After Holidays Party

Wednesday, January 26, 2005
5 – 7 p.m.
Great Lakes Rooms

Remember to bring a non-perishable food to the after holidays party. These will be distributed to Marquette area food banks.

Local 1950 News

Meetings Schedule for 2004-2005
The monthly meetings are being held in the Explorer Rooms
February 2
March 2
April 6
Spring Luncheon - May 11
Great Lakes Rooms

Senior Notes

Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age, and start bragging about it.

The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.

Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me, I want people to know why I look this way. (0562) I’ve traveled a long way and some of the roads weren’t paved.

How old would you be if you didn’t know how old you are?

When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to your youth ...... Remember about Algebra.

You know you are getting old, when everything either dries up, or leaks.

I don’t know how I got over the hill without getting to the top.

One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it is such a nice change from being young.

Ah, being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.

Old age is when former classmates are so gray and wrinkled and bald, they don’t recognize you.

If you don’t learn to laugh at trouble, you won’t have anything to laugh at when you are old.

Have a GREAT day.......and keep Laughing.
**Current Representation Districts**

Chief Steward - **Grace Albert**

District 1 - **Jan Crawford** - Cohodas

District 2 - **Beth Sanderson** - Services Building, Quad II (except Magers), Jacobetti Center, PEIF, Superior Dome, Berry Events Center

District 3 - **Gary Jerry** - West Science, Learning Resources, Magers, New Science Facility, Whitman

District 4 - **Vacant** - University Center, Lee Hall, Art & Design North and South, Gries Hall, McClintock, Thomas Fine Arts, and Hedgcock.

**2002-2005 Officers**

**President** - Sue Tollefson

**Vice President** - Dan Leppanen

**Secretary** - Pat Frenn

**Treasurer** - Rita Leppanen

**Sergeant at Arms** - Phyllis Zaenglein

**Guide** - Karen Smith

**Trustees** - Maddie Anderson, Mary Bourdeau, Joann Jordon

**Bargaining Team** - Grace Albert, Penny Hubble, Kimber Olli, Pat Woods

**President Search Committee Rep** - Sue Henderson

**Stewards** - Grace Albert, Chief

**District 1** - Jan Crawford

**District 2** - Beth Sanderson

**District 3** - Gary Jerry

**District 4** - Vacant

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**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Jan Crawford Jan 1
Debby Williams Jan 8
Ronny Paris Jan 8
Margaret Schwalm Jan 10
Cindy Kleinschmidt Jan 12
Linda Sides Jan 14
Beverly Evans Jan 16
Cindy Schwartz Jan 17
Kay Mandersheid Jan 19
Kristi Harvala Jan 20
Jennifer Lauren Jan 20
Joan Dupras Jan 21
Suzanne Hellman Jan 24
Margarete Salingar Jan 26
Cara Kamps Jan 27
Season Holdwick Jan 28
Wendy Carlson Jan 31
Madeline Anderson Jan 31

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**Thank You**

Dear Members of the Local 1950,

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness and gift basket. It was very much appreciated! The goodies were delicious and the crossword puzzle magazine was put to use almost immediately. Crosswords are one of my favorite things to do!

Sincerely, Cory Schei

December 17, 2004

Dear Friend:

We would like to take this opportunity to extend our appreciation for your donation of $50 given to the Mining Journal’s Cheer Club. Your donation is given to The Salvation Army of Marquette to use for holiday food and gifts for the needy. It is so kind of you to work with us to help those who are struggling over the holidays.

May God bless you for your compassion and may you always have a tender heart for those who are less fortunate.

Sincerely,
Robin Rose, Major
(Salvation Army - Marquette)

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**Employment Changes**

Linda Greenberg accepted the Student Services Representative 4B position in the Student Service Center, effective 11/8/04. She replaced Ronnie Varney.

Kelly Dore will transfer into the new Senior Secretary II 4C position in the Development Fund, effective 12/13/04.
The Play of Words
from Crazy English by Richard Lederer

There are four consecutive vowels in aqueous and sequoia.

There are five consecutive vowels in queueing. Queue is the only English word that retains its pronunciation when the 4 vowels are removed.

In abstemious, abstentious, adventitious, facetious, and parecious the five major vowels (a,e,i,o,u) are in order. In duoliteral, quodliteral, subcontinental, uncomplimentary, unoriental, and unnoticeably the five major vowels are in reverse order.

The longest common word that contains only 1 vowel is strengths.

Defenselessness contains one repeated vowel and no other vowels (15 letters and 5 e’s). Strengthlessness (16 letters and 4 e’s), Tennessee (9 letters and 4 e’s) and Mississippi (11 letters and 4 i’s) are other examples. Indivisibilities contains 7 i’s and 1 e.

Eerie is the best example of a 5 letter word with only 1 consonant.

Overstuffed and understudy contain 4 letter in alpha order - rstu.

Bookkeeper is probably the best known word with 3 double letters in a row.

Most consecutive dots - Beijing, Fiji, and hijinks

Words when pronounced consist of letter sounds - essay (SA), enemy (NME), (9972) excellency (XLNC) and expediency (XPDNC).

Pyramid words contain one use of one letter, 2 uses of the next letter, 3 of the next, etc. Two examples are Tennessee’s (1 t, 2 n’s, 3 s’s, 4 e’s) and sleeveless (one v, 2 l’s, 3 s’s, and 4 e’s)

The longest English words that can be written on a single horizontal row of a standard keyboard, naturally using the top row since it contains 5 of the 7 vowels, are proprietor, perpetuity, and typewriter.

A pangram contains all the letters in the alphabet. The most well known is The quick brown fox jumps over a lazy dog - 33 letters. Others are Pack my box with five dozen liquor jugs - 32 letters, Jackdaws love my big sphinx of quartz -32 letters, and How quickly daft jumping zebras vex - 30 letters.

Binades are words divided into two shorter word by taking the alternate letters in order. Examples are lounge: lug (odd letters) and one (even letters) and schooled: shoe (odd letters) and cold (even letters).

The following is an example of bilingual reverse, an English sentence that reads forward but read backwards in Latin. Both sentences have the same meaning.


Good and Welfare

Contacts that were made in November 2004 were
Joan Dupras, surgery, gift and card;
Cory Schei, surgery, gift and card;
Maddie Anderson, sympathy card, passing of her mother.
HEALTH AND WELFARE - REMEDIES

1. Drinking two glasses of Gatorade can relieve headache pain almost immediately — without the unpleasant side effects caused by traditional pain relievers.

2. Did you know that Colgate toothpaste makes an excellent salve for burns?

3. Before you head to the drugstore for a high-priced inhaler filled with mysterious chemicals, try chewing on a couple of curiously strong Altoids peppermints. They'll clear up your stuffed nose.

4. Achy muscles from a bout of the flu? Mix 1 tablespoon of horseradish in a cup of olive oil. Let the mixture sit for 30 minutes, then apply it as massage oil, for instant relief for aching muscles.

5. Sore Throat? Just mix 1/4 cup of vinegar with 1/4 cup of honey and take 1 tablespoon six times a day. The vinegar kills the bacteria.

6. Cure urinary tract infections with Alka-Seltzer! Just dissolve two tablets in a glass of water and drink it at the onset of the symptoms. Alka-Seltzer begins eliminating urinary tract infections almost instantly - even though the product was never been advertised for this use.

7. Eliminate puffiness under your eyes..... All you need is a dab of preparation H, carefully rubbed into the skin, avoiding the eyes. The hemorrhoid ointment acts as a vasoconstrictor, relieving the swelling instantly.

8. Honey remedy for skin blemishes... Cover the blemish with a dab of honey and place a band-aid over it. Honey kills the bacteria, keeps the skin, sterile, and speeds healing. Works overnight.

9. Listerine therapy for toenail fungus... Get rid of unsightly toenail fungus by soaking your toes in Listerine mouthwash. The powerful antiseptic leaves your toenails looking healthy again.

10. Easy eyeglass protection... To prevent the screws in eyeglasses from loosening, apply a small drop of Maybelline Crystal Clear nail polish to the threads of the screws before tightening them.

11. Coca-Cola cure for rust... Forget those expensive rust removers. Just saturate an abrasive sponge with Coca Cola and scrub the rust stain. (5953) The phosphoric acid in the coke is what gets the job done.

12. Cleaning liquid that doubles as bug killer... If menacing bees, wasps, hornets, or yellow jackets get in your home and you can’t find the insecticide, try a spray of Formula 409. Insects drop to the ground instantly.

13. Smart splinter remover... just pour a drop of Elmer's Glue all over the splinter, let dry, and peel the dried glue off the skin. The splinter sticks to the dried glue.

14. Hunt’s tomato paste boil cure... cover the boil with Hunt's tomato paste as a compress. The acids from the tomatoes soothe the pain and bring the boil to a head.

15. Balm for broken blisters... To disinfect a broken blister, dab on a few drops of Listerine... a powerful antiseptic.

16. Heinz vinegar to heal bruises... Soak a cotton ball in white vinegar and apply it to the bruise for 1 hour. The vinegar reduces the blueness and speeds up the healing process.

17. Kills fleas instantly. Add a few drops of Dawn dish washing liquid to your dog's bath and shampoo the animal thoroughly. Rinse well to avoid skin irritations. Good-bye fleas.

18. Rainy day cure for dog odor... Next time your dog comes in from the rain simply wipe down the animal with Bounce or any dryer sheet, instantly making your dog smell springtime fresh.

19. Eliminate ear mites... All it takes is a few drops of Wesson corn oil in your cat's ear. Massage it in, then clean with a cotton ball. Repeat daily for 3 days. The oil soothes the cat's skin, smothers the mites, and accelerates healing.

20. Vaseline cure for hair balls...... To prevent troublesome hair balls, apply a dollop of Vaseline petroleum jelly to your cat's nose. The cat will lick off the jelly, lubricating any hair in its stomach so it can pass easily through the digestive system.

21. Quaker Oats for fast pain relief... It's not for breakfast anymore! Mix 2 cups of Quaker Oats and 1 cup of water in a bowl and warm in the microwave for 1 minute, cool slightly, and apply the mixture to your hands for soothing relief from arthritis pain.

Thanks to Sue Tollefson
TRIVIA

A dime has 118 ridges around the edge.
A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.
A crocodile cannot stick out its tongue.
A dragonfly has a life span of 24 hours.
A goldfish has a memory span of three seconds.
A “jiffy” is an actual unit of time for 1/100th of a second.
A shark is the only fish that can blink with both eyes.
A snail can sleep for three years.
Al Capone’s business card said he was a used furniture dealer.
All 50 states are listed across the top of the Lincoln Memorial on the back of the $5 bill.
Almonds are a member of the peach family.
An ostrich’s eye is bigger than its brain.
Babies are born without kneecaps. They don’t appear until the child reaches 2 to 6 years of age.
Butterflies taste with their feet.
Cats have over one hundred vocal sounds. Dogs only have about 10.
"Dreamt" is the only English word that ends in the letters “mt”.
February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full moon.
In the last 4,000 years, no new animals have been domesticated.
If the population of China walked past you, in single file, the line would never end because of the rate of reproduction.
If you are an average American, in your whole life, you will spend an average of 6 months waiting at red lights. It’s impossible to sneeze with your eyes open.
Leonardo Da Vinci invented the scissors.
Maine is the only state whose name is just one syllable.
No word in the English language rhymes with month, orange, silver, or purple.
On a Canadian two dollar bill, the flag flying over the Parliament building is an American flag.
Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing.
Peanuts are one of the ingredients of dynamite.
Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.
"Stewardesses" is the longest word typed with only the left hand and “lollipop” with your right.
The average person’s left hand does 56% of the typing.
The cruise liner, QE2, moves only six inches for each gallon of diesel that it burns.
The microwave was invented after a researcher walked by a radar tube and a chocolate bar melted in his pocket.
The winter of 1932 was so cold that Niagara Falls froze completely solid.
The words ‘racecar,’ ‘kayak’ and ‘level’ are palindromes, are the same whether they are spelled backwards or forwards.
There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.
There are more chickens than people in the world.
There are only four words in the English language which end in “dous”: tremendous, horrendous, stupendous, and hazardous.
There’s no Betty Rubble in the Flintstones Chewables Vitamins.
Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur.
Winston Churchill was born in a ladies’ room during a dance.
Women blink nearly twice as much as men.(8298)
Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every two weeks; otherwise it will digest itself.

REMINDER: Check the Local website periodically for messages.
http://uaw1950.nmu.edu/

In November and December we contributed 20 inkjets to Redeemer’s youth program. The total is now 220. Thanks.
Picture from 1954 Popular Mechanics Magazine.... read the caption and marvel.

Aren’t you glad technology advanced much more than anticipated in 1954?

Each issue of the Flame contains a 4 digit number of the member’s choosing. This month there are 5 hidden in the newsletter. If you see your number, call Rita Leppanen@2495, who will issue a check to you June Nelson, Bill Kiple, Randy Kreig, Kelly Dore, and Carol Schritzinger were in the December issue.

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By following the simple advice I heard on a Dr. Phil show, I have finally found inner peace. Dr. Phil proclaimed “The way to achieve inner peace is to finish all the things you’ve started.”

I looked around my house to see all the things I started and hadn’t finished. So, before leaving the house this morning, I finished off a bottle of Merlot, a bottle of White Zinfandel, a bottle of Bailey’s, a bottle of Kahlua, a package of Oreo’s, the remainder of both Prozac and Valium (8613) prescriptions, the rest of the cheesecake, some saltines, and a box of chocolates.

You have no idea how good I feel. Please pass this on to those you feel are in need of inner peace.