," one teacher said, "there's not compliance." She wondered if she got any teaching done because of time spent with masks. The comments and emails filled more than half an hour. "It's a disservice to keep them online," one person said. "The burden on some families will be immense," another opined.

After some discussion about mask compliance and possible (or impossible) remedies, board members weighed in. Zellar made a strong pitch for in-person learning, though she called it a privilege. "Wear a mask or go online!... Our kids need to be in front of teachers."

Rahilly split the issue of on-line vs. virtual into separate questions for grades K-6 and 7-12. Trustee Lawrence Vincent made a motion to go to virtual learning in grades 7-12 Wednesday, November 18 (as required) and remain virtual through the end of the first semester. Puckett seconded the motion, adding "I understand the difficulties it imposes on children and parents."

Zellar maintained her resistance to the "long period," suggesting, "We (should) go with the governor until December 8."

Jon Brown reminded the board that they didn't want to be jumping kids back and forth. Vincent modified his motion to make grades 7-12 virtual until the Christmas break, then re-

evaluate. The board agreed to that compromise, with Zellar dissenting.

After a failed vote to move the elementary to virtual learning on the same schedule as grades 7-12, Brown motioned to continue in-person learning in grades K-6 until thanksgiving break, then going virtual until Christmas vacation. Puckett and Zellar cast "nay" votes. The motion was approved 5-2.

Price broke in with some good news: The new computers showed up a month early and staff prepared them for distribution to high schoolers. She thanked the board for carefully considering and acting on a difficult issue in which no answer could be completely satisfactory. She announced that elected school board candidate Amber Taylor was required to withdraw from the position because she is employed by the school district. The announcement left the board with 2 positions to be filled (by appointment) before year's end.

Brian Rahilly then announced his resignation from the board, effective November 17, because he was elected to a judicial position and an individual may not hold two elected positions. He urged community members to get involved and fill the vacant board positions. He promised potential candidates "sleepless nights and great rewards." Finally, he thanked the school staff for their dedication and ability.

Discussion and approval of the annual evaluation of Superintendent Stacy Price's performance was tabled until the December 21 board meeting.

URGENT, continued

wash your hands, and please do not put yourself and others at risk by participating in gatherings that include anyone that does not live in your immediate household.

It is imperative that we all work together. This has been a long haul, and we're not done with COVID-29 yet. We must slow the spread of this virus, but it is up to you to choose to do the right things and have compassion for others even if it means you must make some small, personal sacrifices like wearing a mask and skipping a holi-

day gathering. These are small prices to pay to protect your life and the health and lives of others.

Hunter Norstrant, *CEO Helen Newberry Joy Hospital*
 Karen Cheeseman, *President & CEO Mackinac Straits Health System*
 Dr. John Reynolds, *Interim CEO Munising Memorial Hospital*
 Robert Crumb, *CEO Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital*
 Nicholas Derusha, *Director and Health Officer LMAS District Health Department*

From November 17, 2020

'Christmas by Candlelight' concert cancelled

The Erickson Center for the Arts event, "Christmas by Candlelight", scheduled for Thursday, December 3, has been cancelled due to new state mandates announced Sunday night.

All ticket purchases will be refunded by My North Tickets. Please call the ECA office with any questions about ticket refunds at 906-586-9974.

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Just in case: Plan for interruption

By Dion Mindykowski

With an increase of Covid-19 cases in the area, comes a greater chance of an interruption in library services. If the Tahquamenon Area Schools shut down the building for a deep cleaning, curbside pickup may not be available for up to a week. If a library staff member gets the virus, this might lead to a two-week shut down of library services. And right now, as we are short-staffed due to retirements and going through the hiring and training process, even one staff member needing to quarantine could impact hours that curbside pickup is available.

To help you better prepare for that, we are continuing to allow an increased checkout limit of 25 items

per public library account. We are also still waiving late fees to help you manage the increased checkout size without accidentally racking up fees. We encourage you to load up on books, music, and DVDs so that you are all set in case of an interruption of services.

Our free DVD checkout remains in effect, as well. This means that you can stock up on family viewing for the upcoming holidays. You might have noticed that we haven't gotten many new DVDs this year. This is mostly due to the fact that movie production was shut down due to the virus and very few new movies were released due to theater shutdowns. We still have quite an extensive collection, with many TV series that are worth catching up on. In addition, an

order was placed this week to fill in our holiday moving offerings and they will be arriving over the next month. Be sure to watch our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/tahquamenonlibrary, to see when new items become available.

We would also like to remind you to plan ahead for interlibrary loan material. Covid-19 has definitely impacted the speed of that service. When a request is placed, sometimes it takes a little longer for the owning library to fill the hold. Some libraries are working with minimal staffing to allow for social distancing. In addition, numerous libraries have had to shut down due to staff exposure and infections. Once the items reach Newberry, for your safety and library staff safety, they are quarantined



Dion Mindykowski

for five days before being processed for pickup. If there is an item that you know you'll want in mid-December, now is the time to start thinking about it.

Please note that there will be no curbside pickup on Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Curtis Library moves to curbside service

By Linda Blanchard

Beginning Thursday November 19, Curtis Public Library will change from "open inside" to "curbside" library service. Curbside service will be offered from 9 a.m. to 4:30 pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. The service will extend at least through Tuesday, December 8.

To use curbside service, patrons can either:

- Place holds on library items through our online catalog.

- Call the library and request items; dial (906) 586-9411. Requests can be left on voicemail if the library is closed.

- Email requests to the library at curtislib@uproc.lib.mi.us

Library staff will then arrange a mutually convenient time for patrons to pick up their items.

Also beginning Novem-

ber 19, there will be "Books At The Back Door!" A cartful of items will be in the hallway outside the back door to the library. It will be stocked with books and puzzles for adults and children. Patrons are welcome to take items, return them, or pass them on to others. There will be few movies on the cart. To check out other movies, patrons will need to use the curbside library service.

The library WiFi will remain on from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day. It is accessible outside the building.

Curtis Public Library is cancelling the November 23 and December 7 book discussions.

Please use the library! It will help pass these quiet days to have books, movies, and puzzles. We look forward to returning to regular inside service when the coronavirus concern is reduced.

Hike for Heat bakeless bake sale

*A bit of news we have today;
A Bakeless Bake Sale is on the way!
In these hectic days, who wants to bake
A pie or cookies or even a cake?
You'd be surprised when counting the cost
Of ingredients, heat and the time you've lost.
Baking for sales is extra work,
Yet nobody really wants to shirk.
So we've thought of a plan that's truly grand
And feel quite sure you'll understand.
In an envelope, please include the price
Of a pie or cake or something nice.
Without fuss or bother, you've done your part
We hope and pray you'll give with a willing heart.
This is the end of our little tale . . .
Help make a success of our Bakeless Sale!*

Newberry Area Ministerial Association (NAMA) is continuing to raise funds through the Hike for Heat fundraiser to support the Luce County Heating Fund. Proceeds help people in our communities who cannot afford heat this winter, be it wood, gas, propane, and electric. Thrivent Financial, through our local office in Traverse City, is willing to match up to \$2,500 of the funds we raise from October through November. We are over half way there! Please prayerfully consider supporting us in this endeavor by sending any donations to NAMA, PO Box 443, Newberry, MI with Hike for Heat in the memo. Thank you!

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God's blessings, comfort, and peace be with you all this Thanksgiving and Christmas!

Newberry Area Ministerial Association

Curtis Notes

Thursday, November 19

— Marcy's Pantry will be open from 10:00 a.m. until noon. If you can volunteer during this shift, please call 586-6525.

Saturday, November 21

— Welcome Sign with Interchangeable Seasonal Plaques Art Class will be held from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. \$60 per person. Supplies included. All class fees are non-refundable. Payment is due upon registration. Call the ECA office to sign up at 586-9974. Class size is limited. Social distancing protocol will be followed.

Thank you!

A huge thanks goes out to **Judy Hett & Kay Pfeiffer** who retired two weeks ago after decades of dedication working elections in Pentland Township!

Kay has been an election worker for 24 years, and Judy has been an election worker for 36 years!

When you see these two around town, please thank them for their service & wish them the very best!

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NOTICE
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Wednesday, November 18th through Friday, December 11th we will be closing our office lobby to all Walk-In traffic in an effort to combat the growing Corona Virus threat to our community. We will still offer access **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY!!!** Please call our office at (906) 293-3205 to schedule an appointment.

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Fall Prevention Tips

As we get older, physical changes and health conditions, and sometimes the medications used to treat those conditions, can make falls more likely. In fact, falls are the leading cause of injury and death for older Americans and threaten seniors' safety and independence. Falls result in more than 2.8 million injuries treated in emergency departments annually, including over 800,000 hospitalizations and more than 27,700 deaths. A fear of falling does not have to rule you, or your loved one's life. The Mayo Clinic recommends six different fall-prevention strategies to help keep you safe at home.

Make an appointment with your Primary Care Provider (PCP). Your PCP can look at your current prescriptions as well as any over-the-counter medications you are taking for potential side effects that may increase your risk of falling. Let your provider know if you have fallen before and the details around that event. Specific information can help your provider identify fall-prevention strategies. Your provider can also evaluate your muscle strength, balance, and walking style to ensure there aren't any health conditions that could increase your risk of falls.

Keep moving. Physical activities like walking and gentle exercise reduce the risk of falls by improving strength, balance, coordination, and flexibility. If you are afraid physical activity will make a fall more likely, let your provider know and they may recommend physical therapy. A physical therapist can create a custom exercise program to improve your strength, balance, and flexibility.

Wear sensible shoes. Heels, floppy slippers, and slick soled shoes can make you slip, stumble, and fall. Instead, wear sturdy shoes with a nonskid sole that fit properly. Remove home hazards. Look around your home for any hazards that may cause you to slip, trip, or fall. To make your home safer:

- Remove cords, boxes, and paper from walkways.
- Move items like tables and stands from high-traffic areas.
- Repaired loose floorboards and carpeting.
- Store everyday items like clothing, dishes, and food within easy reach.
- Immediately clean any spilled liquids, grease, or food.
- Use nonslip mats in areas like your bathtub or shower and if necessary, use a bath seat to allow you to sit while showering.

Keep your living space well lit. By keeping your home brightly lit, you can avoid tripping on hard to see objects. Use night lights in your bedroom, bathroom, and hallways and have a lamp next to your bed. Always turn on the lights before going up or down stairs.

Use assistive devices. Your provider may recommend using a cane or walker to keep you steady. There are other assistive devices that can help too. For example, you can install handrails in stairways, nonslip treads for bare wood steps, grab bars for the shower or tub, or a raised toilet seat. If you are unsure where to start in making your home safer, your provider can give you a referral to an occupational therapist. Helen Newberry Joy Hospital Occupational Therapist, Jen Lusk, can assist you with solutions that could be easily installed and relatively inexpensive in your home to lessen the risk of falling. She can also help you brainstorm different fall prevention strategies you could use to stay safe. For more information about occupational therapy, or to schedule an appointment, call 293.9231.

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OBITUARY

David Vern Johnson

David Vern Johnson, 65, of Marinette, Wis. passed away on Monday, November 9, 2020 at Aurora Medical Center-Bay Area Hospital in Marinette. He was born on February 28, 1955 in Newberry, Mich. to the late Theodore and Juanita (Rogers) Johnson. He proudly served his Country in the United States Army and later in the National Guard for many years. David worked at the L.E. Jones Company as a Machine Operator. He was a quiet person and enjoyed reading, politics, collecting guns and old history books. David further enjoyed rock music and attending concerts.

David is survived by his siblings, nieces, nephews and many friends. David was preceded in death by his brother: Ivan Johnson.

Because of health concerns, no services will be held at this time. The Anderson Kell Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

OBITUARY

Betty Lou Morgan

Betty Lou Morgan, 91, of Engadine and formerly of Marion, left this Earth to spend eternity with her heavenly Father and beloved husband Sylvan Henry Morgan on Sunday November 15, 2020.

Born October 3, 1929 in Indianapolis, Indiana, daughter of the late Forest and Sarah (Holstein) Ragsdale, Betty grew up in the Hazel Park area and, at the age of 13, met the love of her life Sylvan Henry Morgan Jr. whom she married at the age of 16.

Betty was a devoted homemaker raising her family and was proud to receive her high school diploma in 1989. Betty held several employments in the Marion area and later was employed as a cook at the Marion School District until her retirement.



Betty attended the Marion United Methodist Church and an active member of the women's group. Betty was also a member of the Eveready Club. She enjoyed knitting and crocheting winning many ribbons from her entries at the local county fair.

In 2011, Betty moved to Engadine to be closer to her son Harley and his wife Joy. Betty attended the Engadine United Methodist Church and attended senior luncheons. In 2013 and due to her health issues, Betty became a resident of Golden Leaves Living Center and enjoying the activities and outings.

In addition to her parents and her husband, Betty is preceded in death by her beloved Basset SADIE ANN; siblings William, Paul and Raymond Ragsdale; her only grandson Harley Michael Morgan Jr.

Survivors include her children Sylvan "Hal" (Nancy) Morgan Jr. of Trapper Creek, Alaska; Harley (Joy) Morgan of Engadine and Paul Morgan of McBain; granddaughter Brandi (Brian) Morgan-Hoke of Girdwood, Alaska and Jesse (Lucas) Dwyer of Nashville, TN; and great-grandson Alexander Dwyer of Nashville, TN.

Due to COVID-19, a public graveside service will be held Saturday November 21, 2020 at 2:00 pm at the Greenwood Cemetery in Marion with Pastor James Mort officiating.

Memorials may be directed to the Marion United Methodist Church, 216 West Main Street, Marion, MI 49665, the Engadine United Methodist Church, 110 West Harrie Street, Newberry, MI 49868 or to the Golden Leaves Living Center Activity Fund, 502 West Harrie Street, Newberry, Michigan 49868 in her memory.

Condolences may be expressed at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com.

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.

OBITUARY

Linda Lou Richards

Longtime Paradise resident, Linda Lou Richards, 71, died Wednesday November 11, 2020 at her residence.

Born April 23, 1949 in Sault Ste. Marie, daughter of the late Will and Bonnie Jean (Monk) Bedell, Linda was a 1967 graduate of Whitefish Township School in graduate of Baker University in Flint with an associate's degree in business.

Linda owned and operated the Paradise Mobil in Paradise for several years and later with J & S Lodging until her retirement. Linda was a ladies auxiliary member of the American Legion Post #393 in Hulbert and enjoyed fishing of the Tahquamenon River, agate hunting and baking for her family and friends.



In addition to her parents, Linda is preceded in death by her siblings Bonnie, Tammy and Floyd; brother-in-law LeRoy Murley; sisters-in-law Karyn Bedell and Claudia Bedell.

Survivors include her son David (Karri) Hagan of Traverse City; grandchildren Erica Shell of Florida and Ethan Walters of Traverse City; great-grandchildren Curtis Warren and Darias Pelton; siblings Carol Murley of Fenton, Leon (Janet) Bedell of Chino Valley, AZ, Donald Bedell of Frankfort, Dennis Bedell of Paradise, Roy Bedell of Rives Junction, MI, Karen (Alan) Smith and Terry (Tom) Clark all of Paradise; several nieces and nephews.

Per request, cremation services were accorded. A memorial service celebrating the life of Linda will be scheduled at a later date at the Paradise United Methodist Church.

Condolences may be expressed at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com.

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.

OBITUARY

Betty Darlene Stone

Longtime McMillan resident, Betty Darlene Stone, 82, died Monday afternoon November 9, 2020 at McLaren Northern Michigan in Petoskey.

Born January 15, 1938 in Hulbert, daughter of the late George and Anna (McLaren) Williams, Darlene was a 1957 graduate of Newberry High School.

In addition to being a homemaker raising her family, Darlene was employed as a bartender and a housekeeper for several years. Darlene enjoyed collecting turtle figurines and cooking.

In addition to her parents, Darlene is preceded in death by her husband Edward Stone on July 11, 1976; daughter Brenda Brow on September 29, 2017; brothers Herb Williams and Ed Williams; brother-in-law George Hollingshead.

Survivors include her son Larry (Tracie) Stone of McMillan; grandchildren Brian Stone, Lisa (Brian) Foster, Stacy (Bill) Berry, Eric (Jaimee) Brow, Michelle Brow, Jennifer Bennett and Angela Bennett; several great-grandchildren; sister Laura Hollingshead of Seney; son-in-law Dean (Sue) Brow of Evart.

Per request, cremation services were accorded with no public services scheduled.

Condolences may be expressed at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com.

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.



OBITUARY

Larry "Ike" McTiver

Lifelong resident of Newberry, Larry "Ike" McTiver, sadly lost his 11-year battle with cancer on November 14th, 2020 at the age of 70 in his family home.

Born to Stuart and June "Williams" McTiver on August 15, 1950, Ike's siblings include Jeanett Kucharczyk of Goetzville, Michigan, Jo Cornforth of Fruita, Colorado and Patrick McTiver of Valencia, Pennsylvania.

Ike was always one to stand out, both in stature and personality. During his four years at Newberry High, he became a hometown hero playing basketball. He was offered a full ride scholarship to Michigan State University to play which he declined to pursue his one true passion: farming. A second generation farmer, Ike purchased his first beef cow at the age of 16 and built one of the largest beef operations in the area. He was also the youngest to serve on several local and state agriculture boards. Ike was known to be the unofficial on-call large animal vet in the area.

On September 5, 1970 he married the love of his life Sandra "Holds" McTiver. They were blessed with two wonderful sons, Stuart "Mike" and Scott. Ike was a successful, hardworking family man who lived a life which he deeply loved, continuously surrounded by farming, cows, and family. His hobbies included wild game hunting with his brother Pat, cribbage, ice fishing and snowmobiling with friends.

Ike is preceded in death by both of his parents and his youngest grandson Silas.

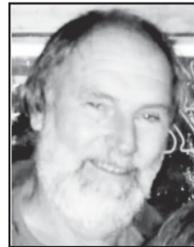
Ike leaves behind his devoted wife Sandy; son Stuart "Mike", his wife Carroll and their two children Mark and Layla along with son Scott and his wife Shelly, as well as Michael and Darlene Blackmer who became family through the years.

Ike was a loving husband, brother, father, grandfather, uncle and friend. The void he leaves behind is vast, but equally vast are the many memories and love he bestowed upon us all. Per Ike's wishes, there will be no service at this time. However, a celebration of life will be scheduled this coming summer.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Tahquamenon Sports Boosters, in care of Tahquamenon Area Schools, 700 Newberry Ave., Newberry, Michigan 49868 in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed at www.beaulieufuneralhome.com.

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.



OBITUARY

Ernest D. Halliwill

SEMPER FI!!! For Lance Corporal Ernest D. Halliwill, of Gulliver, the war ended on November 10, 2020.

Ernie was born at home on August 28, 1951 to Lowell and Marlys (Brown) Halliwill of Vermontville, MI; number six in a family of ten children. He graduated from Maple Valley High School, in Vermontville, with the class of 1972, and was drafted into service to our Country the same year. After doing a tour of duty in Vietnam, he left the service in 1975.

In August of 1976, he married Caroline Nash of Nashville, MI, and they had four children: Nathan (Juneith) Halliwill of Phoenix, AZ, Erin Halliwill of Manistique, MI, Timothy Halliwill of Manistique, MI, and Joseph (Christine) Halliwill of Curtis, MI. Ernie was also the foster father to eight disabled children and eleven exchange students. He is preceded in death by his parents, father and mother-in law, Donald and Alice Nash; a brother, Kenneth; and a sister, Linda Pullen.



Ernie is survived by his wife, Caroline; his four wonderful children; and eight blessed grandchildren. Also surviving are sister, Mary Lehman of Nashville, MI; brothers, Bob, Leroy, David, and Ed of Charlotte, MI; Jim and Raymond of Nashville, MI; and a sister-in-law, Cecelia Zinn of Gulliver.

The family wants to thank Northwoods Home Health and Hospice for their wonderful care of Ernie, nurses Gary and Emily, aides Mary, Wanda (who always brought treats for all our animals), Emelia, and Christina, and to Courtney who graciously put up with Caroline.

Cremation has taken place, and burial services will take place in the spring. Memorial contributions in Ernie's name may be directed to the Eva Burrell Humane Society, or to Northwoods Home Nursing and Hospice. Fausett Family Funeral Homes of Manistique is assisting the family with the arrangements. Condolences may be left on their website at Fausettfh.com

Helen Newberry Joy Hospital:

Kenneth Landau appointed as new CFO

Helen Newberry Joy Hospital has announced the appointment of Kenneth Landau, CPA, CHFP as the hospital's Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

"We are excited to have Kenneth join the Helen Newberry Joy Hospital team," said Hunter Nostrant, CEO of HNJH. "In this time of rapid change in healthcare, his previous experience in rural healthcare and financial leadership will be a great benefit in supporting the long-term needs and goals of our organization."

Ken brings over 20 years of financial leadership experience with 15 of those in the healthcare industry, most recently as Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer for Curry Health Network. The network is comprised of a hospital and several medical clinics located on the southern Oregon coast.

He earned a Bachelor of Science in accounting from Sonoma State University in California.

War Memorial Hospital

Self Collection Testing Hours Update

Beginning Monday, November 16 the hours for War Memorial Hospital's self-collection COVID-19 testing will be 7 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The self-serve pick up is at blue bin on Nolte Street near the hospital. The drop off box is located inside the Nolte St. entrance. There is parking along Nolte St. to swab yourself while on-site. Please wait 3 days after exposure before testing.

Seasonal gatherings and COVID-19

As the Upper Peninsula is moving into hunting and holiday season in the final weeks of 2020, unfortunately COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations increased rapidly in just a few short weeks. Until a vaccine is available, we need your help more than ever to protect lives, help schools remain open, and keep our hospitals and public health able to care for all in our area – whether they have COVID or other medical or prevention service needs.

All of us at Chippewa County Health Department and LMAS District Health Department fully understand the traditions of hunting camps and holiday gatherings with friends and families. We also know that when gathering with friends and family who do not live in the same household it is easy to feel safe in those situations and forget the things that need to be done to protect yourself and others from COVID-19. Unfortunately, through recent case investigation, those comfortable gatherings with a few friends or family from more than one household have ended with multi-

ple cases of COVID, and some who are now very ill and in hospitals.

This may be the most difficult thing we have asked you to do, but we need you to limit your gatherings – whether it's deer camp, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Eve or a game night – to just your immediate household.

We do understand the importance of these events and the coming together for tradition and enjoying time with loved ones, but we need you to get creative and find other ways to hold on to those traditions without risking spreading or getting COVID-19. For holiday celebrations, use virtual tools such as Zoom or FaceTime. Porch deliver holiday meals to relatives not in your household. Return to the tradition of sending hand-written holiday cards and letters.

For LMAS, there has been a 30% increase in total cases in just the last 12 days, from 472 to 614. Fifty percent of the total cases are considered recovered, which means the person is still alive 30 days after onset of symptoms or referral date.

For Chippewa County Health Department, there was a 100% increase over the same time period, from 201 cases to 402 on November 11. Total recovered for Chippewa is 98, which represents only 24% of their total.

The bottom line is, we need your help. We need you to stay home when you don't feel well. We need you to be diligent in doing each of these small things every time you leave your homes. Only with your help and commitment will we start to bring these numbers down.

- Wear a clean cloth face mask which covers your mouth and nose.
- Maintain at least six feet of distance between yourself and people not in your immediate household.
- Avoid gatherings with people not in your immediate household.

Will you help us? #DoSmallThings #TakeCareOfEachOther

For more COVID information, please visit Michigan.gov/coronavirus, LMASDHD.org, and ChippewaHD.com.

Curtis Chirpings

The most tiresome game

By Lyle Painter

By today, I was certain the 2020 Presidential election would be unofficially over; but it is still ongoing!

The presumptive, president-elect has been declared the winner by a vast plurality of people from both major USA political parties and media outlets. The presumptive, president-elect has over 5 million more popular votes than the incumbent president. The presumptive, president-elect has over 30 more electoral votes than necessary to win the election.

But, before the State Electoral Delegates meet to cast the only constitutional required presidential vote, each state must certify the election. The certification timeline is different in each state. My guarded anticipation is that after the total Electoral College meets and casts their official votes on December 14, this election “game” will finally be conceded and ended. It’s making me tired.



Lyle and Marge Painter

Instead, the only occurrences that are all but officially conceded are the football seasons for the University of Michigan and the Michigan State University teams. The Detroit Lions are still alive; albeit on life support.

The interesting thing about UM, MSU and Lions football games, as compared to the 2020 election, is that when the game-clock expires, the team with the most points (votes) is declared the winner. The team with the

least points (votes) is considered the non-winner, or the team that lost, or the loser. Occasionally, you may see the head coach talk on television, radio and with the print media reporters, arguing they lost the game because of an illegal action or inaction by the referees.

The fan bases of those teams listen to the head coach and rally. They say such things as “the game was stolen from us and/or the other team cheated.” Sometimes the fans are so

upset that they protest the game and damage other people’s property. So sad, so unnecessary, so meaningless, so stupid!

If the team wants to appeal their loss, they can petition their league or conference administrators to lodge a formal complaint and have the results of the game overturned, or other appropriate actions. The formal petition, stating the plaintiff’s argument, is then assigned a date and time for a hearing. The hearing officer then makes a decision based on actual facts.

Hearsay is not considered as a fact. Reading what your fans say on social media is not considered admissible evidence.

Never has a game outcome changed due to a decision from a hearing officer. The real purpose of the appeal is not to win, but to continue to engage the fan base for their support. Even if they lose, they do not want anyone to think they are a loser.

Is a national election just a long, drawn out game?

Letters

All letters reflect the opinion of the letter writer and not necessarily the opinion of the Newberry News. Letters should be 350 words or less, should not contain personal attacks, and can address political candidates within the state level.

To the Editor:

It’s OFFICIAL. We have cancelled our Thanksgiving Get Together. Family members who were planning to be here to celebrate are also staying home. My daughter will continue to be alone in Chicago. She was loving and generous to be the first to cancel, although she has been isolating alone since March. She is afraid she might infect us, and knowing we are in the vulnerable age group, won’t take the chance. We have let our other family members who were coming know that due to the high numbers of COVID positive in Luce County, the recent school outbreak and the fact hospitals are not accepting transfers because of their lack of capacity, we are not comfortable with having people gather.

Are we sad? No. We are disappointed. We are hopeful that others throughout Luce County, the U.P., Michigan, and the rest of the country are doing the same. We are hopeful we can “flatten the curve” AGAIN. We are hopeful that this action, multiplied by millions of other families, will mean this is the first and last time Thanksgiving together will have to be cancelled. I am pretty sure our Christmas get together is likely to be cancelled this year too.

This year our holidays will be different, but we will celebrate the love and sacrifice we are making for each other and for the future.

Laura Generou LCSW
McMillan

Just Bill

Who are ‘we the people’?

By Bill Diem

I loved reading in the paper last week about the Michigan Historical Commission’s plans to rethink some of the state’s historical markers. The big example was the one on US-2 proclaiming that Lake Michigan, the seventh largest freshwater lake in the world, was discovered by the French explorer Jean Nicolet in 1634.

That might be true for Louis XIII in France. From his point of view, the lake was undiscovered before Nicolet saw it. But of course, that is a total joke from the point of view of the Indians who were guiding Nicolet on his journey. The Anishinaabe people – Ottawa, Ojibwa, Potawatomi, Algonquin – had been paddling around the lake and spearing sturgeon at the mouth of the Manistique River for centuries.

The thing is, today, descendants of

those Ojibwa guides live right beside descendants of the French explorers and English pilgrims and Irish immigrants and freed slaves and Chinese students and Syrian refugees that live in America.

If you just got here in America from Lebanon, and you are just happy to be alive, you could look at that historical marker and think, “Geez, 1624 is nothing. In Baalbeck, two hours east of Beirut, there are Roman buildings from 300 BC.” If you live on the reservation at Bay Mills, you probably just shrug.

People who run things make themselves the “we.” Other people are the “other.”

Who was the first man to climb Mt. Everest? I learned in school that it was Sir Edmund Hillary, and I remember his name decades later. But I can’t remember the name of Tenzing Norgay, the Nepalese guide who was there beside Hillary, carrying some of his stuff. Two guys were the

first to climb to the crest of Mr. Everest, but we learned about one of them.

We students also learned the words to the preamble to the Constitution:

“We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.”

Those are such lovely words. What else does a country need but justice, tranquility, safety, liberty and concern for the general welfare of the population. But at the time it was written, of course, the “We” didn’t include women or slaves.

Women, who became citizens 100 years ago, are climbing pretty well into the “we.” Before the Nov. 3 election, there

were 26 women in the 100-seat Senate and 101 in the 435-seat House. Descendants of slaves have had a harder time getting into the “we.” The last legal barriers to their participation in life only fell in 1964. Kamala Harris might be the first descendant of slaves, through her Jamaican father, to reach the White House. Barack Obama’s dad was from Africa.

I am beginning to think that we might have to reject “people” as the synonym for “we,” because it just causes problems. On the other hand, “We the humans” is inclusive, covering Baptists, survivalists, Freemasons, queers, Democrats, prisoners, CEOs, and priests.

“Lake Michigan was discovered by humans at a date unknown to historians, but water began filling the glaciated basins about 14,000 years ago.”

Bill Diem lives in Paris.

Traveling through time

By Sterling McGinn

From November 22, 1895
Local and County

—H. L. Harris, of the Newberry Celery Garden, booked an order this week for three hundred dozen celery from one party, for use on Thanksgiving day.

—R. A. Manhard is now associated with his father M. R. Manhard and J. C. Foster in the hardware business here and will make his home here in future.

Thanksgiving Missionary Service in Dollarville

Next Sunday evening the Presbyterian Sunday school of Dollarville will hold a “Thanksgiving Missionary Service” in the school house at 7:30 p.m. The audience will be provided with beautifully printed, profusely illustrated programs, which consist of singing responsive readings, praise service and historical sketches.

This fine eight-page program will be a beautiful program to keep for all time. All people in Dollarville are invited to come in and have an enjoyable and profitable service next Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m.

From November 26, 1920

Curtail Operations

The Charcoal Iron Company has

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By D. A. MILLER.

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D. A. MILLER.

This ad ran in the Newberry News in 1895.

announced a very material curtailment of its operations here, orders having been issued to suspend all woods operations, and as soon as the logs now on the banks are manufactured, their saw mill is also to be closed.

A reduction in wages of 7 ½ cents per hour has been announced also, affecting all the men in its employ. The woods crews are being discharged and how long the camps and mill will be closed is problematic, depending upon market conditions.

Curtailment of operations at the company’s plant at Manistique has

also been affected, and it is said that similar action is being taken by all the lumber operators in the peninsula.

The lumber market is in a badly demoralized condition and manufacturers are loath to go on piling up stock with practically no demand for their product. The iron market is also in a very unsatisfactory condition; purchasers are holding off for a more stable condition.

From November 26, 1970

Indians take on Miners

Coach Jim Depew’s Newberry Indians basketball team will try to make it three straight tonight in the Newberry gym against the invading Negaunee Miners at 8 p.m.

The Indians are fresh from two straight victories over Loretto and Munising in their first two games of the season.

Pacing the Indian attack will be lanky George Labron, who paced the Indians with 31 points against Loretto and 27 against Munising last Friday night. Also showing some offensive punch is Dennis Bradley, who connected for 17 in his first game, and 24 against Munising.

Negaunee is an unknown quantity this year, but Marquette County teams are always tough for the Indians, and this game will be no exception.

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Three Lakes Academy student of the week



Third grader Alyvia Burton is Student of the Week at Three Lakes Academy. Alyvia, also known as "Viva", likes to eat walking tacos, hot dogs, pizza, and shrimp. She enjoys watching TV, playing with Hank, do stunts, and jump rope. Her favorite sport is basketball, and she enjoys watching Sister, Sister. If Alyvia had a million dollars, she would donate some and buy stuff.

Engadine Schools Update

MDHHS - New restrictions: Organized sports delayed

Effective immediately, all organized sports are delayed until further notice. Basketball practices scheduled for Monday afternoon have been cancelled. Ongoing football and volleyball playoffs have also been stopped.

MDHHS - New restrictions: High schools must be remote

Tuesday will be a normal in-person school day, but starting Wednesday, all 9-12 instruction will be via Distance Learning. Devices, chargers, and computer bags will be distributed to all high school students on Tuesday afternoon so they can begin Distance Learning on Wednesday.

Distance Learning uses the same times, schedule, and classwork as in-person instruction. To be counted in attendance for Distance Learning, students must be on live Zoom classes daily and on time. All work and Zoom classes can be accessed on Google Classroom, which students have already been using. If your family does not have Internet access, there are a few Internet hotspots available; please contact the school if you need one.

Free meals for Distance Learners

All Distance Learners are eligible for free meals. Please fill out the food box order form, which is available on our website and Facebook pages. Orders must be received by Wednesday evening this week, though typically the weekly due date is Monday evening. Food boxes contain one week's worth of food, and may be picked up on Friday from 1 - 3 p.m.

K-8 Instruction

Currently, no changes have been announced for



Josh Reed

K-8 students or for GSRP Pre-K families. K-8 parents still have the option to send students to school for in-person learning or participate via Distance Learning. If you would like to switch to Distance Learning, please contact the school.

Joshua Reed
Engadine Schools Superintendent and 7-12 Principal

Tahquamenon Area Schools news

Greetings Tahquamenon Area School Community,

The patience and flexibility that this community continually shows is wonderful and appreciated. We need to continue to work together to get through these times.

Update information

Please make sure your students' information is updated in PowerSchool and as parents you are signed up to receive all the alerts. K12 SWIFT is the most effective and efficient way to get information out to parents/guardians. Please contact 293-3226 to contact building secretaries if you need to update.

Have a plan

Going virtual will happen. Please start planning for what this means for your family. Students will be required to log-in and participant in Google Meet meetings daily.

Assignments will be graded, and grades will count.

All attendance and grading policies will still apply. Students in grades 9-12 need to keep in mind the 10 absences policy. You are not allowed to have more than 10 absences per course in a semester. More than 10 absences will cause you to fail the course for the semester.

Mask

Mask wearing is becoming an issue; they are being worn incorrectly. When you choose to send your child to school, you are saying that your child will wear their mask correctly.

This message is addressing the students that wear it below their nose or chin constantly, and are doing it by choice. Making that choice is going against state and school board adopted guidelines.

The increase in numbers in

our area have staff and students concerned. PLEASE talk with your child about this and stress that masks must be worn CORRECTLY. Safety for ALL is the number one priority of the district so students NEED to do their part.

School counselors available

K-6 - Kristin Derusha -
kdreusha@taschools.org -
906-293-3226 ext. 1234

7-12 - Kristi Palmer -
kpalmer@taschools.org -
906-293-3226 ext. 1119

Please know that this resource to available in our district for ALL students and parents. TAS Virtual Families (on-line learning)

Please communicate with your teacher and/or special education provider as 2-way communication is required by the state for the district to be able to count you for state funding.

K-6 Virtual teacher is
Kendra Feldhusen. Email ad-



Stacy Price

dress is
kfeldhusen@taschools.org.

7-12 Virtual teacher is
Vince Leveille. Email address
is
vleveille@taschools.org.

If you want to speak with them, please call 293-3226 and your call will be directed.

Hope everyone is doing well. If you have any questions, please call 293-3201 or email sprice@taschools.org. GO INDIANS!!!!

Stacy Price

be nice. blast

11-15-2020



Brought to you by the TAS School Counselors, Mrs. Derusha & Ms. Palmer. Contact us if you need anything! 293-3226

be nice.
Practicing this at least once a day or whenever you are feeling stressed, exhausted or discouraged will chase those feelings away!

END OF THE DAY CHECKLIST

What are **3** good things that happened today?

What is **1** thing that you're grateful for?

What is **1** thing that was difficult? Now, let it go.

How did you show up for **YOURSELF** and **OTHERS** today?

Now, switch your attention to home. **REST & REJUVENATE**

<https://www.benice.org>

be active.

SELF CARE IDEAS
by mellow doodles

- Read more books than tweets
- Limit your consumption of bad news
- Turn off your notifications
- Listen to what your body needs
- Plan something to look forward to
- Wear clothes that make you happy (and cozy)
- Say no to (or avoid) things that make you feel bad
- Ask for help and advice with difficult tasks

be aware.

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	General Surgery - Dr. Bryant.....	906-293-9239
	Podiatry - Dr. Hunter.....	906-635-9511
20	General Surgery - Dr. Bryant.....	906-293-9239
	Orthopedics - Dr. Woolever.....	906-635-5100
	Pediatrics - Dr. Robertson.....	906-293-9233
23	Pulmonology/Sleep - C. Norman, NP.....	906-293-9118
24	Allergy & Asthma - Dr. Ranta.....	906-253-0400
25	Cardiology - Dr. Giroux.....	906-632-6013
	General Surgery - Dr. Bryant.....	906-293-9239
26	Prenatal & Family Medicine.....	906-225-3864
30	Pulmonology/Sleep - C. Norman, NP.....	906-293-9118
	Pulmonology/Sleep - Dr. Washington.....	906-293-9118

DECEMBER

18	Cardiology - Dr. Giroux.....	906-632-6013
	General Surgery - Dr. Bryant.....	906-293-9239
	Oncology/Hematology - Dr. Jensen.....	906-293-9118

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Thanking those who served our country

Newberry Middle School students recently wrote letters to veterans in honor of Veterans Day. Below is a collection of some of their writings.

Dear Veteran,

I think you deserve respect and love. You deserve to be thanked every day for your hard work in the service. You are one of the most important people. You helped keep our country safe and free. Even if you didn't go into any war you still helped keep us safe.

If it was not for you, we may not have fun activities. I thank you for your time you spent to keep people safe.

Sincerely,
Jonas

Dear Veteran,

My name is Austin, and I go to Newberry Schools. I thank you for serving our country, and thank you for fighting for this country. I think you deserve respect, you deserve to be loved, because you helped keep this country safe. Even if you did not serve in a war you still help keep us safe. Thank you for your service!

Sincerely,
Austin

Dear Veteran,

My name is Oliver and I just wanted to say something that everyone else should say as well: thank you. Thank you for giving your whole life, so that way I could live mine. The sacrifices you've made have given me a chance of growing up in a proud and free country with brave and loyal soldiers. I can't even begin to understand or even comprehend the horrors you have seen and the weight on your shoulders. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Oliver

Dear Veteran,

I go to Newberry Middle School, and I just wanted to say thank you for your service. You have given our country your life, time, energy and love. You are an honorable person and thank you doesn't seem enough to say I appreciate your service. Thank you again and always.

Sincerely,
Jack



Dear Veterans,

My name is Gabby. I go to Newberry Middle School. Veterans Day is coming up, and I want to give you a huge thank you for your service. Without you guys fighting for our country, America wouldn't be as great as it is today. You put your lives on the line to keep us safe, and to me that's outstanding. You left your entire family and home behind just to protect us. Thank you for keeping us safe, and setting a good example.

Sincerely,
Gabby

Dear Veteran,

First, thank you for your service. You have experienced things that no one should see. You fought for this country and the people in it. People like you have given their lives for ours, and for that you have my thanks. I am with the 7th grade leadership class of Newberry Middle School. Every word I say in this letter is true. I believe that it's people like you that put faith back in society, and for that I say thank you.

Sincerely,
Chelsea

Dear Veteran,

I'm writing this letter to thank you. I am proud of our country and you. I thank you for your service and your sacrifices. You have kept this country safe and free. If it wasn't for you, I probably wouldn't be here now. I can't say this enough: thank you. I sincerely appreciate you.

Sebastian

Dear Veteran,

My name is Nevaeh and with Veterans Day approaching I wanted to reach out and say thank you for everything you have done for our country. I appreciate how you risked your life for our freedom. I am also proud to be an American and all thanks to you. Thank you for your sacrifice, your bravery, and the example you set for all of us. Everyone is proud of your service.

Sincerely,
Nevaeh

NMU board approves new \$1 million U.P. scholarship fund and new transfer scholarships

The Northern Michigan University Board of Trustees approved two new scholarship initiatives. The Transfer UP-Winter Awards will support students who wish to enroll at NMU for the Winter 2021 semester, which begins Jan. 19. A new \$1 million U.P. scholarship fund is also being developed to assist freshmen and transfer students from the Upper Peninsula entering NMU in Fall 2021.

The one-time Transfer UP-Winter Awards apply to Michigan residents in three categories of students who begin at Northern in January. First-year students who qualified for NMU scholarships for Fall 2020, but did not enroll, will receive either the previously approved amount or the Transfer UP award of \$1,000, whichever is higher.

Michigan transfer students who enroll for the first time at NMU this winter will receive a \$1,000 bonus. Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society community college students will receive the \$1,000 Transfer UP Award, in addition to NMU's standard PTK award of \$500 per semester, for a total of \$1,500 for Winter 2021.

"In the midst of fluctuating circumstances related to the COVID-19 virus, students had to make decisions about college this fall that, for various reasons, perhaps didn't align with their first choice," said NMU Admissions Director Gerri Daniels. "We're trying to offer support during this challenging time and assist those students who would like to enroll at Northern next semester."

The NMU board also approved a new perpetual \$1 million scholarship fund to assist prospective U.P. students and their families. The fund recognizes the challenges many U.P. families face and provides support for attaining a great education close to home. The details of the new fund will be finalized by the first board meeting in 2021.

"We are so excited to build a program that will give students of the Upper Peninsula and their families assistance that will give them a solid jump start on funding their college experience," said NMU President Fritz Erickson. "The awards are planned to help minimize other challenges that might slow their educational progress."

Next Tahquamenon Area Schools board meeting:

Monday, December 21, 2020

The board will be revisiting online -vs- in-person learning at this meeting.

Current Plan:

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Getting to know you: Amber Taylor

By Sarah Pleiman

Born in West Virginia, Amber Taylor has loved the Newberry area since she moved here in 4th grade. She loves the colors and climate of the fall here - not too hot, not too cold, it's just right. She loves to be outdoors with her husband and their six children. Hiking and exploring the western end of the Upper Peninsula are a couple of her favorite things to do, as well as raising chickens.



Amber Taylor

She's proud of all of her family, but especially appreciative of her husband. They have been married for about 12 years now, and he continues to be there for Amber and her family. Some of the best advice he's given her is to "just listen." We shouldn't listen to respond, we should listen to hear, then think about it, then form a response. When someone is talking to you, turn to them, look them in the eyes, and really listen to what they are telling you.

Amber has the schooling to be an auto diesel mechanic, but she's chosen to spend her days surrounded by children instead. She loves working with general education and special education students, and helping kids learn and play. She previously worked in Sault Ste. Marie, but took a job at Tahquamenon Area Schools last year for a shorter commute. In addition to less time in the car, Amber also loves working in Newberry. She truly loves her hometown, and wants to serve it any way that she can.

Light up the night



Sterling McGinn

Members of the Newberry Fire Department donated their time and effort to re-string the community Christmas tree in front of the American Legion on Saturday, November 14. The lights were donated by Snyder Drug. Pictured clockwise from the top are Justin Neff, Ed Clark, Bruce Klusmeyer, Steve Boyer and Jason Tokar.

A message of hope God has perfect timing

By Kyle Kuehl

We know that God's timing, even though it is perfect, is nothing like our own sense of time. There is no comparison between our calendar and the Lord's, of whom the psalmist says, "For a thousand years in Your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night" (Psalm 90:4). Yet however different God's timing may be, in the face of illness, tragedy, and especially death, for us the timing never seems right.

God, the Creator of time, has experienced time as we do. Jesus, true God and true man, was conceived and born. He grew and became strong and began His public ministry when He was about 30 years old. Jesus' timing during His ministry may not have seemed perfect to those around Him. Even the timing for His own death.

Did time seem to slow down for Jesus during those terrible events: His trial, the beatings, and the long hours on the cross? Finally, it was over and done. Jesus' body was prepared for burial and sealed in the tomb. Time passed, and at the first Easter dawn, His tomb was found open and empty! Jesus rose from the dead and He is alive for all eternity, no longer subject to death and no longer subject to time.

Jesus' timing was, is, and will always be perfect and arranged always for the glory of God the Father. The tragic events we experience may drag on through long hours or move so swiftly that we are left stunned and barely able to respond. Through it all, we have our risen Lord's promise, "I am with you always" (Matthew 28:20).

Jesus will not delay. Through long hours or rapidly unfolding events, Jesus is present. And when our last hour comes and we fall asleep in Jesus, we will, without delay, be "at home with the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:8).

One day Jesus will return and bring an end to all funeral processions. The Lord will summon us to rise! We will be raised bodily from graves left as open and empty as our Lord's own tomb. The timing will, of course, be perfect, and it will not be our timing, but His.



Kyle Kuehl

Kyle Kuehl pastors the Trinity Lutheran Church of Newberry

Holiday Cheer: Christmas lights contest returns to Newberry

Let's make the end of 2020 bright! The Newberry Area Chamber of Commerce is bringing back a town favorite - a Christmas lights contest! The contest is open to both commercial and residential participants, with a prize awarded in each category. Participants must register (for free) before Decem-

ber 16 to take part. Judging will take place December 18 by Chamber board members.

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From the press box:

Will we see winter sports?

By Dan Hardenbrook



Dan Hardenbrook

At this point I'm cautiously optimistic—with a heavy emphasis on the cautious part. I get it; anybody that can read a graph or a pie chart can see what's going on. I'm done with the debate on what is right and wrong with how to handle the issue. As much as it worried me, I was ready to accept the "Mask-lete" era even though in my heart everything I've learned and everything I've experienced personally tells me it's dangerous and potentially deadly. I played by the rules, just like many others and hoped for the best.

We made it through the fall sports season with very few hiccups. We made it through together. It took every kid, every coach, every fan. We finished the fall; we should all feel proud.

Now that pride has been paused. A three-week stoppage of school sports has everyone wondering if we will see any winter sports at all.

It was always going to be an uphill battle. We fought for fall sports after they were taken away, with leaders ultimately changing their minds and giving the go-ahead because they sought out some very simple solutions.

Cross Country continued almost as normal. It was the one sport that was perfect for the pandemic. Very few tweaks had to be made before everyone was off and running. Football and volleyball battled bigger issues. But there were still simple solutions.

Volleyball's biggest issue was exchanging game balls after every time someone sent one into the stands. The game itself did not really change. Rules were not impacted. It may have been an inconvenience, but it wasn't impossible. Schools kept attendance in check; players naturally spread out in formations and the season finished with very few teams in the state missing time.

Football even fought back from a restart. Those concerned with contact had their points to pound on the table. But it became the only sport where you didn't have to wear a mask. A simple rewrite of the rules allowed face shields to be attached to helmets, which I think is safer anyway.

Winter was never going to be that easy. Basketball players can't spread out. They can't practice and play outside. Teams have to completely change the way they play, and more importantly the way they practice. Fast-paced, end-to-end, in-your-face.

Sure, they have breaks, but with small teams like ours, players will be right back out there after a short breather. How do you play defense? Most importantly, how do you physically train or prepare the players?

It's hard enough to compete with COVID related restrictions. But basketball's issues exceed that. Schools are already shutting down for extended periods of time. You can't get in the gym if you can't get in the building. And that's just for practice. At this point, many teams haven't even practiced.

The MHSAA website says that teams need to have 21 days between their first practice and their first game. Sure, they could change that. But in a year where physical health is a huge issue and player conditioning is critical, I think they'll want the full practice time. Twenty-one days from December 9 puts us a month into the season. An average of six girls games and four boys games will have been missed.

They can be rescheduled. But how will players handle four or five nights of "Mask-etball" in a week? I'm afraid they won't.

Then there's the face-to-face physical sport of wrestling. Tell me how that is supposed to work when the two biggest things we can do are wear a mask and stay away from each other. Might as well play tag and run away. How about hockey? It's often faster and more physical than football.

Even if we get the all clear after three weeks, the MHSAA says the number one priority is finishing the fall tournaments. That could add another two weeks onto the calendar. Do you let some schools start practicing while making the others wait for their fall sports teams to compete? Not sure how fair that is. If we push back the winter sports season into January, are you also ok with baseball, softball, track and golf going into June and July?

Once again we are left with more questions than we can answer at this time.

Everyone is willing to do whatever it takes. I hope this pause helps flatten the curve. I'm all for a short-term sacrifice if it helps us reach our long-term goals of getting back to normal.

I love the winter sports season. It's where I got my start, and where I've grown the most professionally. We are all better off with basketball, wrestling, and hockey...

Oh my goodness...can you imagine this town without hockey!? I hope to see you all at a game sometime soon. I'm just not sure when and where it will be.

Area football players named All Conference

By Dan Hardenbrook

Following the final regular season games, coaches from the Great Lakes 8-Man Conference, which includes Engadine in the Eastern Division and Newberry as a member of the Western Division, made their case for their players to be picked to this season's All-Conference teams.

Players were picked first by division, then nominated for the overall All-Conference team, which included the best from this year's league. Evaluations for those All-Conference selections were extremely difficult, as many of the teams in the league played different amounts of games, which made comparing stats and records more challenging than normal. With the mix of teams including two of the top teams in the state (Pickford and North Central), another regional finalist (Cedarville), and plenty of playoff qualifiers including Newberry, Forest Park, Stephenson,

Rudyard, and Brimley, the battle for the All-Conference awards had plenty of deserving players.

In Western Division voting, six different Newberry players were picked, including two who earned honorable mention. The West Division team selections included Ivan Oswald, Logan Depew, Coleton Labadie, and Eric Edwards; and Johnny Nutkins and Liam Shanley received honorable mention. North Central was chosen as the Western Division's top team. Over in the East, it was an uphill battle for anyone on the Engadine Eagles. Despite a disappointing 0-6 season, the Eagles still had four players earn East Division honors. Nick Nance and Matthias Miller made the All Division Team, with Drew French and Aaron Buss being selected as Honorable Mentions. In the East Division Team of the Year voting the coaches were split on undefeated Pickford, who only played four regular season games, and

Cedarville and Rapid River, who both went 5-1.

The coaches then had to pick from each division to come up with the best of the best for the overall Great Lakes 8-Man All-Conference Team. Nick Nance was the only Engadine player picked, earning one of the Offensive Linemen spots. For Newberry, Edwards was chosen as WR/TE, and Depew and Oswald ended up on the defensive side of the ball where they were both at their best. Oswald was selected as a Defensive Tackle and Depew as a Defensive Back.

The conference awards went to North Central (Team of the Year), North Central QB Luke Gorzinski (Offensive Player of the Year) and Cedarville LB Grant Fountain (Defensive Player of the Year). Cedarville's Scott Barr was named the conference Coach of the Year.

All photos below by Jeff Rochefort



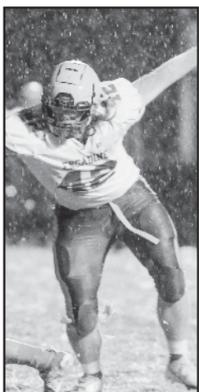
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Sports seasons back on the bench

By Dan Hardenbrook

The reactions ranged from shock and disbelief to anger and disappointment. Some understand and say they saw it coming.

One thing everyone agrees on is that losing a second sports season in 2020 isn't how they hoped the year would end.

Coaches had to cancel their practices. Athletic directors are destroying the winter sports schedules they just finalized. The media is trying to make sense of it all. Schools are scrambling to figure out what's best for their students...and the kids are crushed...again.

After a decision from the state, MHSAA formally suspended their remaining fall sports tournaments and the start of the winter sports season. It brought back the bitter taste from the month of March, when similar circumstances stopped the school sports year in its tracks. Tournaments were left unfinished, and the spring season never got started. The MHSAA says they will follow the state's three-week hold, and that they'll do everything they can to avoid a similar situation this time.

In an announcement following Governor Gretchen Whitmer's Press Conference, MHSAA Executive Director Mark Uyl stated, "We understand the need for action, and we will explore all options to complete our fall tourna-

ments when restrictions are lifted. We will assess everything over the next three weeks relative to fall and winter sports and come up with a plan that keeps us connected to our goal, for months, of having three seasons that are played to their conclusions."

Uyl also met with members of the media as part of a Zoom press conference on Monday. He said that the MHSAA's executive council will go to work this week, trying to figure out a plan to complete the final week of tournaments for volleyball and LP swimming and diving, as well as the final two weeks of the football playoffs with the hope that they can be completed in December after this latest round of restrictions are lifted.

Locally, all eyes had already shifted from the recently completed fall football season to the upcoming basketball season. The girls started practice last week while the boys were supposed to get going Monday.

For some, the change is still sinking in.

"I'm not sure what to think yet," said Lady Indians Coach Jim Dzelak. His team has high hopes for the upcoming season, but has already been struggling, with multiple practices already cancelled before this past weekend's news.

Few people are getting hit with news from more angles than Kenn Depew. Newberry's Athletic Director

will now navigate through his third straight sports season of chaos. This time, he has to do it as coach of the Newberry Varsity boys basketball team as well. He and his longtime secretary Deb Canfield were still trying to figure out how the schedule changes would look earlier this week.

Depew sees it from all sides, and is hoping that everyone around him can come together, much like his teams on the floor. "I just hope everyone can stay safe and follow the recommendations," he said. "My hope is to start up on the 8th".

Engadine boys basketball coach Walter Hanson is now seeing a shutdown stop a second straight season. His team was scheduled to play for a district championship in March when their season was cut short. They never got to play for that championship, and now they aren't sure when their new season will start. Hanson understands the situation.

"It's not unexpected. With cases rising and several schools being closed something had to be done," he said. "I assumed that a handful of games before Christmas would've had to be moved anyways." Hanson said he and his players are upset, but know that this is bigger than basketball. "Sure, we are bummed. Hopefully we can get this spread under control and we can start up after the three-week delay is over."

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Sterling McGinn

Deer check stations and TB/CWD testing

This year, deer check station operations will look different. Hunters can expect extra safety measures to be in place to protect the health and safety of all. Hunters are required to wear masks at DNR deer check stations and to remember social distancing guidelines, staying 6 feet away from other individuals at the check station. You will be asked to remain in your vehicle at most check stations.

When submitting a deer head for CWD or TB testing at a DNR check station, come prepared with the county, township, range and section where your deer was harvested. Your deer head should also be removed, with 2-3 inches of the neck remaining. If you would like to keep the antlers, please remove those from the head, but bring them with you when you visit a check station so antler measurements can be taken.

Deer cooperator patches will be available ONLY at DNR deer check stations, during check station hours of operation, while supplies last.

The DNR is focusing its CWD surveillance ef-

orts in southern Jackson, southern Isabella and western Gratiot counties, and the core CWD surveillance area in the Upper Peninsula (portions of Dickinson, Menominee and Delta counties). Deer heads from these areas will be accepted for CWD testing from Oct. 3 – Jan. 4. These are areas where CWD has been identified, but more information is needed to determine the extent of the disease.

Deer heads from Clinton, Dickinson, Eaton, Gratiot, Ingham, Ionia, Jackson, Kent and Montcalm counties will be accepted for testing from Nov. 15-18 only. USDA-approved lab testing is available for hunters in these areas at any time for a fee.

If you hunt in the remainder of the state and you want your deer tested for CWD, your deer head or the lymph nodes from the deer must be submitted to a USDA-approved lab for testing. Hunters will be charged a fee.

For information about USDA-approved labs conducting CWD testing visit Michigan.gov/CWD and click on "For Hunters."

Harvest a doe: antlerless deer licenses available

If you're hunting in an area with high deer numbers or a disease-prevalent area, consider taking a doe this year to help manage Michigan's deer herd.

Harvesting female deer, the drivers of the deer population, is a key element in deer management. So it's important to consider increasing doe harvest in areas with stable or overpopulated

deer numbers to ensure deer numbers stay within healthy population ranges. This is especially crucial in known disease areas, where deer numbers often need to be lowered to help minimize the future spread of the disease. Ideally, buck and doe harvest should be relatively equal at minimum, with more does taken than bucks in disease areas.

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MDHHS issues three-week Epidemic Order to save lives, protect frontline heroes during fall COVID-19 surge

New order limits indoor and outdoor gatherings where COVID-19 is more likely to spread from person to person

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) issued a new emergency order today that enacts a three-week pause targeting indoor social gatherings and other group activities in an effort to curb rapidly rising COVID-19 infection rates.

Under this order, indoor residential gatherings are limited to two households at any one time. However, MDHHS strongly urges families to pick a single other household to interact with over the next three weeks, consistent with new guidance released by the department. The order is aimed at limiting residential and non-residential gatherings where COVID-19 spreads rapidly. Bars and restaurants will be open for outdoor dining, carry-out and delivery only. Gyms will remain open for individual exercise with strict safety measures in place. Casinos, movie theaters and group exercise classes will be closed. Professional and college sports meeting extraordinary standards for risk mitigation may continue without spectators, however all other organized sports must stop. Colleges and high schools may proceed with remote learning, but must end in-person classes.

“In the spring, we listened to public health experts, stomped the curve, and saved thousands of lives together. Now, we must channel that same energy and join forces again to protect our families, frontline workers and small businesses,” said Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. “Right now, there are thousands of cases a day and hundreds of deaths a week in Michigan, and the number is growing. If we don’t act now, thousands more will die, and our hospitals will continue to be overwhelmed. We can get through this together by listening to health experts once again and taking action right now to slow the spread of this deadly virus.”

“Indoor gatherings are the greatest source of spread, and sharply limiting them is our

focus,” said MDHHS Director Robert Gordon. “The order is targeted and temporary, but a terrible loss of life will be forever unless we act. By coming together today, we can save thousands of lives.”

Today’s order, which takes effect Wednesday, Nov. 18, is not a blanket stay-home action like in the spring. The order leaves open work that cannot be performed from home, including for manufacturing, construction and health occupations. Outdoor gatherings, outdoor dining and parks remain open. Individualized activities with distancing and face masks are still allowed: retail shopping; public transit; restaurant takeout; personal-care services such as haircuts, by appointment; and individualized exercise at a gym, with extra spacing between machines.

Michigan has seen fewer outbreaks associated with elementary and middle schools, and younger children are most in need of in-person instruction. In-person K-8 schooling may continue if it can be done with strong mitigation, including mask requirements, based on discussion between local health and school officials. Childcare also

remains open to support working parents. Throughout this crisis, Michigan’s teachers and childcare workers have served on the front lines ensuring support for working parents and educating our children. Governor Whitmer’s administration has worked around the clock to protect Michigan’s teachers and childcare workers and the other heroes serving on the front lines of the pandemic.

“The data we are seeing is alarming. COVID-19 is impacting every area of our state. Our healthcare systems are becoming overwhelmed, and our contact tracers cannot keep up,” said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health at MDHHS. “If we do not act now, we risk thousands more deaths, and even more people having long-term health consequences. The actions we are taking today are the best opportunity we have to get this virus under control.”

“We know these restrictions are difficult, but we support them as a necessary step to mitigate the spread of this virus. We have seen firsthand the devastating effects of COVID-19,” said Wright L. Lassiter III,

president and CEO of Henry Ford Health System. “The dramatic rise in admissions at hospitals across Michigan is not sustainable. We strongly urge everyone to honor these restrictions and continue safety measures like wearing masks, avoiding gatherings, and practicing social distancing and hand hygiene. Preventing the spread is our collective responsibility and we must be willing to make these sacrifices to save lives of those we love.”

“Restaurants and bars have been hit particularly hard by the COVID-19 pandemic but we understand these new restrictions while painful are necessary to try to flatten the curve and save lives,” said Paola R. Mendivil, owner of El Granjero Mexican Grill, a family-owned restaurant in Grand Rapids. “We in the restaurant industry understand we have to listen to medical experts and work together to beat COVID-19 and we applaud the Governor for her continued support for additional federal stimulus dollars so we keep struggling restaurants and bars afloat during these difficult times and support the tens of thousands of restaurant workers who put themselves at risk each and every day.”

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*See Social Gathering Guidance. **Includes a limited number of NCAA sports.

For more information about the order, visit Michigan.gov/Coronavirus. Questions or concerns can be emailed to COVID19@michigan.gov.



Don't fall victim to phone scammers threatening to shut off utilities

Be aware: swindlers posing as utility companies are attempting to defraud people of money.

It is Utility Scam Awareness Week, Nov. 16-20, is sponsored by Utilities United Against Scams, an organization of U.S. and Canadian utilities and trade organizations formed to help combat fraud and inform and protect customers.

The MPSC typically sees a rise in complaints this time of year from Michiganders on the receiving end of calls in which scammers threaten to shut off service if customers don't take immediate actions that include making payments by gift cards, Bitcoin or other forms of payment. The increase in complaints also includes instances where callers manipulate caller ID to make it appear as if a utility company is making the call — commonly referred to as caller ID spoofing.

“We want Michiganders to know that utility companies do not use coercive scare tactics over the phone to force customers to pay bills, and they won't tell you your service will be shut off immediately without a payment,” said MPSC Chair Dan Scripps. “That kind of behavior is a dead giveaway that the caller is a scammer.”

Utility companies also will not:

- Endorse or require a prepaid debit card, gift card, Bitcoin or other cryptocurrency for payments;
- Collect payment at customers' homes or businesses; or
- Ask for Social Security numbers, bank account or credit card information by phone.

“If you get a call or a text message like this, hang up right away and verify the person contacting you is who they claim to be,” Attorney General Nessel said. “If you have any doubt about a caller, or suspect the call may be fraudulent, contact your utility using the phone number on your most recent bill and ask to speak to a customer service representative. You should also file a complaint with my office so the proper authorities can respond accordingly.”

What's more, utility companies will not use coercive

tactics to try to get into your home. They require employees or contractors to wear company identification badges employees will be glad to show if asked.

“It's up to Michigan utility customers to be vigilant and recognize when callers are not who they say they are,” said Orlene Hawks, director of the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. “I'm pleased that the MPSC takes an active role this week and year round to help utility customers be on guard against scammers who often target vulnerable people, including seniors.”

The MPSC urges customers to be mindful about providing their account numbers or personal information such as name, address, date of birth, or Social Security number.

Utility customers who have mistakenly provided bank account information to someone they suspect might have been an impostor should call their bank and local police department. They also may file a complaint with the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at www.michigan.gov/agcomplaints and the Federal Trade Commission at 877-382-4357.

NOTICE

The Luce County Road Commission Office is now accepting applications for appointment to the Luce County Road Commission Board of Commissioners. This is a six-year term beginning January 01, 2021 and expiring December 31, 2026. Please send letters of interest along with a short resume to:

Luce County Road Commission
423 West McMillan Ave
P.O. Box 401
Newberry, MI 49868

Deadline for consideration is
December 04, 2020 @ 11:00 a.m.

Mackinac County Sheriff's Office: Weekly Activity Report

For the week of November 8 – 14, 2020 the following activity was reported by the Mackinac County Sheriff's Office:

- Deputies responded to six crashes; one with injuries involving an ATV, four involving car vs deer.
- Deputies provided seven assists to other agencies, including St. Ignace Police Department, Michigan State Police, Hudson Twp. Fire Department, DNR, Mackinac Island Police Department, and Ottawa County Sheriff's Office.
- Deputies provided one general assist to motorist.
- Deputies conducted one welfare check.
- Deputies investigated five suspicious situation complaints, two breaking & entering complaints and one fraud complaint.
- Deputies responded to two civil disputes.
- Seven subjects were booked into the Mackinac County Jail, one on a local warrant.

—Deputy Traci Lounsberry

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COUNTY OF LUCE

The Luce County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed County Budget for FY 2021 on Monday, November 23, 2020 at 4:15 p.m. in the Circuit Courtroom of the County Government Building located at 407 West Harrie Street, Newberry, Michigan 49868

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

A copy of the proposed 2021 Budget is available for public inspection at the Luce County Clerk's Office.

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Application deadline: November 27, 2020.
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LMAS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT
FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER/ PEER RECOVERY SPECIALIST
LMAS District Health Department is accepting applications for a Home Visiting Initiative Family Support Worker/Peer Recovery Specialist based in Luce, Mackinac, Alger, Schoolcraft or Chippewa County. This position is full-time with benefits. Job duties include but are not limited to: initiating and maintaining regular and long-term contact/support with families, primarily in the family's home, and, in particular, with parents who have a history of substance misuse, are currently misusing substances, or are in recovery from Substance Use Disorder; assisting in strengthening the parent-child relationship; assisting parents in improving their skills to optimize the home environment; improving the family support system; increasing the family's ability to problem solve and assume the role of advocate for themselves and their children.
A Bachelor's or Associate's degree in a human services field, and work experience with children 0-3 years of age with a knowledge of child growth/development and parent-child relationships preferred. A minimum of two years in recovery from a substance use disorder while working a recovery program is required. Possession of a valid driver's license is required.
Application/resume may be submitted to:
LMAS District Health Department, Human Resources, 14150 Hamilton Lake Road, Newberry, MI 49868, or emailed to aison@lmasdhd.org
Please visit our website to download an application: www.lmasdhd.org

New app notifies users of possible coronavirus exposure

MI COVID Alert, an anonymous, no-cost and voluntary app, lets users know whether they may have recently been exposed to COVID-19.

Users can confidentially submit a positive test result into the app and alert others in recent proximity that they may have also been exposed to the virus.

The app was piloted in Ingham County and on the campus of Michigan State University last month.

"COVID cases and deaths are now rising fast," said Robert Gordon, director of MDHHS. "Using MI COVID Alert on your cell phone is a simple, safe step that everyone can take to protect themselves and their loved ones. It's free, it's easy, and it protects your privacy."

Every Michigander is encouraged to download MI COVID Alert. Research from Oxford University found a potential to reduce infections and deaths, even if just 15% of a population uses an exposure notification app like MI COVID Alert. In the initial weeks of the MSU-Ingham County pilot alone, 46,704 people downloaded the app. The number is

the equivalent of approximately 23% of Ingham County residents ages 18- to 64-years-old and nearly 16% of the total Ingham County population.

When a person tests positive for COVID-19, they receive a randomly generated PIN from the local health department or State of Michigan case investigators that allows them to share their test results anonymously on the app. MI COVID Alert uses randomly generated phone codes and low energy Bluetooth technology instead of GPS location to protect privacy while looking back in time to determine close contact with other phones that have the app.

If someone was in close contact with another person who submitted a positive COVID-19 test result, the close contact will receive a push notification once the positive test result is entered into the system. A notification means the app user was possibly within six feet for at least 15 minutes of someone who tested positive.

Michigan worked with Apple and Google to make MI COVID Alert

compatible with similar apps in other states. The app is not a replacement for participation in contact tracing.

People who are exposed to COVID-19 should get tested and consider quarantining, including watching for symptoms for 14 days from the date of possible exposure. Individuals in need of testing may visit the COVID-19 website to find a testing location near them. They may also contact the Michigan COVID-19 hotline by calling 888-535-6136 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or dialing 2-1-1 on their mobile phone to locate and schedule an appointment at a nearby, off-campus testing location.

The exposure notification feature included in recent iOS and Android operating system updates only works with a companion app like MI COVID Alert. The app is available in the Apple and Google app stores.

Other states, including Virginia, Arizona, New York, Alabama and New Jersey, recently launched similar exposure notifications apps statewide. Additional states have apps in development.

Pathways CEO Mary Swift receives professional service award Announces retirement after 28 years

Pathways CEO, Mary Swift, of Marquette, was recently honored at the Community Mental Health Association of Michigan's (CMHAM) 2020 Annual Fall Conference as the David LaLumia Outstanding Professional Service Award Recipient.

The David LaLumia Outstanding Professional Service award is to honor individuals who have made, over time, an outstanding contribution to the Michigan's publicly funded mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorder systems.

Nominees are individuals employed in, or through, the publicly funded system (at a state, regional, county, or local level) and whose conduct, efforts, dedication and commitment on behalf of the system and its consumers have been of such a high caliber as to improve the public's

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services. The contributions made by nominees for this award are visible at the state level as well as within their communities' service area and manifest their dedication as advocates for collaboration and ambassadors for community mental health services and constituents.

Mary Swift's dedication and commitment to the Mental Health System has clearly been shown through her 28 years of services with Pathways. During her career, she has held a variety of positions which have included the responsibility of providing direct services, overseeing the services being provided, protecting the rights of those receiving services, and the management of the overall community mental health system for the Pathways' catchment area of Alger, Delta, Luce and Marquette counties. These responsibilities were performed in the positions of Case Manager for the Family Support Services, Program Supervisor for the Family Support Services, Supervisor of the Recipient Rights Office, Chief Operating Officer, and for the past 6 years, Pathways Chief Executive Officer.

Throughout Mary's career, her priority has always been focused on the individuals receiving services through the public mental health system. Her commitment to the health and wellness of those we serve can be seen through programs she has supported and assured were implemented within Pathways catchment area.

Swift has announced that she will be retiring April 30, 2021 following 28 years of services with Pathways. Due

to the pandemic, Pathways will not be able to host a retirement reception and encourage those that have worked closely with Mary to express their congratulations to her directly.

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LMAS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT
REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH LAB ANALYSTS
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Possession of a Bachelor's degree in Microbiology, Medical Technology, Clinical Laboratory Science, Molecular Biology, Biological Sciences or related field required. Testing experience, working knowledge of instrumentation, and at least one year of clinical laboratory experience working in a BSL3 or molecular diagnostics lab is preferred.
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LMAS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC HEALTH REGISTERED NURSE
LMAS District Health Department has an opening for a full-time Public Health Registered Nurse based in our St. Ignace office. The RN provides clinic-based services including WIC, immunizations, family planning, breast & cervical cancer screenings, STD testing and treatment, disease surveillance and prevention, counseling, and public education. Knowledge of public health programs is a plus. Seeking RN with current Michigan license, BSN preferred. Electronic health record experience desirable; computer literacy required.
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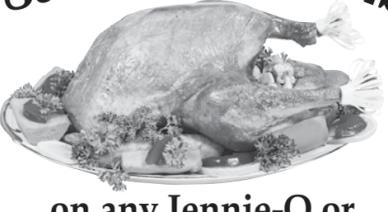
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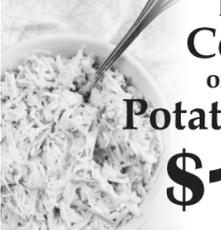
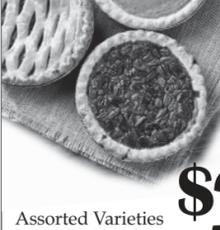
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