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## Briefs

### Newberry prisoner dies of COVID

The Michigan Department of Corrections has reported that one of the COVID patients from the Newberry Correctional Facility has died. This death is not included in Luce County's numbers. The News will continue to follow this story.



Sterling McGinn collection

The medical superintendent's home originally looked like this, but it was remodeled and painted light yellow in its final phase.

### Old home removed at former hospital

The medical superintendent's home at the former Newberry State Hospital was recently torn down. The home was built circa 1908 and was later remodeled. The house had been empty for years; part of its garage roof collapsed this January.

The home faced N. Prison Road near the intersection of County Road 451.

### COVID by county

Luce County gained two confirmed COVID-19 cases over the week, showing a continued positive trend of low infection rates in our county. Nearby counties are seeing a similar trend.

County	Cases	Deaths
Alger	190	1
Baraga	455	28
Chippewa	548	12
Delta	2,464	60
Dickinson	1,977	54
Gogebic	707	15
Houghton	1,573	25
Iron	765	32
Keweenaw	66	1
Luce	127	0
Mackinac	260	2
Marquette	3,121	51
Menominee	1,440	25
Ontonagon	277	15
Schoolcraft	201	3

Michigan still has the 10th most cases in the nation.

### Rahilly sworn in by retired judge



Courtesy of Brian Rahilly

Incoming 11th Circuit Court Judge Brian Rahilly, left, was sworn in on Monday, December 28, by retired Judge Bill Carmody, whose seat Rahilly is filling. Rahilly will hear his first cases next week.

### LMAS answers FAQs about COVID vaccine

As the first COVID-19 vaccines began being delivered late last week, we have received many questions about the vaccines, masks, and social distancing. Below are the questions we've heard most often at the LMAS District Health Department.

#### How long before the vaccine will be available for everybody?

Presently, the amount of available vaccine is going to the highest priority groups of health care workers, persons who work in long-term care facilities, and residents of those facilities. It will likely be months before adequate quantities of the vaccine are available for all.

#### Can I put my name on a waiting list for the vaccine?

There are no waiting lists for the shot. Health departments and hospitals and long-term care facilities are working hard right now to make sure that those who are in the highest priority levels get their two shot series. Much of the timing will depend on the pharmaceutical companies' ability to produce enough vaccine to meet demand.

#### Once I get my two shots of vaccine, can I go out without my mask and hang out with my friends again?

The vaccine will protect you from getting sick or at least reduce the severity of your illness, but you still might pick up the virus and spread it to others who haven't been vaccinated yet. Masks, social distancing, staying home when you don't feel well, and not gathering with people who don't live in your immediate household will remain necessary, and of course hand-washing, until researchers have adequate data about whether persons vaccinated might still be able to spread the virus to others or not. This is similar to the flu vaccine, in which a person who gets the shot may still get

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# See ya, 2020

## Remembering the other things

Made it! We made it to the end of the strangest, scariest year in recent history. While the pandemic dominated headlines, there were other stories, too. Here are some of the top news stories we covered during 2020.

Best wishes for a healthier, happier 2021.

From January 15, 2020

—Between now and May, third graders have a huge task ahead of them: Learn to read proficiently in time to pass the M-STEP assessment test at the end of the school year. There's no real reward, but the penalty is huge - third graders who cannot read proficiently will be told to repeat third grade.

This new educational hurdle is the result of Michigan's Read by Grade 3 law. The law was passed in 2016 and this year's third graders are the first to fully experience it.

—Five Upper Peninsula superintendents traveled to Lansing last week to meet with legislators and Governor Gretchen Whitmer.

The superintendents were invited to a ceremonial bill signing to commemorate the return of the 22d funding these schools rely on. Su-

perintendents from Whitefish Township Schools, Burt Township Schools, Beaver Island, Mackinac Island, and DeTour were there. Combined, they serve 319 students.

From January 29, 2020

—Under an oppressive load of heavy, wet snow, the roof of the Elks Lodge #1705 dining hall caved in on the morning of Friday, January 24.

The sole occupant in the building, located on M-123 in downtown Newberry, was a woman working in the kitchen at the time, and she was unharmed. The collapse put an immediate stop to the club's famous Friday night fish fry event, and all club events were paused until further notice.

—The Erickson Center for the Arts is pleased to announce that it has reached its fund-raising goal for the construction of a Performing Arts Theater on the grounds of the Center in Curtis.

The new facility will house a 160-seat theater with graduated permanent seating, a large stage and lobby and backstage dressing rooms for artists and performers.

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The roof over the dining hall at the Elks Club caved in. Photo courtesy Nancy Duffield.

### Getting the job

## HNJH staff receive first dose of COVID vaccine

By Carol Stiffler

Many members of the staff at Helen Newberry Joy Hospital and the William Gibson Family Health Clinic received the first dose of the Pfizer vaccine to fight COVID-19. The vaccine is optional at this point, said Dr. Patricia Gill, and about 100 employees opted to receive it.

Gill and her husband, Dr. Raghu Rao, received the vaccine on December 21. They felt typical symptoms after - fatigue, and a sore arm, but have no regrets.

"[We were] very glad we could get it so soon," Gill said. She and Rao felt safe taking it, she said, and posted photos of the vac-



Courtesy of Patricia Gill

Doctors Patricia Gill and Raghu Rao, above, received the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine on December 21, 2020.

nation on social media to encourage others to receive the vaccine when it's their turn.

Staff will need a second dose of the vaccine approx-

imately three weeks after receiving the first.

Doses of the Moderna vaccine, which received FDA approval shortly after the Pfizer vaccine, are

being distributed in other parts of the state. More than 17,000 doses of the vaccine have been distributed in Upper Michigan so far.

Both the Pfizer and Mod-

erna vaccines are mRNA vaccines, which is different from some vaccines of the past. Common vaccines use weak or dead virus cells to train the body's immune system. The COVID vaccines take a different approach. According to the CDC, the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines teach our cells how to make a spike protein - like those found on the outside of the COVID virus - by sending a messenger RNA to the cells. The cells learn to make the protein, identify it as an unwanted invader,

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### And now, for some good news



Another stimulus is coming. Congress has approved \$600 per-person payments in a year-end relief bill, and now President Trump and other lawmakers are trying to increase those checks to \$2,000 per person.

However it ends up, it seems apparent that help is on the way.

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*QUESTIONS, continued*

the flu, but not as severe, but they still would be able to spread the flu to others.

**Are we going to be wearing masks forever?**

It might feel like it, but no, not forever. Epidemiologists and other medical researchers estimate that about 70% of Americans – that is about 230 million people - must be vaccinated before we get to herd immunity through vaccination. It is at that level when enough people have immunity to the virus that it should run out of sufficient modes of transportation to continue to survive and spread.

It is going to take time to produce that many vaccines, especially with Pfizer and Moderna (the second vaccine approved by the FDA) both being a two-shot series, means that the United States alone will need about 460 million doses. The rest of the world is also needing vaccine – this will take time to produce adequate quantities. Add in the human capacity to actually administer the vaccines, and getting 70% of the population to roll up their sleeves, this will be a long process.

And we need everyone's help! When it's your turn, show up for a vaccination event, roll up your sleeve and get your COVID vaccine. Until then and after, please continue to do the small things needed to protect each other from the virus and to allow businesses, schools, and healthcare facilities to be able to function safely and provide needed services. Be patient. There is hope, but we need you to help us to keep the number of new cases down until there is enough vaccine for all.

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and are then ready to fight the spiky COVID-19 virus, should it arrive.

Though the vaccines are widely labeled “safe and effective”, the CDC recommends that anyone who has ever had a severe reaction to any ingredient in the vaccine should not receive that vaccine.

“If you have had a severe allergic reaction to other vaccines or injectable therapies, you should ask your doctor if you should get a COVID-19 vaccine,” the CDC advises. “Your doctor will help you decide if it is safe for you to get vaccinated.”

*Remembering the other things - continued*

*From February 12, 2020*

— The French Trucking Bantams are headed back to the state championship tournament. Following a masterful weekend in Munising, the team claimed the District 8 Championship on February 9 and secured their place in the March tournament. The 14-and-under squad won that tournament last year and are prepared to defend the title.

The team consists of players from Newberry, Manistique, and Munising.

— Dr. Brian Stoyhoff is preparing to open a new chiropractic office on Newberry Avenue. Stoyhoff has 18 years of chiropractic experience and originally considered moving to Newberry when the last chiropractor, Dr. Kristin Hieshetter, advertised for an assistant.

But the timing wasn't right: Hieshetter's husband accepted a job in South Carolina, and they left before she and Stoyhoff could join forces.

*From February 19, 2020*

— Lou Bennett owns 20 acres of land east of Newberry and says he's fed deer herds there for 30 years.

It was perfect, he said. The woods offered plenty to eat, and many places for deer to hide. There was no pressure. Each winter, he'd feed between 250 and 300 deer. That began to change a few winters ago, and Bennett saw the herd drop hundreds of animals at a time.

“Last year I was down to about 100, 125,” he said. “This year, not one deer came back. Not one.”

Bennett hosted a meeting with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources on Thursday, Feb. 13 regarding the abundance of gray wolves in Michigan.

*From February 26, 2020*

— Newberry has been a logging town. A hospital town. A prison town. A struggling town. Now it's the only town in the state with two Pure Michigan trails, and one of a handful of “trail towns” in the state. The Canada Lakes Pathway, an 11.7-mile path located just southeast of Newberry, was designated as an Pure Michigan trail two weeks ago. The year-round pathway joins Newberry's Trail 45, a 44-mile that joins Newberry to Paradise, as the area's second Pure Michigan trail.

*South Manistique Lake in Curtis*



Carol Stiffler

*When cold weather came without snow, the lakes froze over with a perfect shine. This picture was taken on December 10. The ice has since been buried in the recent snow fall.*

**Newberry man arrested for violence, arson, drugs**

In the afternoon of December 20, 2020 a Michigan State Police (MSP) trooper from the Sault Ste. Marie Post responded to a domestic violence call at a residence on Center Avenue in Newberry.

The trooper spoke to the injured victim. Suspect Christopher Morrison, 49, of Newberry, had fled the scene. Morrison was found a short

time later and was in possession of what was believed to be methamphetamine.

Morrison was also a suspect in a prior arson case, where the assault victim's property was burned.

Following investigation, Morrison was arrested and lodged in the Luce County Jail for domestic violence and possession of methamphetamine.

Morrison was additionally charged with the previous arson of personal property. MSP was assisted by the Luce County Sheriff Department.

Morrison was arraigned in the 92nd District Court on December 21. He was released with a tether and a personal recognizance bond. Morrison is considered innocent unless proven guilty.

*From March 11, 2020*

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*From April 15, 2020*

— There are three new bear cubs at Oswald's Bear Ranch, and the Oswalds want your help in naming the cinnamon-colored one.

The babies came to the ranch from Wisconsin on March 24, both lucky and unlucky. They're separated from their mothers, probably due to death, but they've made it to Oswald's. They'll be fed and cared for now for the rest of their lives, as safe as any bear could hope to be. And they're adorable.

*From April 22, 2020*

— Over the weekend our friends Laura Wong and Larry McGahey biked into the refuge and confirmed the return of the two oldest documented Common Loons on the planet.

The male, called the ABJ, was banded as a young refuge chick in 1987, and thus his age is known precisely: This June he will turn 33.

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Looking for that perfect companion? Give us a call at (906) 293-6622 for an adoption application and to find us on Facebook for information on how to donate or volunteer at the shelter. Luce County Pet Pals, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

set up an appointment to meet these cuties!

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**College news**

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A special thanks to our Veterans Services Officer, Rick Minard.

I'm very honored to have received the Veteran of the Year Award.

- Harold Dishaw



The Newberry Fire Department traveled around town spreading holiday cheer over the last few weeks. On December 16<sup>th</sup> they and Community Action Head Start took Santa to visit local kids and delivered hats and mittens to nearly 30 children. Later that night they delivered Christmas presents to a local family and delivered a fruit basket to Wayne Takala, a Vietnam veteran in McMillan (pictured top left).

On December 21<sup>st</sup> they escorted Santa to the mBank parking lot to hand out candy canes and let area kids visit with Santa from a safe distance (see pictures in last week's issue).

On December 23<sup>rd</sup> they rounded out their season of giving with a few more stops – delivering a Christmas basket to another local veteran, Liz Daniel (top right), presenting a gift certificate to Parkview Manor resident Jane Cadieux (bottom left), and visiting one more local family to deliver Christmas presents and a gift certificate. Every year the NFD adopts a local family to provide gifts and holiday essentials, and this year's recipient was Cheri McNamara and her children (bottom right). Photos from the Newberry Fire Department.

# Curtis Notes

## Thursday, December 31

—Marcy's Pantry will be open from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

—The Curtis Library will be closed on the December 31st and January 1st.

## Saturday, January 2

—Recycling will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

### Upcoming:

—On January 11th the Curtis Library will host a Zoom book discussion at 1 p.m. on *Devil in the White City* by Erik Larson. To join the discussion, please email [curtislib@uprox.lib.mi.us](mailto:curtislib@uprox.lib.mi.us)

—Marcy's Pantry has a record number of households using the pantry. Donations are always appreciated. Those who wish to donate may drop off items at the State Savings Bank in Curtis.

## Read all about it... Are you obsessed with The Mandalorian?

By Dion Mindykowski

As you may know, the Tahquamenon Area Library collection could help supplement the Marvel Cinematic Universe for those fans that are anxious for the new movie and Disney+ shows to arrive. Now let's talk about Star Wars.

On Friday, December 18, the final episode of *The Mandalorian* season 2 started streaming. The action-packed conclusion left viewers wanting more. Unfortunately, it probably won't be until December of 2021 that more Star Wars content appears on the small

screen and December of 2023 on the big screen. Good thing the library has a lot of Star Wars content to keep you busy until then. Counting the movies and reading material for all age ranges, the Tahquamenon Library has 138 items set in the Star Wars universe. That number surprised even me when I did a search in order to write this column. I knew we had a lot of Star Wars material, but didn't think it was quite that much.

If you've been watching *The Mandalorian*, you probably heard the brief mention of a character named Grand Admiral Thrawn. Though it

was the only time, so far, he was mentioned in the show and he wasn't in any of the Star Wars trilogies, the character has a presence in the Star Wars universe and will likely play a big role in *The Mandalorian*. The Tahquamenon Library even has 4 books featuring this character. Viewers will also know that the series takes place in the time between *The Last Jedi* and *The Force Awakens*, in which the Empire lost and the New Republic has taken power. Another book series focuses on this time, as well. This trilogy of books is called *Aftermath* and is by Chuck Wendig. All three

books in this series are available to checkout at the Tahquamenon Area Library.

Future plans for Star Wars movies and shows will focus on what is known as the era of the High Republic. This is a time period 200 years before the Skywalker Saga and will include an almost entirely new cast of characters. It could be years before this time period comes to either the big or small screen. However, the first books are being released next week and will be available at the Tahquamenon Area Library. For adults and older teens, *Light of the Jedi* will be released on January 5, with a

follow up, *The Rising Storm* available after June 29, 2021. A few books for younger readers are being released, as well; *A Test of Courage* and *Star Wars: The High Republic* for elementary age; and *Into the Dark* for middle and high school readers.

Though these books aren't available just yet, you can get your name on the wait list by calling 906-293-5214.

Please remember that due to holidays and carpet cleaning, the library will be closed until January 4. You can leave a voicemail though, and staff will add your name to the list once we reopen.

## A message of hope Neither fire, nor flood

By Kyle Kuehl

God called His people by name. He chose them. He created them to be His royal holy people. "Fear not," God tells His people. Flood or fire, whatever they endure, God will

walk through it all with them. He endures troubled times with them, not because of anything they have done, not because they deserve His presence, but because God has claimed them as His own.

Perhaps this past year you too have passed through flood or fire, suffering through those disasters or through this pandemic. You were not consumed entirely, but may have suffered terrible loss. Still, just as God promised His people, He

is with you, enduring with you as you endure. Even these disasters cannot overwhelm or burn or consume you, for God is "the Holy One of Israel, your Savior" (Isaiah 43:3). He has redeemed you and claimed you as His own.

You were adopted as a son or daughter of God. To you the Savior says, "Fear not!" You need not be afraid, because Jesus Himself passed through fire and flood for you. He endured the overwhelm-

ing, burning flood of pain, suffering and death, and He passed through it alone, "My God, my God, why have You forsaken Me?" (Matthew 27:46).

Jesus took onto Himself the penalty of death that you had earned for yourself. He passed through flood and fire and was consumed by it, so that you would not be consumed eternally by the fires of hell. Yet having passed through the fiery flood, He emerged in victory, overcoming it all, ris-

ing up from the grave. Just as His death is yours, His victory is also yours. God said, "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you" (Isaiah 43:2). This new year ahead, whatever you pass through, whatever you endure, it cannot ultimately consume you, because Jesus, who has already overcome it all, is with you.

Kyle Kuehl pastors the Trinity Lutheran Church of Newberry.

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4	Pulmonology/Sleep - C. Norman, NP.....	906-293-9118
	Pulmonology/Sleep - Dr. Washington.....	906-293-9118
5	Allergy/Asthma - Dr. Ranta.....	906-253-0400
	Audiology.....	906-259-7000
6	Cardiology - Dr. Giroux.....	906-632-6013
	General Surgery - Dr. Bryant.....	906-293-9239
	Oncology/Hematology - Dr. Jensen.....	906-293-9118
7	Ear, Nose, & Throat - Dr. Rayner.....	906-341-2153
	General Surgery - Dr. Bryant.....	906-293-9239
	Prenatal/Family Medicine.....	906-449-1010
8	General Surgery - Dr. Bryant.....	906-293-9239
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11	Pulmonology/Sleep - C. Norman, NP.....	906-293-9118
	Pulmonology/Sleep - Dr. Washington.....	906-293-9118
12	OBGYN - Dr. Amo.....	906-635-3002
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## OBITUARY

### Clem C. Bergstrom

Clem C. Bergstrom, 79, of Fond du Lac, went to be with the Lord on Monday, December 21, 2020 at his home with his wife (best friend of 57 years) and three daughters by his side. Clem was born on September 29, 1941 to the late Charles and Ruth (Cronk) Bergstrom.

Clem married Sharon Wittcock on April 29, 1963 at St. Mary and St. Joseph Church in Iron Mountain, MI. They were very active members until moving from the area.

Clem graduated in 1960 from Newberry, MI. He was honorably discharged from the National Guard in 1966. Clem was certified in HVAC and partnered with D & L Heating and Plumbing in Iron Mountain. Eventually he became sole owner and served the community until he retired in 2001.

Online condolences may be shared at [www.zacherl-funeralhome.com](http://www.zacherl-funeralhome.com).



## OBITUARY

### Richard John Williams

Richard John Williams, 77, of Newberry, died Tuesday morning, December 15, 2020 at his residence.

Born October 23, 1943 in Newberry, son of the late Donald and Beatrice (Styes) Williams, Richard was employed at Motor Wheel in Romulus for over 30 years until his retirement. Following his retirement, he moved back to Newberry to be closer to his family and enjoyed puzzles and playing solitaire on his laptop. Richard served in the 1437th Army National Guard until his honorable discharge on May 11, 1962.

In addition to his parents, Richard is preceded in death by his siblings Dorothy Adkins and Robert Williams.

Survivors include his siblings Barbara Keinonen of Newberry and Donna Menominee of Tecumseh; several nieces and nephews.

Per his request, cremation services were accorded. A public graveside service will be held Sunday, June 20, 2021 at the Forest Home Cemetery in Newberry as Richard will be laid to rest at the Williams family lot.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.beaulieufuneralhome.com](http://www.beaulieufuneralhome.com).

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.

## OBITUARY

### Rachel Gibson

Gibson, Rachel. Born on July 8, 1935 in Glasgow, Scotland. Passed on December 23, 2020. Age 85 of Dearborn Heights.

Beloved mother of Carol Liss, Karen (Jim) Thomas, Michael (Laura) Gibson, Craig (Cathy) Gibson, and Kim (Dave) Markey. Dear sister of Nan (David) Goodwin, Bill (Betty) Turnbull, and Patsy Stephenson. Dearest grandmother of 22. Loving great-grandmother of 23. Sweet great-great-grandmother of 1.

Rachel was preceded in death by her husband Roy Gibson, her daughter Rachel "Shelly" Bessy, and her parents. She will be deeply missed by many loving family and friends.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Dearborn Chapel of Voran Funeral Home, 23701 Ford Road. (313) 278-5100. Rachel was buried alongside her husband at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan. Please share memories and leave condolences on her online guestbook at [www.voranfuneralhome.com](http://www.voranfuneralhome.com)

## OBITUARY

### Patricia Edith Plue

Patricia Edith Plue, 82, of Naubinway, died Thursday evening December 24, 2020 at Helen Newberry Joy Hospital.

Born May 7, 1938 in Conneaut, Ohio, daughter of the late George and Jackie (Bricker) Payne, Patricia married Clyde Plue on November 16, 1957 in Berlin Heights, Ohio.

Patricia was employed at Fanny Farmer in Norwalk, Ohio for several years until her retirement. A resident of Naubinway since 2007, Patricia was a member of the Christian Fellowship Church in Naubinway and enjoyed Christian literature, jigsaw puzzles, bird watching, and games with family and friends. Pat wanted everyone to know that she loved them.

Pat and Clyde spent many years camping with their family at Pymatuning State Park. After retirement they spent their summers camping there and spending their winters in Naubinway.

In addition to her parents, Patricia is preceded in death by her husband Clyde in 2013; siblings Warren Payne, George Payne and Meril Lago.

Survivors include her children Daniel Plue of Naubinway, Lauren (Timothy) Wyse of Naubinway, Wilson Plue of Brimfield, Massachusetts, Warren (Lachelle) Plue of Olivet, Michigan, Kenneth (Kelly) Plue of Greenwich, Ohio and Richard Plue of Perrysburg, Ohio; 20 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren; sister Myrna Violet of Wingo, Kentucky, sister-in-law Shirley Zellner of Berlin Heights, Ohio, brother-in-law Terry Plue of Sandusky, Ohio and many nieces and nephews.

Per her request, cremation services were accorded. A memorial service celebrating the life of Patricia will be held in the spring of 2021 at the Christian Fellowship Church of Naubinway and at a location in Ohio. Notifications will be sent at a later date.

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Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry is assisting the family.



## OBITUARY

### Sylvia A. Maki

Sylvia A. Maki, age 81, of Scottville went to be with her Lord and Savior Saturday, December 26, 2020. She was born August 3, 1939 in Newberry, MI to Henry and Trinnie (McAlpine) Maki. Sylvia attended Pratt Elementary School in Newberry, a one room schoolhouse, and later graduated from Sault Area High School. She married Richard L. Maki on August 25, 1956 in Newberry. They recently celebrated their 64th anniversary. Together they raised three children. Due to Richard's occupation, the family moved around a lot. They spent many years living in the Upper Peninsula, in Roscommon, and in 2004, Richard and Sylvia moved to Scottville to be closer to their daughter, Sharon.

Sylvia had many jobs. She worked for three different radio stations, WSOO, WSMM, and WSGW, where she was a clerk and ran the FM station. She was also the voice of many commercials. Sylvia worked at Montgomery Wards in Saginaw in the credit department and she was also an Activities Director at a nursing home. She also taught Sunday School for many years, and sang at the Pentland Township Hall as a little girl. Most of all, Sylvia was a proud mother and home-maker. She loved to cook "real food" and she taught her children how to properly hang their clothes on the clothesline, and how to iron. She was a talented seamstress and could make anything. Sylvia also enjoyed knitting and crocheting. When she wasn't busy with all that, she was a stamp collector, a Toile Painter, and she loved to read. But her favorite thing to do was to go fishing. She and Dick spent many hours at Lake Superior fishing for Menominee and agates. Over the years she collected dozens of Lake Superior agates. Sylvia had compassion for all living things, but she especially loved her cats. Most of them lived into their twenties, and were real family members.

Sylvia was a very spiritual person. She and her family were members of WELS (Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod). She was an active member of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Scottville. She believed that her Lord had carried her many trying times with illnesses throughout her life, and that he had showered her with His amazing grace. She was blessed, and wished nothing more than that for her family to feel the same way. Sylvia will be greatly missed by her husband, Richard of Scottville, her children, Richard (Stephanie) Maki Jr. and Sharon (Elmer) Spencer, her three grandchildren, her three great grandchildren, her sisters, Sandra and Gail, and many nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents, Sylvia was preceded in death by her daughter, Shirley Ilene, her siblings, Evelyn, Robert, Anna, and Linda.

A memorial service will be held at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 409 Main Street on Tuesday, December 29 at 11:00.

Memorial contributions in Sylvia's name may be directed to Redeemer Lutheran Church.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Oak Grove Funeral Home of Ludington, [www.oakgroveludington.com](http://www.oakgroveludington.com).



## OBITUARY

### Bubba Anderson Popa

Bubba Anderson Popa, vibrant wife and mother passed away at the age of 50 on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. Bubba was born to Don and Tudy Anderson on September 23, 1970 in Escanaba, Michigan.

Bubba was raised in Gaylord and was a four-sport athlete (volleyball, cross-country, track and basketball) at Gaylord High School, where she graduated with honors in 1988. She was named Miss Otsego County 1988 and won the talent portion with her sharp-witted ventriloquist dummy, Nicholas. She later attended Michigan State University and Alma College, studying Interior Design. Afterward, she started Bayview Interiors and found herself drawn to kitchen design.

Bubba married her best friend, Roger Popa, on August 16, 2003, in Newberry at her family's centennial farm. It was a three-day affair that suited Bubba to a T - filled with laughter, family, friends, food and fireworks. The couple settled in Traverse City, where their family grew by two. Their daughter Ava was born in 2007, and Rutger in 2010. Bubba was a stay-at-home mom who also managed Petoskey Pete's, their clothing store in Glen Arbor. Over the years, she and Roger tackled countless remodeling and refurbishing projects at their home and business.

Family was very important to Bubba. As often as possible, the foursome enjoyed the short walk from their Glen Arbor home to the shore of Lake Michigan, where Bubba cherished every moment with her husband and kids. She loved competition and sporting events, traveling far and wide to cheer for her nephew and nieces, and hosted gatherings at their house near the lake when family came to town. Bubba loved all water sports; in particular, she was an avid sailor and accomplished water-skier. Ever the lover of a challenge, Bubba grew up riding a unicycle more often than her regular bike and teamed up with her sister to run her first triathlon at the age of 44. She also played ice hockey with the men's rec league in Traverse City for many years. She will be remembered for her sense of humor, her infectious and unmistakable laugh, and her can-do attitude. In her final days, Bubba was known for her strength and her smile.

Bubba is survived by her husband, Roger Popa; daughter, Ava (13); son, Rutger (10); parents, Don and Tudy Anderson; and sister, Deana (John) Dutcher; mother-in-law, Ruthie Popa; sisters-in-law, Mindy (Steve) Scherr, Brenda (Tim) Nicol, Marcia Popa; brother-in-law, Alan Popa; nieces, Elizabeth and Paige Dutcher, Macy and Siri Nicol, Adriana Popa Puchal; nephews, Tom Dutcher, Cooper and Riley Scherr, and Izan Popa Puchal. She was preceded in death by her father-in-law, Tommy Popa.

While no memorial service is currently scheduled, a celebration of life ceremony will be announced in the spring.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Roger Popa Family, PO Box 159, Suttons Bay, MI 49682.

Please share condolences with Bubba's family at [www.martinson.info](http://www.martinson.info)

Arrangements are with the Martinson Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Leelanau.



## Losses in 2020

Dates indicate the issue of The Newberry News in which the obituaries were published

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Curtis Chirpings

# Resolved: To have a better 2021

By Lyle Painter

FINALLY! In a few hours the ball will drop. We will paint “2020” on a can and give it a well-deserved kick down the road of no return. For most people there will be no fond farewells.

We can now turn our mind to positive thoughts as we make the infamous New Year Resolutions.

New Year Resolutions have been part of our human existence since the ancient Babylon Empire, 4000 years ago. The 12-day celebration, known as Akitu, began after all of the crops were planted. This time frame would equate to March by today’s calendar. During the celebration the people would try to please their gods by pledging to do good things for their neighbors and pay off all debts. They would also pledge their loyalty to the new king or their continued loyalty to the

reigning king. Ummm, USA, 2020-2021?

Years later, in 46 B.C., Julius Caesar established a new calendar. The first month was named after Janus, a two-faced god who symbolically could look back at the old year and forward to the New Year. On January 1st, the people would make promises to be good citizens for the entire year. Hence, we still continue to offer “New Year Resolutions” on the same date albeit they have become supplementary personal oriented goals as opposed to lofty civic resolutions.

After gorging ourselves during Christmas week with food and lots of high carbohydrate sweets, it is not surprising the most common resolution or goal in the modern world is to lose weight, exercise more and give up bad health choices such as smoking. Recently, I read exercise equipment is a big January sale item. Via my observation, by June most of this

same equipment becomes a clothes holder and a popular summer garage sale item. Stick-to-it-ness with exercising has limited success. On a somber, pessimistic note, only 8% of all people who make resolutions actually follow through on that goal for the whole year. Most people give up by the 1<sup>st</sup> of February. Welcome to the microwave, instant gratification era!

My one New Year Resolution, since birth, has always been to lose weight. At times I have completed the remarkable task toward my weight loss goal, but like a good retriever, I always manage to find what I had previously lost. In order to not disappoint myself I will publically, again, adopt weight loss as my #1 resolution.

My #2 Resolution will be to make Margie happy by cleaning the garage, although I can punt on this resolution until we return from Florida when the weather is warmer in Curtis. Why do it today if I

can put it off until tomorrow?

My #3 resolution I wish I could hand off to the people who presently occupy the Executive and Legislative branches of the United States government. They should all adopt a bi-partisan resolution to quit acting like spoiled children who scream because they cannot get their own way. Remember your kindergarten teacher who taught you the need to learn to play nicely and share the toys in the sand box.

As a helpful suggestion; for 2021 adopt one —no more than two— attainable resolutions. Too many resolutions will lead to guaranteed failure.

Have a Happy New Year and continue to stay safe. Do remember to wear your Morally Acceptable Social Kindness (MASK) face covering. Consider this fact; COVID-19 is not taking a holiday break and will be around for much of 2021.

Don’t get me wrong!

# Yuletide wrap-up: Is that so?

By Reed Goodwell

Don’t get me wrong! I love a good contradiction, and Christmas is no exception. I do not like fat, phony Santa making un-keepable promises to kids on his lap. Plus, I can’t see how he could circle the whole world in one night, especially with all those gifts.

There are a few things I like about Christmas: one is the anticipation. Not the 21st century anticipation of an entire month of Black Friday and Cyber Monday sales, but the anticipation of the real Christmas of 2,020 years ago.

It seems the tribe/nation of Israel had been pushed around a good bit and had pleaded with their God for a savior who

would smite their enemies and demand for Israel the respect she deserved. The God responded with a sign, but was in no hurry to lift the burden from his aggrieved children. He decided to take his sweet, celestial time.

Well, so-and-so begat sew-and-sew, and the tiny nation trudged along patiently bearing oppression and derision while waiting for the mighty warrior to deliver them from their perceived injustices.

The mighty smiter turned out to be a seemingly ordinary baby who grew up to become the leader of a ragtag band of peasants. He did a lot of work unlearning his supporters of their aggressive and nationalistic attitudes. He gently cajoled them to subdue their outsized egos and conquer their restless passions. He also did mira-

cles.

The baby who was to become a mighty king never lived in a castle or led his troops in battle. He reminded his followers of what they already knew: The kingdom of God is in your hearts. Naturally, lots of folks were disappointed, and the message was amended across the generations. Anyway, Happy Birthday!

The thing I like about the contemporary celebration of that birthday is the way we take it apart and put it in boxes after the inevitable letdown following gifts and hugs and feasts. As Christmas wanes from exhaustion, we begin the somber task of planning for the next one. Every string of lights and special decoration is folded and fondled and maybe kissed good-bye until we

do it again—if we are all here, if we are all healthy.

Yes, we wrap it up and store it in the same old box, as if that old box were our life and Christmas itself were the most precious gift of all. (There’s that anticipation again.)

Of course, Christmas wouldn’t be the same without its holiday sidekick, New Years Day, to wipe the slobbered-on slate clean. At least we might resolve to repair some of the glaring character flaws our intimates can no longer ignore.

Finally, a special shout-out to the blessed lesson of Covid Christmas with its virtual parties and ZOOM calls: Sometimes you need to mute yourself to carry on a decent conversation.

# Traveling through time

By Sterling McGinn

From October 11, 1918

## Spanish Flu Closes School

Spanish influenza, the epidemic that is sweeping through the United States, has hit Newberry and already three deaths have occurred from this disease. Prompt action has been taken by the Board of Health to prevent the spread of the disease, and all the churches, schools, and theaters have been ordered closed until the epidemic has been checked.

From October 18, 1918

There is no abatement in the epidemic of Spanish influenza that is sweeping through locally and notwithstanding the stringent regulations that have been put into effect, the disease continues to spread, new cases being reported daily. Five more deaths have occurred from the disease.

The Grade School on John St. has been commandeered and is filled up as a hospital.

Deaths are occurring daily; two more having occurred last night and three being reported from the Newberry State Hospital where the disease is raging among both the patients and the attendants.

From October 25, 1918

The epidemic of Spanish influenza continues to rage apparently unchecked and since the last issue of the *News* has claimed 17 victims within the village. Friday noon the New-

berry Hotel, a three-story brick structure was taken over for a temporary hospital. All Friday afternoon the autos were busy bringing in the most serious cases and by evening some 60 patients were being cared for in the hastily improvised hospital.

From November 1, 1918

There has been an increase in the number of deaths occurring, and the survey of the city made Wednesday showed nearly 250 cases.

November 8, 1918

The influenza epidemic has shown a big improvement during the past week with a great reduction in the number of patients occurring, and doctors are in full control of the situation.

Although the city hospital is still crowded with cases, a goodly number of these have been brought in from outside points, and all are reported to be making favorable progress toward recovery.

November 15, 1918

## The Ban is Lifted Influenza Epidemic Stamped Out – Schools, Churches, Theaters Allowed to Reopen

The influenza epidemic, which has cost the lives of nearly one hundred persons within Luce County, is so well under control, that the ban against public meetings and gatherings has been lifted.

For the first time in six weeks services will be held in the churches Sunday and

Monday morning the children will again be permitted to assemble in their classes in the public schools. The motion picture theater will also be permitted to open Monday.

From August 16, 1940

## Small Danger Polio Epidemic

The outbreak of polio (infantile paralysis) in Newberry has created something of a panic among parents, many of who have “gone visiting” or taken their children to summer homes on nearby lakes.

From August 23, 1940

## Schools to Delay Opening

Because of the presence of infantile paralysis in the community, and purely as a precautionary measure, the date of the reopening of the city schools has been postponed for two weeks.

From August 30, 1940

## TIME FOR ACTION

Isn’t it about time the health authorities in Newberry wake up to the fact that the epidemic of infantile paralysis prevalent in the community is spreading, and there is a need for serious preventative measures being taken, and taken at once? A quarantine should be established, and at once. Not only should all homes in which there is an outbreak of a suspicious disease be strictly quarantined until the nature of the disease is fully established, but there should be a strict ban placed on all public gatherings...

From September 6, 1940

## School opening is uncertain

Newberry schools, their opening date postponed for two weeks because of the Polio epidemic, are expected to reopen Monday, September 16, although further postponement is possible dependent on the prevalence of the disease in the community.

The first high school football game scheduled with Negaunee, has been cancelled because of the postponement of the school opening...

From September 13, 1940

## Schools Will Open Sept. 30

Newberry schools will remain closed until September 30, and the entire high school football schedule for 1940 has been cancelled.

Because of the polio epidemic, the opening date of the schools had been previously postponed until September 16, and the action to further postpone the opening date was taken at a meeting of the Board of Education held Monday.

Caution should be continued, however, as to letting children run wild or crowds congregating as the polio bug is still present and will be until cold weather arrives. The football season was cancelled entirely, being regarded by the board members as an unnecessary risk easily dispensed with.

The question of making up lost time has not been fully decided. The schools must operate nine months to meet state requirements. It is possible the board will decide to eliminate the

spring vacation or run later in June, or both.

From October 4, 1940

## Outbreak of Polio is Second Largest

The state health department has stated that provisional case figures for September showed Michigan’s recent outbreak of infantile paralysis was the second largest of record and surpassed last year’s severe attack.

The department said that 497 cases of poliomyelitis were reported last month, compared with 577 in September of 1931, the high year in this state. The 1940

total so far is more than 100 greater than at the same time last year. The peak of the recent outbreak came in the second week of September when 154 cases were reported.

From October 18, 1940

## School Closed Next Week

Newberry schools were closed Thursday noon and will remain closed until Monday, October 28. The action closing the schools was taken by the Board of education at a special meeting held Thursday morning, following the discovery of a case of infantile paralysis among the student body.

*This edition of Traveling Through Time reviews front-page stories from the 1918 Spanish Influenza epidemic and the 1940 Newberry Polio epidemic.*

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# Engadine mini-update

## Returning to In-Person Learning

9-12 students who were originally in-person learners will be returning to the building on January 4. Because of this, we are also allowing any K-12 Distance Learner to return to in-person learning at this time as well.

Normally, these students would have to wait until the end of the quarter to change back to in-person learning. K-12 Distance Learners who wish to return to in-person learning on Monday, January 4 must complete the re-enrollment form, which is available on our website and Facebook page.

This form was due by Monday, December 28 so that our staff would have enough time to make necessary adjustments to accommodate additional students on buses and in the building. Space on buses is limited and will be filled in the order forms are received (on a first-come, first-serve basis).

## Virtual Wednesdays in January

Because our December Virtual Wednesdays were a huge success, the K-12 will continue to have virtual learning days each Wednesday in January. This will allow us to thoroughly sanitize the building mid-week to help us



Josh Reed

keep the building open for the remainder of the year. It will also give our teachers more time to focus on delivering the best possible virtual education to our many Distance Learners. High School students should keep their devices at home so they are ready for these Virtual Wednesdays, while K-8 students will continue to take devices home each Tuesday afternoon. Meal service will be provided.

## Thank You

We appreciate the efforts of all our families, staff, and students as we approach the (academic) midpoint of this very strange year. Have a wonderful Christmas break, and we'll see you in 2021.

Joshua Reed  
Engadine Schools Superintendent and 7-12 Principal

# Tahquamenon Area Schools news

Greetings Tahquamenon Area Schools community and Happy New Year,

The year 2020 is one that will be remembered for years to come. Yes, for the pandemic, mask wearing, presidential election, virtual learning and much more. There is so much more that I hope will be remembered from 2020, like schools preparing meals and meal deliveries; teachers moving from in-person to virtual learning overnight; learning technology quickly; learning that communication can take many forms; learning that keeping in touch with family and friends is the MOST important; communities helping each other out by buying local and ordering take out; school staff being flexible and doing what is best for students, and there is so much more.

Focusing on the positive

is what keeps us moving forward. I have said from the beginning that being patient and flexible was key to getting through all this. I believe now a better word is grace.

The year 2020 brought the passage of the district's operational mileage for 5 years. This was a huge win as it will save the district approximately \$40,000 over those five years. Thank you, community, again for that.

School will resume on Monday, January 4, 2021 at 8 a.m. All safety precautions that were in place prior to going remote will be in place. Masks always need to be worn K-12 in the building. Masks can be removed for eating. Masks must cover the nose and mouth. Everyone needs to buzz in at the front of the school. Car drop off and pick up is in the back of the school. Drop off can start at 7:45 a.m. Pick up will be at 2:45 p.m.

TAS Virtual students will

also resume on Monday, January 4, 2021.

Students resuming in-person need to bring back their school issued computer and power cord and hotspot if one was issued. Students will be using them in class, so please remember to bring them back.

The year 2021 will bring great things. Do we know what those are yet? Nope. I just know that with some hope and grace, TAS will make it through, as will our community.

I look forward to many things as we return. Seniors announcing their decisions for their future. I look forward to students being back in the building, filling it with laughter and talk. I look forward to the TAS school community getting back to what they know best: educating students. From the bus drivers getting students to school; paraprofessionals greeting students in the morning and assisting with learning; cafeteria workers preparing



Stacy Price

breakfast and lunch; teachers teaching and supporting; custodians cleaning and disinfecting; secretaries answering phones and assisting students/parents; and counselors caring and supporting students. This is what I look forward to.

I wish everyone a safe and healthy new year.

Any questions please call 293-3201 or email sprice@taschools.org.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!  
Stacy Price

## Cover to Cover

### Watch *Free Solo* before you read *Alone on the Wall*

By Dion Mindykowski

For the book featured in this week's column, I'm going to do something I don't normally do. I'm going to suggest you watch a movie first. That movie is called *Free Solo*.

In this film you'll see a lot of footage of El Capitan, a vertical rock formation in

Yosemite National Park, rising up 3,000 feet from the base to the summit. By comparison, the highest point in Michigan, Mount Arvon in Baraga County is 1,979 feet above sea level, but you only go up 421 feet when summiting ([www.peakbagger.com](http://www.peakbagger.com)).

Now imagine climbing that sheer rock face of El Capitan with just your balance, skill, and the strength in your hands, no ropes or other safety implements. Those of you with a fear of heights might be getting squeamish at this point. This scenario isn't a work of fiction, but is exactly what can be seen in *Free Solo*. This documentary covers climber Alex Honnold's attempt to be the first to climb this famous rock without the aid of ropes.

The movie *Free Solo* gives you some stunning views, not only of what El Capitan looks like from the ground, but also how things look while clinging to rock ledges with your fingertips. This is something that text on a page can't convey on its own. In addition, the movie gives insight into how and why Honnold pursued this feat.



Once you have the visuals from *Free Solo* in mind, I recommend that you read *Alone on the Wall* by Alex Honnold. Since books can go into much greater detail than movies, you will be able to better understand the how and the why, as well as have access to more of Honnold's life leading up to the climb. You often hear the book is better than the movie, but in this case, the book and

movie work together.

Honnold refers to multiple movies in *Alone on the Wall*. One in particular is another recommendation if you want to learn more about the history of climbing in Yosemite. *Valley Uprising* takes viewers back to the 1960s and through present day climbing culture and adventures.

The Tahquamenon Library digital services do not offer *Free Solo* or *Valley Uprising*, so you'll have to wait until the library reopens on January 4, but both movies are available for checkout with a valid library card.

An audiobook version of *Alone on the Wall* is available via Hoopla and a physical copy of the book can be requested via interlibrary loan. To place holds and schedule a curbside pickup, just call 906-293-5214.



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# Where are they now? Corie Fossitt Harvey

The Newberry News continues our series, catching up on former residents of the area. This week, we talked to Corie Fossitt Harvey, a 1994 graduate of Newberry High School.

**What was your high school claim to fame?**

High school was a very busy time for me. I played basketball (3 years), volleyball (4 years) and ran track (1 year). I wasn't a great athlete, but I loved being part of a team.

I was also a member of the student council, National Honor Society, yearbook committee, and band. It was an expectation that I do well in school in order to participate in extracurricular activities and I took that very seriously.

**Where else might we have seen you around town?**

Summers were spent at Round Lake at our family cottage or working. I worked for four summers at Tahquamenon Falls. Two at the Lower Falls concession and two for the DNR.

**What did you do next?**

After graduation, I attended Central Michigan University to major in Sports Medicine with the plan to become a physical therapist. I definitely felt like the proverbial little fish in the big pond!

I quickly learned that I did not want to be a physical therapist. However, I took two classes that led me down the path to nursing. One was an anatomy class. I loved learning how the human body was put together. After the first semester, I knew I had to pursue nursing.

I transferred to LSSU the next year and graduated with my BSN in May of 1999. I went to work five days after graduation at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. It was a great hospital to get my feet wet. I will never forget working the night shift on New Year's Eve 1999! We were holding our breath as the clock ticked past midnight! We were so nervous that we had barely started our careers and the world was going to fall apart!

I left Munson after 15 months and moved to Grand Rapids to work at Spectrum Health Butterworth in the Surgical Critical Care Unit. I worked with some extremely intelligent and talented people.

After two years, I became a travel nurse. My first assignment was really fun. I was the RN Supervisor on the weekends at what was the Newberry Annex. The nurses there were the hardest working people I had ever worked with.



Corie Fossitt Harvey and her husband, Dan, are seen above in Moab, Utah. At right, she receives her first dose of the COVID vaccine.



After 13 weeks, I packed my Ford Taurus and headed out. First stop, West Palm Beach, then California, Oregon, and New York City. Fate intervened and I met my husband six weeks after being in Florida. I settled at Delray Medical Center where I worked for 10 years.

**Where are you now? Who is with you?**

Ten years and three kids later, Dan and I moved to Ohio to be closer to his family (and a bit closer to mine) in 2012. We live in a little town, smaller than Newberry, called Dresden, Ohio. My husband is a police officer working at the Columbus Regional Airport.

We have three children. Jake, 14, is in 8th grade. He plays bass drum in the marching band. My girls, Camy and Rily, are 11 and in 6th grade. We have two dogs, two cats, and two guinea pigs.

**I hear you've been working with COVID patients. What has it been like?**

I have been working in the Medical Intensive Care Unit at Mt. Carmel East Hospital since August of 2012. My position is a permanent charge nurse role. My role isn't designed to take a patient assignment, but to manage shift operations and staff on a daily basis, sometimes I do.

Last March, because MICU isn't a specialty area, we became the designated Covid unit for our hospital. It was all hands on deck; very overwhelming. Literally, no one knew what we were dealing with. The patients were so sick and nothing seemed to be working. I had never seen so many

people that sick at the same time and the illness seemed to go on for so much longer than a typical respiratory disease would last. We did get a bit of a reprieve in the summer months lasting into September.

Unfortunately, since mid-October, it's been a steady uphill climb. It is devastating to fight so hard for your patients and to lose them, day after day. The emotional toll it takes is unbelievable. Patient stays are so long that you form relationships with them and with their families. For some, you are the only link between the patient, who is sedated on a ventilator, and the family. You hold the phone up to the unconscious ear, prop up the iPad so they can say their good-byes over Zoom, dress them in gowns and gloves so they can hold their loved ones' hand as they pass on. You take a deep breath and move on to the next crisis, every day. Obviously, not all days are bad and we celebrate the wins so much more than we ever would have before. It truly makes you grateful for what and who you have.

**How do you view the COVID pandemic?**

I'm tired of covid, just like everyone else. I want normal back. However, it is not a political issue, it is a public health issue. So the most effective way to get back to normal is to listen to public health officials. We don't have to like it; we can grumble about it, but we should really follow the guidelines. I truly believe this won't last much longer if we just pull together. The vaccine is here! I'm filled with so much hope.

I received my first dose and will be getting the second next month. I was actually the first to get it at my hospital and one of the first in the Columbus area. Thankfully, no side effects but a sore arm! It's been really cool to see so many nurses around the country, including my sister-in-law, Angie Fossitt, posting their vaccine pics online.

**What else do you fill your days with? Has the pandemic changed that?**

My personal life hasn't changed much since the pandemic. I just eat out a little less, shop a little less, work a little more. Everything in Ohio is still up and running, just with restrictions. Our kids are still at-

tending school in-person full time and playing sports, at least in our area.

**Do you get home often?**

I try to get home twice a year—the 4th of July and Thanksgiving. It's a tradition to go to Suzie and Ted Nutkins' house for the parade. Can't miss the Newberry Fire Department versus the water balloons every year!

I came up twice this summer. I'm very grateful for that because I was able to spend quality time with my grandpa, Menzo Caswell. The last time I was home, in October, was for his funeral.

**How do you remember Newberry? Does it still**

**feel like home?**

I remember hanging out at the playground for hours with all the neighborhood kids, playing basketball. I remember the Little Brown Jug games and how bad we wanted to beat the Soo. I remember escorting the Bantam hockey teams bus after they won the State Championship. I remember attending weddings at the Elks and the Legion. I remember how much I loved driving down the hill at Christmas time and seeing the bells stretching for what seemed like miles down main street.

Much of that same small town spirit still persists. Newberry has been good to my family and I am grateful for that. So, yes, it still feels like home.

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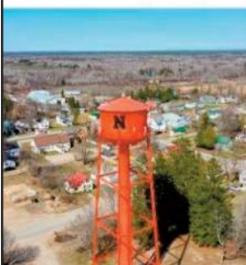
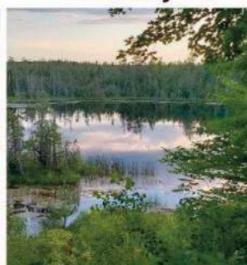
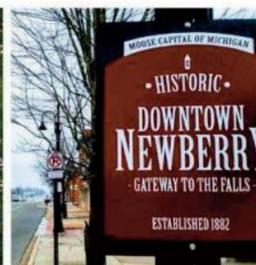
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## Handing out the Hardware: 2020 Sports Awards

By Dan Hardenbrook

Before we move forward (and while we wait for what's next), we are taking a look back at the best sports moments of the year. Who were the top athletes? Who is an upcoming star? Let's take a look at the best from this year's local sports scene. The Newberry News and M-123FM proudly present the 2020 Year in Sports Awards.

### Best male athlete - Newberry

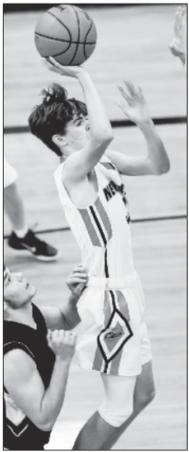
*The Nominees:*

Logan Depew – He consistently finished near the top of the team runners for the Indians cross country team, and was an All UP 1st teamer on the football field.

Ephram Evans – The dual sports star shines both on the track and on the trails for Newberry High School.

Luke Jordan – “Cool Hand Luke” was a sharpshooter with incredible range and a soft touch that could light any gym on fire.

Ivan Oswald – His playoff performance against Onaway helped the Indians earn their first ever postseason win in 8 Man Football.



Logan Depew

The senior still has high hopes for baseball too, where he is also a star pitcher and shortstop for the Newberry baseball teams that lost their spring season.

### Best male athlete - Engadine

*The Nominees:*

Hunter Dennis – Dennis's hard work earned him special recognition from EUP Conference basketball coaches after leading the Eagles despite playing on an injured ankle.

Ian McArthur – Built like a guard, with the strength to play in the post, McArthur became Coach Walter Hanson's Swiss Army knife.

Nick Nance – Big, strong, agile, and smart, Nance earned All Division, All Conference, All UP, and All State honors.

Conrad Spieles – A consistent head-of-the-pack performer, he held his own and beat some of the best runners around.



Conrad Spieles

### Best female athlete - Newberry

*The Nominees:*

Kaylen Clark – Clark overcame a serious knee injury to peak at the right time this fall earning All State Cross Country honors for her 11th place finish at UP Finals.

Brenna Pavey – A four-sport varsity athlete, Brenna is praised for being reliable, consistent, and a leader on the floor.

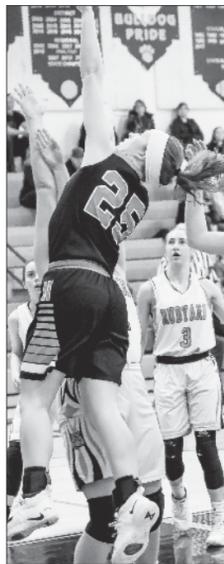
Katie Rahilly – This girl is the best at

whatever she tries. Basketball, volleyball, softball, hockey. How does she do it?

Bailey Zellar – Zellar was a key call-up who developed into the starting point guard for the basketball team, would have qualified for multiple events at UP Finals in track, and was a stand-out on the volleyball team.

*The winner is:*

Katie Rahilly – Laser-focused and intent to win, Rahilly makes it all look easy. Whether it's Friday night basketball in De-Tour or driving straight through the night for Saturday morning hockey in Detroit, Katie Sue is a sure bet.



Katie Rahilly

### Best female athlete – Engadine

*The Nominees:*

Camille Crandall – Explosive and athletic, with a blend of strength and quickness that can strike fear into opponents, Crandall's signature jump serve became an elite move for Engadine's top volleyball player.

Leah French – An impact player on a district title winning basketball team, she helped lead the Lady Eagles all the way to the regional finals.

Leah Gould – Gould is the leader of the Lady Eagles cross country team, and is constantly improving despite having so much success.

Sophia Vaughn – Conference Player of the Year, All EUP Conference, All UP, AP All State, 1,000 Career Points, District Champion, Regional Finalist – her story is amazing.

*The winner is:*

Sophia Vaughn – The others are deserving, but only Vaughn is in the conversation as the greatest Lady Eagle of All Time. Vaughn is pictured above.

### Coach of the Year

*The Nominees:*

Joe Austin, NHS Football – The ol' ball coach came back to transition the Indians into an 8 Man program and get them into the playoffs. He succeeded.

Jim Dzelak, NHS Girls Basketball – The



French Trucking Team

development of young or lesser experienced players, such as Bailey Zellar, and this past season with Mackenzie Dunbar and April James, shows you he values every player.

Roger French, EHS Girls Basketball – French's teams took down some of the top teams in the EUP Conference, ran through Rudyard in the District Championship, and won their regional semifinal for a shot at St. Ignace.

Walter Hanson, EHS Boys Basketball – Hanson has a keen ability to turn what he teaches on the floor and translate it to everyday life.

John Nutkins, State Savings Bank Hockey – Nutkins' State Savings Bank team was an uncrowned 2020 State Champion. I'd hang a banner anyway. They deserve it.

Ben Rahilly, French Trucking Hockey – Rahilly seems to coach with magic, from Little League and youth football up to a run of a state championship hockey team. His work meshing three towns into one team and leading them to the doorstep of history gets him a 2020 mention.

Jason Tokar, NHS/American Legion Baseball – No coach worked harder to get kids back on the field this year than Tokar. He made his program independent, accepted the workload that came with it, and salvaged summer when kids needed it most.

*The winner is:*

Roger French – Congratulations on achieving 100 wins, and leading your girls to the semi-final championship game this year. French is pictured above.

### Team of the year

French Trucking 14U Hockey Team – Instead of coasting to another championship, they went looking for the biggest and toughest teams they could find. Another classic showdown with Cadillac in Petoskey, a District Title on their home ice, and a trip to the State Finals in Kalamazoo were part of the journey for 2020's top team. They combined players from three



2020 Engadine Varsity Girls Basketball team: From left to right: Leah French, Emma Butkovich, Sophia Vaughn, Isabella Kopsi and coach Roger French.

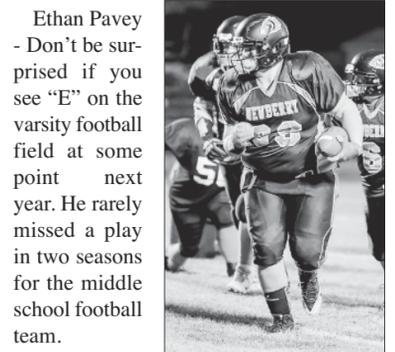
towns that used to compete against each other and practiced in a different place every time just to have a team. They dominated everyone they came across in the UP. Congratulations on another beautiful season.

### Who's next: Athletes to watch

Time now to take a look into the future. Who will we be talking about this time next year?



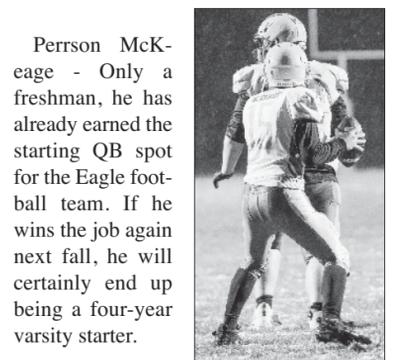
Matthew Rahilly - He may be our best local athlete, and he's only in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. He's got incredible size and skill for his age, plays every sport at a high level, and is one of the best teammates I've ever seen.



Ethan Pavey - Don't be surprised if you see "E" on the varsity football field at some point next year. He rarely missed a play in two seasons for the middle school football team.



Kaylen Clark – She rewrote the middle school record book for running and if she is 100% in 2021, look out. She will make a run at the high school records as well.



Perrson McKee - Only a freshman, he has already earned the starting QB spot for the Eagle football team. If he wins the job again next fall, he will certainly end up being a four-year varsity starter.

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# Updated priority for COVID-19 vaccination

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) officials today updated prioritization guidance for COVID-19 vaccination administration for essential workers and those at high risk of severe infection. Additionally, MDHHS announced the vaccination of more than 37,000 frontline health care providers.

MDHHS is following the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendations for prioritization of distribution and administration of COVID-19 vaccines. CDC recommendations are based on input from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), the federal advisory committee made up of medical and public health experts who develop recommendations on the use of vaccines in the United

States. ACIP updated its recommendations on Saturday, Dec. 20 regarding Phases 1b and 1c, including essential workers and those at high risk of severe infection. This was an effort to balance prevention of illness and death, while preserving societal functioning. CDC published the accepted recommendations on Tuesday, Dec. 22.

Updated phases are as follows:  
Phase 1: Paid and unpaid persons serving in healthcare settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials and are unable to work from home as well as residents in long term care facilities.

Phase 1B: Persons 75 years of age or older and frontline essential workers in critical infrastructure.

Phase 1C: Individuals 16 years of age or older at high risk of severe illness due to COVID-19 infection and some other essential workers whose position impacts life, safety and protection during the COVID-19 response.

Phase 2: Individuals 16 years of age or older.

These prioritizations may change as more information on vaccine effectiveness and additional vaccination products become available. MDHHS has provided additional prioritization guidance within these categories. It is important to note that vaccination in one phase may not be complete before vaccination in another phase begins. There may be vaccination of individuals in different phases that occur simultaneously. The timing of the start of vaccination in a phase is de-

pendent on the supply of vaccine from the manufacturer, how vaccine is allocated from the federal level to Michigan and the capacity to administer the vaccine to populations. Decisions on moving to the next phase will be made at the state level.

More than 231,000 doses of Moderna and Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine have been delivered to local health departments and hospitals across the state with over 120,000 additional doses expected next week.

Even with COVID-19 vaccinations starting in Michigan and worldwide, Khaldun urges everyone to continue to practice preventative measures such as properly wearing masks, social distancing and frequent hand-washing to reduce the spread of the virus until the vast majority of

people have been vaccinated.

Michigan health officials have set a goal of vaccinating 70% of Michiganders over age 16, about 5.6 million people, by the end of 2021. There will be no out-of-pocket costs to individuals for the vaccine, however, healthcare providers may bill insurance for administrative costs. The COVID-19 vaccine will require two doses, separated by three or four weeks depending on the manufacturer.

Michiganders should receive both doses in order to have full protection from the virus. Individuals who receive the vaccine may experience mild side effects such as low-grade fever, sore arm and general discomfort, which indicate that the vaccine is working. There is a robust state and national process for tracking vaccines and reporting side effects.

## Remembering the other things – continued

From May 6, 2020

—The Michigan Department of Education has announced that strict adherence to the Read by Grade 3 will be suspended this year. The law requires third graders to be tested near the end of the school year, and any student who is reading more than one grade level below expectations would be flagged for retention.

From May 20, 2020

— A set of pumps that bring sewage to the Newberry Wastewater Treatment Plant became plugged and purged about 132,000 gallons of wastewater into the Tahquamenon River.

From June 3, 2020

— Four members of the Newberry High School Class of 2020 have enlisted in the military - two in the Army, two in the National Guard - and were scheduled to leave town before their July 24 graduation ceremony.

So the school held four tiny graduations for them - one for each student. State restrictions allowed only groups of 10 or less, so the graduates were each given their own 15-minute ceremony and allowed to bring only their immediate families. The ceremonies were held Friday, May 29.

From July 1, 2020

— On Friday, July 3, American flags appeared on front lawns of nearly every home in Newberry.

Dave DeMerse, owner of Hometown Pharmacy, ordered the flags in April and worked with his staff to prepare them with a greeting card from the pharmacy. The prep, limited to slow moments at the pharmacy, took months.

From July 29, 2020

—Jackie Roe was only able to call Milan, Michigan, home for two years before she was asked to move to the Upper Peninsula. Roe was asked to take over the local United Methodist congregations from Tim Callow, who was moved to Bad Axe.

From August 5, 2020

— On Saturday, July 25, Mark Zitnik and his family were taking a boat ride on Lake Superior to celebrate his engagement to Abbey Kelto of Munising. They were touring the Pictured Rocks shoreline on Kelto's family's boat when Zitnik, a 2006 Newberry High School graduate, heard a cry for help.

From August 19, 2020

— Like every family, the family of Kathi Gray had enough reasons to remember the year 2020. But they wanted more. Something bright.

Gray and her daughter, Lindsey Lombardo, had been mulling over a whirlwind trip that took them to all five Great Lakes - Erie, Huron, Michigan, Ontario, and Superior - in one day.

From September 16, 2020

—In the fall of 1982, Newberry resident Vernard "Ole" Olson was on the job when he dug up \$90,000 in

cash in the midst of the Tahquamenon Falls State Park.

From September 23, 2020

— The American Legion in Newberry is a local icon - a steady piece of the fabric of our community that feels like it's been there forever.

Even if you've never been in the service, or you're not a legion member, you've likely been to the legion for spaghetti dinners, a wedding, or a meeting of some kind. It is the place where Newberry gathers most often.

Today, the Hugh Allan McInnes American Legion Post 74 of Newberry turns 100 years old.

From October 28, 2020

—After spending a year on the job as interim village manager, it's official: Allison Watkins is now the permanent village manager.

The employment agreement to hire Watkins as the new village manager was unanimously approved at the monthly meeting of the Newberry Village Council. The council met Tuesday, October 20 via Zoom.

—On Tuesday, October 20, the community of Newberry lost its oldest resident-Menzo Caswell, who died just two days shy of his 102nd birthday.

Caswell was well known and was present at most community functions. He may be best remembered for his sense of humor and service to local organizations.

From November 4, 2020

—Try to buy a house in Newberry right now, and you'll find very few options.

And if you're looking for a cabin in the woods, or acreage, you're a few months late. Properties in our region were snapped up at a record pace during 2020, and local real estate agencies aren't sure why.

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From November 25, 2020

—Newberry High School graduate Maysa Sitar is completing her senior year in the Honors College at Michigan State University, where she is studying political science. She was just named one of the 12 recipients of the 2022 George J Mitchell scholarship, which attracted 453 applicants from across the country. Scholarship winners spend the next academic year pursuing postgraduate studies in Ireland.

From December 2, 2020

—Former state Senator Tom Casperson of Escanaba died on Sunday following a battle with lung cancer. He was 61.

Casperson spent 14 years serving the state, as a state representative from 2003-2008, and in the state Senate from 2011-2018. He left the Senate after he reached his term limit.

From December 16, 2020

— You've probably been there to vote, for prom, or maybe even for vaccines. Though its halls have quieted in recent years, the McMillan Township Community Building has arguably been the single most important structure in the history of Newberry.

It's not just a brick building - it practically has a pulse. And now, it has turned 100.

From December 23, 2020

— When Brian Rahilly becomes the 11th Circuit Court judge on December 28, he will leave just one practicing attorney in Luce County: Chad Peltier.

Peltier works from his Newberry office, located in the lower apartment of the building he also lives in, pretty much every day of the week. Though he has an assistant, he prefers to answer the phone himself when it rings - and it rings a lot.

## 92<sup>nd</sup> District Court

Mary Frances Nalette, 38, of Newberry, was bound over to circuit court on one count of possession of analogues, and one count of assaulting, resisting, or obstructing a police officer. The charges stem from an alleged offense on September 13, 2020. Nalette is scheduled to be arraigned in circuit court on January 19, 2021.

James Gerald Feil III, 35, of Newberry, was bound over to circuit court on one count of trespassing on state land, causing damage between \$1,000-\$20,000. The charge stems from an alleged offense on May 9, 2020. Feil is scheduled to be arraigned in circuit court on January 19, 2021.

Tyler Joseph Temple, 23, of Newberry, was bound over to circuit court on one count of possession of analogues. The charge stems from an alleged offense on December 6, 2020. Temple is scheduled to be arraigned in circuit court on January 19, 2021.

Edward Martin Sears, 33, of Germfask, was bound over to circuit court on one count of possession of methamphetamine, and one count of possession of analogues. The charges stem from an alleged incident on November 12, 2020. Sears is scheduled to be arraigned in circuit court on January 19, 2021.

For the safety of all village residents, we ask you to remember that the **Winter Parking Ordinance is in effect through March 31, 2021.**

### Village of Newberry WINTER PARKING ORDINANCE SECTION 23

It shall be unlawful and deemed a violation of this Ordinance for a person or persons to park a motor vehicle on any street in the Village of Newberry between the hours of 1:00am and 7:00am, Eastern Standard Time, during the months of December, January, February, and March. In addition, the area between the curb and sidewalk, or 5 feet within the curb for areas with no sidewalks must be kept clear for snow removal activities per Ordinance 29:3:1 and 29:3:3b.

Please note: Violation of this ordinance may result in written warnings and/or tickets. We appreciate your support as the Village of Newberry DPW staff work to keep the streets and sidewalks clear of snow.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS MDOT Seney Rest Area Maintenance

The Schoolcraft County Road Commission is soliciting bids for the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for the performance of rest area maintenance and grounds keeping at the MDOT Seney Rest Area in Seney, Michigan, located on M-28.

This is a three-year contract beginning March 1, 2021 to February 29, 2024, with two one-year options to extend. Outline of duties, bid specifications, and bid forms may be obtained by appointment at the Schoolcraft County Road Commission, 332N East Road Manistique, Michigan 49854 or on the website at schoolcraftcountyoroads.org.

A **mandatory** pre-bid meeting will be held via Zoom at 10:00 am on Monday January 18, 2021. Zoom details will be posted on the website at schoolcraftcountyoroads.org.

Bids are to be in a sealed envelope plainly marked "SENEY REST AREA MAINTENANCE BID" with the bidder's name appearing on the outside of the envelope. Bids will be received until 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 26, 2021. Bids will be opened on January 27, 2021 at 8:00 am meeting can be viewed via Zoom. All bidders must be registered vendors with the State of Michigan.

Schoolcraft County Road Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive irregularities therein and to accept any bid which in the opinion of the Road Commission may be most advantageous and in the best interest of the County of Schoolcraft.

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**THE NEWBERRY VILLAGE COUNCIL** is seeking a Trustee. See their ad below.

**ENGADINE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS** is seeking a history teacher. See their ad below.

**WALTHER FARMS** is seeking seasonal help. See their ad below.

**THE NEWBERRY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** is looking for a director. See their ad below.

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# Luce County Sheriff's Log

December 21-27

The following cases were investigated by the Luce County Sheriff Department between December 21 and 27, 2020. Reports were taken.

December 21 – Driving with no operator's license, Newberry Ave., Newberry.

December 22 – Bond violation, State St, Pentland Township.

December 23 –Property damage accident-car/deer, CR135, Lakefield Town-

ship.  
December 24 – Suicidal juvenile, E. Ave B, Newberry.

December 24 – Domestic assault, E. Ave B, Newberry.

December 26 – Leaving the scene of a property damage accident-2 vehicle, E. John St, Newberry.

Traffic stops: 7  
Traffic citations: 3  
Verbal warnings: 4  
Motorist assists: 0

Property inspections: 49  
Liquor inspections: 9  
Assist other agencies: 4  
Assist own agency: 0  
Investigative arrests: 1  
OWI arrests: 0  
Concealed Pistol license fingerprints taken: 10  
Process servings conducted: 8  
Hours patrolled: 55  
Miles patrolled: 737  
Complaints taken: 6

**Bookings**  
12/21 32-year-old female; Operating while under the influence of a controlled substance.  
12/24 43-year-old male; Operating while

visibly impaired  
12/24 17-year-old male; domestic violence

### FOUND PROPERTY:

Will the person(s) that donated a women's purse to the Senior Center sometime around the date of December 4, 2020 please contact Undersheriff Gravelle at the Luce County Sheriff Dept. as some property was found in a purse that we would like to get returned to the proper owner. Call the Luce County Sheriff Dept. at 906-293-8431

In an emergency, call 911. In non-emergencies, dial Central Dispatch at (906) 495-2140.

## McMILLAN TWP BOARD

### Regular Meeting Minutes December 28, 2020

The regular meeting of the McMillan Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Schultz at 4:30 p.m.

Present were: Schultz, Villemure, Medelis, Rahilly, Nutkins, and Tammy Henry.

Motion by Nutkins, supported by Medelis to approve the minutes of the November 30, 2020 meeting as read. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

Motion by Villemure, supported by Rahilly to approve the bills. Those being GENERAL checks 8029-8071 totaling \$31,123.50 and UDAG checks 1354-1355 totaling \$3,372.08. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

Motion by Villemure, supported by Nutkins to accept the Treasurer's report. Ayes

– All. Motion carried.

Motion by Rahilly, supported by Villemure to approve the 2021 EDC Budget. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

Motion by Rahilly, supported by Nutkins to approve the 2021 FIRE DEPARTMENT Budget. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

Motion by Villemure, supported by Rahilly to amend the Budget as follows:

DR 101-265-976-00 4000.00  
CR 101-890-000-00 4000.00

Ayes – All. Motion carried.

Motion by Rahilly, supported by Medelis to appoint Darlene Kisro and Mark Blakely to the 2021-2022 Board of Review. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

Motion by Nutkins, supported by Medelis to adjourn. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

These minutes are unofficial until approved at a future meeting.

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## Mackinac County Sheriff's Office Weekly Activity Report

For the week of December 20 - 26 the following activity was reported by the Mackinac County Sheriff's office:

–Traffic accidents for this week included the following: Eight one-car property damage accidents, four of which were car/deer accidents. Deputies also assisted two motorists roadside.

–Deputies responded to one well-being check.

–Deputies provided assistance to Michigan State Police, St. Ignace Police Department (twice), Clark Township EMS, and Straits EMS (twice).

–Deputies responded to two larceny complaints.

–Deputies responded to one malicious damage to property complaint.

–Deputies investigated one suspicious person and a false alarm complaint.

–Deputies took one illegal dumping complaint.

–Animal Control handled three dog complaints.

Deputy Eli Leach- 4931  
Mackinac County Sheriff's Office

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**Walther Farms** is currently accepting applications for **seasonal employees** for shipping season. Applications are available at:  
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## SIGN ON BONUS

### Help Wanted Registered Nurse Full-time Position Available

North Woods Home Care and Hospice has an excellent opportunity for a full-time RN/Case Manager in the Newberry area. We are looking for a compassionate professional with strong nursing skills who will case manage patients based out of our Newberry office with paid travel time. RNs work with a multi-disciplinary team of health professionals, make home visits to patients and assume on-call responsibilities. The Newberry location serves patients in and around the greater Luce County area including parts of Mackinac and Chippewa counties.

Experience in home care is a plus. Computer literacy needed and experience in computerized documentation system is helpful. We offer an attractive compensation and benefits package including a sign on bonus and a company car based from home.

Send resume to:  
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## FULL TIME TELLER POSITION – NEWBERRY

Responsibilities would include but are not limited to: cash handling, proficient use of computers, answering the telephone, provide prompt, efficient and friendly service, excellent communication skills, process transactions for various types of accounts, adhere to guidelines established to maintain a balanced drawer and strong ability to multi-task.

Anyone interested in applying for this position, please send a resume to: Teller Position, P.O. Box 485, Newberry, MI 49868.

**Newberry Chamber of Commerce** will be accepting applications for the position of

### CHAMBER DIRECTOR

The Director reports to the Chamber Board, manages and coordinates all aspects of Chamber operations and activities including membership recruitment and maintenance, event planning, financial reporting, and customer care.

The ideal candidate will be creative, proactive, and outgoing with excellent interpersonal skills. This position requires a person to have good communication skills, be honest, organized and dependable with proficient computer skills in Quickbooks, Word, and Excel.

A High School Diploma (or GED), valid driver's license, and reliable transportation are all required. The position requires some evening/weekend hours.

Please send cover letter, resume, and contact information of three professional references to [nbyaccdirector@gmail.com](mailto:nbyaccdirector@gmail.com) or to Newberry Area Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 308, Newberry, MI 49868. Materials will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Deadline to apply is January 7, 2021.

## VILLAGE COUNCIL VACANCIES

The Village of Newberry is seeking two individuals who would like to serve as Village Council Trustees, the appointee(s) would serve two years and then the seats are placed on the ballot for election in November 2022. Individuals must live in the Village. Any individual meeting the criteria should submit a completed pre-appointment questionnaire (available from the VON office or [www.villageofnewberry.com](http://www.villageofnewberry.com)) to the attention of Village President Catherine Freese at 302 E. McMillan Ave, Newberry, MI 49868 or [freese@newberry.mi.gov](mailto:freese@newberry.mi.gov) or [villagepresident@newberry.mi.gov](mailto:villagepresident@newberry.mi.gov). Questionnaires must be submitted by 4:00PM on Thursday, December 10.

**LMAS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

### CLERICAL POSITION

LMAS District Health Department is accepting applications for a full-time clerical position in our Newberry office. Job duties include computer data entry, filing, customer service, typing, compiling reports and other clerical duties as needed.

Excellent people and computer skills, and experience in an office environment required. Travel may be required.

Applications may be submitted to: LMAS District Health Department, Human Resources, 14150 Hamilton Lake Road, Newberry, MI 49868 or emailed to: [hr@lmasdhd.org](mailto:hr@lmasdhd.org)

*\*An application must accompany a resume\**  
Please visit our website to download an application: [www.lmasdhd.org](http://www.lmasdhd.org)

# HELP WANTED – ASAP!

Luce County Parks and Recreation is looking to fill **3 part-time positions immediately**

- Roughly 24 Hours Per Week
- Outside Manual Labor
- Weekends a Must
- Minimum Wage

Applications can be picked up at the Luce County Courthouse, 407 West Harrie Street.



Michigan DNR

A muskrat swims off with a pond plant in its mouth.

## Self-care Saturday is a walk in the park

By Rachel Coale  
Forest Resources Division  
Michigan Department of Natural Resources



Michigan DNR

Rachel Coale

Every Saturday morning since the fall leaves began dropping, I lace up my boots, fill a water bottle and head out the door. Each week, I add another warm layer as the temperatures seem to freefall downward – a jacket, gloves, hat and thick socks.

Arriving at a local park, I reassure myself, “This is good for me,” my face reddening in the chilly winter air.

And it is – this small ritual, a dedicated time to be outdoors, has been a touchstone in a time where rapid change, uncertainty and distance from loved ones is a shared experience.

For me, the outdoors has always been a place to seek joy by jumping into lakes, rambling down ravines and finding adventure on a trail – but it’s also a place to slow down and get centered.

The buzzwordy idea of “self-care” evokes images of bubble baths, fuzzy slippers and detox drinks. But it can be simpler than that. At its most basic, self-care is a focus on physical and mental health that helps us be our best selves. For many, the outdoors is an essential part of that equation.

“The natural environment can buffer us from impacts of life stresses,” Linda E. Kruger of the Forestry Sciences Lab in Juneau,

Alaska said in a talk about the importance of natural spaces for public well-being.

Kruger describes the forest as “nature’s health service,” emphasizing the importance of regularly spending time in the outdoors – even in winter – to physical and psychological health.

Some estimates blame more than 75% of primary care physician visits on stress-related problems; a prescription for nature may be a benefit to many. In addition to stress relief, Kruger cites research that suggests spending time in the outdoors reduces the risk of many chronic conditions.

In a study in Japan, anticancer proteins increased in the blood of participants who made short visits to forests for three days.

In many ways, my hikes in the forest or loops around the local park path are a movement meditation that engage the senses and encourage me to focus on being present.

On a trail, my to-do list falls away as I listen to the steady rhythm of my footsteps, smell rich fallen leaves and drink in the rough edges, curves and colors of nature with my eyes.

I once read that nature, for the most part, does not make straight lines, and it has stuck with me since. Outside, I can get away from the rectangles and boxes of indoor life.

The bend of a path, twisted trunk of a tree or ripples on a pond are soothing counters to the glaring blue screens of the phones and computers I’m parked in front of for much of the day.

With shorter days and a loss of light at what I consider the absurd hour of 5 p.m., I’ve been increasingly seeking local parks to

squeeze in some outdoor time between the edge of the workday and sunset.

I love the sprawling wildness of state forests, parks and game areas, but I am also growing an appreciation for smaller green spaces closer to home.

At Fenner Nature Center, a 134-acre park wedged between Michigan State University and downtown Lansing, I enjoy visits to a native prairie, rippling ponds and forested wetlands.

White-tailed deer, muskrats and pileated woodpeckers often make appearances as I explore the trails. Surrounded by swaying trees and birdsong, it’s easy to forget that traffic lights and lattes are just

minutes away.

“Thankfully, the outdoors have remained ‘open’ for all and will continue to provide opportunities for people to ‘get out and do something’ while so many of our favorite activities and venues are canceled or closed,” said Michigan Department of Natural Resources Marketing and Outreach Division Chief Kristin Phillips. “We are blessed in Michigan to have millions of acres of forests, thousands of miles of trails and rivers, hundreds of parks and green spaces that provide a vast amount of options – socially distant and close to home.”

Looking for a new place to get outside? Visit the Your Local Out-

doors interactive map to find DNR-managed parks, trails and hunting areas close by.

This weekend, I’m looking forward to a self-care routine that will involve a hike on a new-to-me trail, a mug of hot cocoa and time spent birdwatching. But I’m not ruling out a bubble bath, either.

Exercise and fresh air in the outdoors are proven natural mood boosters that can help shake a case of the winter blues. However, if you find yourself experiencing serious depression symptoms, contact your doctor or call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline for confidential support at 1-800-273-TALK (8255).



Michigan DNR

An old stump helps provide a picturesque setting for the Woldumar Nature Center in Lansing.

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