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MDHHS receives \$25 million from CARES Act; Funds will help aging residents during pandemic

LANSING, MICH. Michigan will help its aging adults stay healthy and live independently with nearly \$25.3 million received from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Among other things, the CARES Act provides supplemental funding for programs authorized by the Older Americans Act of 1965. Michigan will spend its money supporting residents aged 60 and over served by Older Americans Act programs. These programs provide a wide range of services, such as help with bathing and dressing, rides to doctors' offices, education on managing chronic illnesses, support for family caregivers, and much more.

Provided by a network of community-based organizations – such as Area Agencies on Aging, local community and senior centers, faith-based organizations, Commissions and Councils on Aging, and other nonprofit service providers – these programs help millions of older adults stay healthy and continue living independently.

Funding has been provided to states, territories, and tribes for subsequent allocation to local Area Agencies on Aging. Grant amounts are determined based on the population-based formulas defined in the Older Americans Act.

"The need for these services has increased as community measures to slow

transmission of COVID-19 have closed locations where many people typically receive services making it difficult for families to assist loved ones who live alone," said Dr. Alexis Travis, senior deputy director of Aging & Adult Services Agency within the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. "In addition, the adaptations necessary to provide these services in the current environment have increased costs to service providers. We are thankful these additional dollars are now available to serve older Michiganders."

The aging network supported by these programs are delivering meals, ensuring safe transitions home following hospitalizations, and pro-

viding other essential services to older Michiganders during this challenging time.

The CARES Act funding coming to Michigan includes:
 - \$633,406 to support State Long-Term Care Ombudsman programs in providing consumer advocacy services for residents of long-term care facilities. Restrictions on visitation have significantly increased demand for ombudsman services as families seek assistance in ensuring the well-being of their loved ones. Ombudsman programs will expand their virtual presence to residents and their families, and continue to promote the health, safety welfare, and rights of residents in the context of COVID-19. This funding will help with hiring

additional staff and purchasing additional technology, associated hardware, and personal protective equipment for use once in-person visits resume.

- \$15,201,736 for home-delivered meals for older adults. Meal providers can also expand "drive-through" or "grab-and-go" meals for older adults who typically would participate in meal programs at community centers and other locations that have been closed due to social distancing measures.

- \$6,334,057 for home and community-based services, which will help more older adults shelter in place to minimize exposure to COVID-19. These include personal care assistance, help with house-

hold chores and grocery shopping, transportation to essential services when necessary, and case management.

- \$3,099,016 to expand a range of services that help family and informal caregivers provide support to loved ones at home. These include counseling, respite care, training and connecting people to information.

For more information about these programs, contact your local area agency on aging. A list of area agencies on aging is available at www.Michigan.gov/AASA.

Information around the COVID-19 outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at Michigan.gov/Coronavirus and CDC.gov/Coronavirus.

SAU student uses 3D printer to help fight coronavirus

JACKSON, MICHIGAN – SAU freshman electrical engineering student Noah Waldron is using his talents and education to make a difference for those on the front lines of the fight against COVID-19. Making use of the 3D printer he created in his first year of the engineering program at SAU, Noah has printed more than 300 plastic headbands, which modify face masks to increase comfort, for the healthcare staff at Henry Ford Allegiance Health.

Noah's mother works for Henry Ford Allegiance Health. Like many other medical professionals, she and her coworkers feel the pressure of trying

to stay safe while caring for patients.

"My mom brought up an issue of the masks not fitting securely to the face and mentioned how they put a lot of pressure on the ears," says Noah. "Sending some examples, she asked if I could create a headband that addressed these issues to make the mask-wearing experience more comfortable."

While other bands are crocheted or sewn and feature buttons around which ear loops can be hooked, the bands Noah makes are unique to his particular interests. Produced on his 3D printer, they are made of black, flexible plastic

and feature notches on each end that allow the wearer to personalize the fit of their mask. Noah's first batch was small, only 10 bands, which his mother quickly handed out. The next batch was much larger, and it wouldn't be his last. Noah shares that, despite their lengthy printing process (about five hours for nine bands) he plans to keep printing the bands so long as they are needed.

"The staff at the hospital are working hard to keep us safe in the fight against COVID-19," says Noah. "Printing the headbands is one small way that I can use my skills and resources to give back."

According to Ron DeLap, dean of the School of Engineering at SAU, all freshmen in the program are required to build a 3D printer for use during their time in the department. When Noah built his printer, he never expected to use it to fight a worldwide pandemic just months later. That all changed in mid-March when COVID-19 began to shut down all but the most essential services.

"I had no clue I would be helping out in such a major way," says Noah. "I originally expected to only use the printer for projects and parts we designed in class."

Noah's first year of college may not have gone as planned, but he feels he's making the most of it. "If I can't be at school, it feels good to be helping my mom and her staff," he says.

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Jackson County law enforcement agencies record video memorial to honor fallen officers



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Jackson County law enforcement comes together every May for a memorial service that honors local officers who have died in the line of duty. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, this year's public memorial planned for Wednesday, May 6 was canceled. To make sure these sacrifices did not go unnoticed, Jackson County law enforcement agencies collaborated on a video memorial.

The agencies worked with the Jackson Police Department and City of Jackson communi-

cations team to create a video memorial. The six minute video starts and ends with a message from Elmer Hitt, director of Jackson's Police and Fire Services. The majority of the video was recorded at the Police and Fire Memorial in Horace Blackman Park. It contains a flag presentation from the honor guard, reading of the names of fallen and retired officers, ceremonial wreath, and gun salute. The video also shows footage of officers from every law enforcement agency in Jackson County. The video is

available to view on the City's website and social media platforms of Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube.

Director Hitt says he's encouraged to see the county's law enforcement working together during these difficult times. "Recording a video was the best way to keep the community safe and still remember our fallen officers. We hope to be back next year with a public memorial service. Until then, we encourage the community to do what they can to stay safe and stop the spread of COVID-19," Hitt said.

The following law enforcement agencies participated in the video memorial:

- Jackson Police Department
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- Springport Township Police Department
- Columbia Township Police Department
- Michigan State Police
- Spring Arbor Township Police

Senators call for efficient contact tracing to limit spread of the coronavirus

WASHINGTON, DC – U.S. Senators Gary Peters and Debbie Stabenow this week called on congressional leaders to include \$8 billion in new funding for contact tracing initiatives in the next congressional coronavirus response package. Infectious disease experts argue that robust contact tracing programs are key to stopping the spread of the virus and safely reopening the economy. The funding would be used to help states and localities recruit, hire, and train contact tracers and deploy voluntary digital tools that can integrate data to quickly alert people who have crossed paths with a newly diagnosed COVID-19 patient.

"As the initial wave of COVID-19 cases recedes, it is critical that we are better pre-

pared for a potential second wave as social distancing and closure guidelines begin to be relaxed," the Senators wrote. "Precision contact tracing can mitigate major outbreaks by identifying those most at risk and alerting them to help limit further infections. As such, additional resources are needed to create a training pipeline for a national network of well-qualified contact tracers across the country."

In order to begin to safely relax stay-at-home orders for communities nationwide, public health experts suggest the U.S. needs hundreds of thousands of contact tracers working to track the spread of the virus. Contact tracers are a combination of disease detectives and social workers who can swiftly track down

and alert individuals who may have come into contact with an infected patient in order to request they self-isolate and seek treatment, if necessary. Public health and infectious disease experts have urged Congress to provide at least \$7.6 billion in its next emergency supplemental bill to expand the number of disease investigation specialists and contact tracers.

Peters and Stabenow helped secure \$25 billion to increase coronavirus testing capacity and early contact tracing initiatives in the recently passed Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act. However, contact tracing at the state level has been uneven to date, and the senators are now calling for a coordinated strategy with the resources to match.

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Study finds nearly everyone who recovers from COVID-19 makes coronavirus antibodies

by Dr. Francis Collins
National Institute of Health

There's been a lot of excitement about the potential of antibody-based blood tests, also known as serology tests, to help contain the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. There's also an awareness that more research is needed to determine when—or even if—people infected with SARS-CoV-2, the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19, produce antibodies that may protect them from re-infection.

A recent study in Nature Medicine brings much-needed clarity, along with renewed enthusiasm, to efforts to develop and implement widescale antibody testing for SARS-CoV-2. Antibodies are blood proteins produced by the immune sys-

tem to fight foreign invaders like viruses, and may help to ward off future attacks by those same invaders.

In their study of blood drawn from 285 people hospitalized with severe COVID-19, researchers in China, led by Ai-Long Huang, Chongqing Medical University, found that all had developed SARS-CoV-2 specific antibodies within two to three weeks of their first symptoms. Although more follow-up work is needed to determine just how protective these antibodies are and for how long, these findings suggest that the immune systems of people who survive COVID-19 have been primed to recognize SARS-CoV-2 and possibly thwart a second infection.

Specifically, the research-

ers determined that nearly all of the 285 patients studied produced a type of antibody called IgM, which is the first antibody that the body makes when fighting an infection. Though only about 40 percent produced IgM in the first week after onset of COVID-19, that number increased steadily to almost 95 percent two weeks later. Some of these patients also produced a type of antibody called IgG. While IgG often appears a little later after acute infection, it has the potential to confer sustained immunity.

To confirm their results, the researchers turned to another group of 69 people diagnosed with COVID-19. The researchers collected blood samples from each person upon admission to the hospital and every

three days thereafter until discharge. The team found that, with the exception of one woman and her daughter, the patients produced specific antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 within 20 days of their first symptoms of COVID-19.

Meanwhile, innovative efforts are being made on the federal level to advance COVID-19 testing. The NIH just launched the Rapid Acceleration of Diagnostics (RADx) Initiative to support a variety of research activities aimed at improving detection of the virus. As I recently highlighted on this blog, one key component of RADx is a "shark tank"-like competition to encourage science and engineering's most inventive minds to develop rapid, easy-to-use technologies to test for the presence of

SARS-CoV-2.

On the serology testing side, the NIH's National Cancer Institute has been checking out kits that are designed to detect antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 and have found mixed results. In response, the Food and Drug Administration just issued its updated policy on antibody tests for COVID-19. This guidance sets forth precise standards for laboratories and commercial manufacturers that will help to speed the availability of high-quality antibody tests, which in turn will expand the capacity for rapid and widespread testing in the United States.

Finally, it's important to keep in mind that there are two different types of SARS-CoV-2 tests. Those that test for the presence of viral nucleic

acid or protein are used to identify people who are acutely infected and should be immediately quarantined. Tests for IgM and/or IgG antibodies to the virus, if well-validated, indicate a person has previously been infected with COVID-19 and is now potentially immune. Two very different types of tests—two very different meanings.

There's still a way to go with both virus and antibody testing for COVID-19. But as this study and others begin to piece together the complex puzzle of antibody-mediated immunity, it will be possible to learn more about the human body's response to SARS-CoV-2 and home in on our goal of achieving safe, effective, and sustained protection against this devastating disease.

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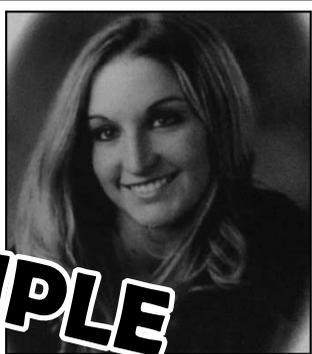
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Kid-Friendly Creativity in the Kitchen

(Family Features) While so many families spend more time at home than normal, many may be seeking ways to increase fun and activity, especially for children. One way to increase engagement while teaching lifelong lessons is to head to the kitchen for a

learning exercise in creating nutritious snacks and treats.

Consider these creative ways you can get your kids involved in the kitchen:

Look for simple recipes kids can help create. Logically, the first step in the process is to focus on in-

gredients and instructions that aren't overly complicated. For example, avoid snacks that call for cutting with knives and instead try a recipe like these Frosted Watermelon Cutouts, which involves kid-friendly cookie cutters.

Be flexible. Another way to involve children is to let them help in the meal-planning routine. Because kids' desired tastes may differ from your own, be open to outside-the-box ideas like breakfast for dinner, nutritious snacks for lunch and fruit for dessert.

Take advantage of nutritious produce. Comprised of 92% water to support hydration, an option like watermelon is a source of vitamin C and other important nutrients. At only 80 calories per 2-cup serving, one watermelon provides up to three dozen servings that can be used in a variety of nutritious family recipes, and 100% of the fruit is usable between the flesh, juice and rind. For example, this recipe for Kids Watermelon Sandwich Cookies provides a sweet treat the whole family can enjoy while calling for just a few ingredients.

Visit watermelon.org for more creative ways to use the whole watermelon, including recipes and kid-friendly carvings.

Craft a Fun, Frozen Fruit Using leftovers can make for a fun way to avoid food waste. For example, if you have extra watermelon, simply cut into 1/2-1-inch wedges and insert clean crafting sticks into the center of the rind. Put them in the freezer for at least 1

hour to create sweet watermelon ice pops.

Kids Watermelon Sandwich Cookies

Recipe courtesy of the National Watermelon Promotion Board

Servings: 6
12 blueberry pancakes (3-inch round), cooled to room temperature
1/2 cup white frosting
6 seedless watermelon slices (2/3-inch thick, 3-inch round), drained to remove excess moisture

Evenly frost bottom of each pancake with white frosting. Arrange six pancakes frosting side up on serving platter. Place one slice watermelon on each frosted pancake.

Top each with remaining pancakes, frosting side down. Serve immediately or cover and refrigerate until ready to serve.

Frosted Watermelon Cutouts

Recipe courtesy of the National Watermelon Promotion Board

1 seedless watermelon, cut into 1/2-3/4-inch thick slices
1 serving vanilla yogurt
1 serving granola or similar cereal

Using cookie cutters, cut shapes out of watermelon slices. Or, if preferred, use classic cut watermelon wedges.

Frost each slice with yogurt. Sprinkle with granola.



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2019 VILLAGE OF CONCORD ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

The Village of Concord strives to produce the best quality drinking water possible. The purpose of this report is to provide you with information about your drinking water. The report explains to you where your water comes from. The report also lists all of the contaminants detected in your water and an explanation of any violations in the past year.

Your drinking water comes from four groundwater wells located in the Village of Concord. Well #1 is 107 feet deep; well #3 is 270 feet deep and well #4 is 266 feet deep. Each of these wells draws water from the Upper Grand River watershed. The State performed an assessment of our source water in 2003 to determine the susceptibility or the relative potential of contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a seven-tiered scale from "very-low" to "very-high" based primarily on geologic sensitivity, water chemistry and contaminant sources. The susceptibility of our source is "high." There are no known potential contamination sources within the Village's standard isolation area for the wells. The Village's water is obtained from an aquifer that is characterized as "unconfined." Unconfined aquifers are characterized geologically as "sensitive." We have completed the Jackson County Wellhead Protection Program and have capped all abandon wells in our aquifer.

Since July 27, 2006 we have been disinfecting our water with chlorine, based on the recommendation from the DEQ. To ensure quality drinking water we try to hold a residual of two tenths (0.2) in the distribution system.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about the contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 or the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality at 1-517-780-7840.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of the infection of Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children.

Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Village of Concord is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

The Village of Concord's water supply comes from groundwater. As water travels through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. These include:

- * Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacterial, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, livestock and wildlife.
- * Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be natural or may result from storm runoff, wastewater discharges, oil and gas production and farming.
- * Organic chemicals, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also originate from gas stations, storm runoff and septic systems.
- * Radioactive substances, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
- * Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff, and residential uses.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems.

2019 WATER QUALITY DATA

Each year, the Village is required to sample the drinking water for various contaminants. The table below lists all contaminants that were detected in 2017. The state allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than annually because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to change frequently. The most recent results of these tests are included in the table. All violations are printed in bold, and an explanation of any violation is provided.

Terms and Abbreviations:

- * **Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as possible using the best available treatment technology.
- * **Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is not a known or expected health risk.
- * **Maximum Residual Disinfection Level (MRDL):** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contamination.
- * **Maximum Residual Disinfection Level Goal (MRDLG):** The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants
- * **Action Level (AC):** The concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements, which a water system must follow.
- * **pCi/L:** picocuries per liter
- * **N/A:** not applicable
- * **ND:** not detected
- * **ppb:** parts per billion or micrograms per liter (ug/L)
- * **ppm:** parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Concord's Water	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
Inorganic Contaminants							
Arsenic (ppb)*	10	5	0.008	0.005-0.008	07/25/17	None	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.16	0.12-0.16	08/01/19	None	Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (ppm)	10	10	0.7	n/d-0.7	08/01/19	None	Run off from fertilizer use
Unregulated Inorganic Contaminants¹							
Chloride (ppm)	N/A	N/A	26	25-26	08/01/19	None	Natural in ground water
Hardness (ppm)	N/A	N/A	302	289-302	08/01/19	None	Natural in ground water
Iron (ppm)	N/A	N/A	0.5	0.3-0.5	08/01/19	None	Natural in ground water
Sodium (ppm)	N/A	N/A	12	9-12	08/01/19	None	Natural in ground water
Sulfate (ppm)	N/A	N/A	24	15-24	08/01/19	None	Natural in ground water
Lead and Copper Monitoring at Consumer's Tap²							
Lead (ppb)	AL=15	0	6	0 out of 10 sites were above the action level	7/25/17	None	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3	0.3	0.3	0 out of 10 sites were above the action level	7/25/17	None	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Total Trihalomethane (ppb)	80	0.0061	n/a	n/a	08/01/19	None	Chlorine byproduct
Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	60	N/D	n/a	n/a	08/01/19	None	Chlorine byproduct
Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Concord's Water	Range of Detections	Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
Microbial Contamination							
Total Coliforms	0	0	0 samples showed detections		2019	None	Naturally present in the environment

*Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

1. There are no MCL's associated with unregulated contaminants. Monitoring of unregulated contaminants helps the EPA to determine whether there is a need to regulate these contaminants.

2. Lead and Copper results lists the number of samples that exceeded the action level, rather than the range detected.

The Village of Concord had **NO** violations.

The village of Concord water is in compliance with all Federal and State requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

The CCR will not be mailed. A copy can be picked up at the village office.

If you would like more information about your water, please call DPW Director Jason Blossom at the Village Office at 517-524-8534 or by mail at P.O. Box 306 Concord, Michigan 49237 or by e-mail at office@villageofconcord.com. The Village's website is: villageofconcord.com.

The Village Council of Concord meets at 7:00 PM on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, in the Village Office at 110 Hanover Street. Please feel free to come and participate.

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HISTORICAL NOTEBOOK

by Frank Passic
Albion Historian



HI-SPEED GAS STATION

One of Albion's memorable gas stations was the Hi-Speed Gas Station, located on the northeast corner of N. Superior St. and E. Michigan Avenue. Today this is the site of the Citgo gas station/PS Food Mart. This has always been a valuable piece of strategically-located property. In the late 19th century it was the lumberyard of the Parmelee & Sons Planing Mill. Following that, entrepreneur Charles Calhoun Blakeley (1852-1935) purchased the property and began laying foundations for a proposed 10-story hotel. That never saw fruition.

Local businessmen Daniel McAuliffe, Edwin Mounteer, Arthur G. Noble, and Harry R. Richards formed the Albion

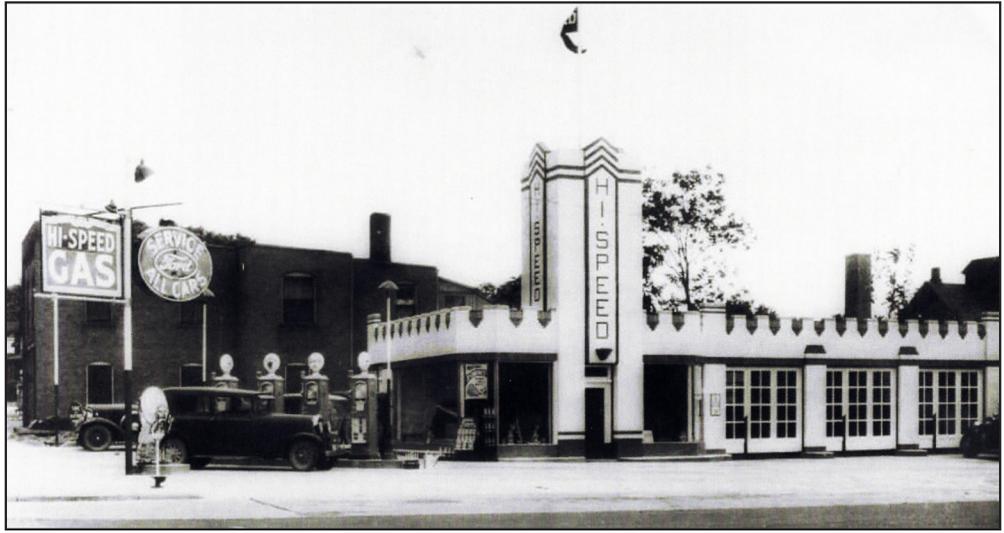
Garage Sales agency in 1914. They constructed a new brick building on the aforementioned corner, using foundations already laid by Charles Blakeley for his ill-fated hotel project. This firm sold Overland automobiles here throughout the 1910s.

Harry Richards eventually became full owner of the company, which was dissolved in 1921. The Albion Motor Sales replaced it, owned by Richards and a variety of partners. This firm became Albion's Ford dealership. In 1935 it moved across the street to 112 E. Michigan Avenue, in the former Reo garage building. The 1914-erected Overland building was demolished in early 1935 and a Hi-Speed service

station was erected in its place.

The Hi-Speed service stations was a chain that operated in Michigan and Ohio, owned by the Hickok Oil Company of Toledo, Ohio. The iconic signature design of all Hi-Speed stations was a high white-glazed brick column tower at the front corner of the building, with the words "HI-SPEED" running vertically down. Albion's Hi-Speed station opened in the summer of 1935, with duo addresses of 302 N. Superior St., or 101 E. Michigan Avenue.

A 1935 advertisement in the Centennial edition of the Albion Evening Recorder stated, "One Stop Ford Neighborhood. Super Hi-Speed Station Offering Complete One Stop Service. Al Smith and Ray Gardner in Charge." The 1937 and 1939 Albion City Directories list Don Pickens (Pickens's Hi-Speed Service) here, featuring "Super Service, washing, greasing, tires, accessories, batteries." The 1941 Directory lists William D. Slaughter (Slaughter's Hi-Speed Service) as "leasee," while the 1944 Directory lists Max Richards and



Maurice Cuyler as operating the place.

The Pure Oil Company acquired ownership of the Hi-Speed stations in 1945, and eventually renamed the stations as simply "Pure" during the mid-1950s. The 1948 and 1951 Directories list Maurice Cuyler as the proprietor; Kenneth Sykes is listed beginning with 1953. The name "Hi-Speed" is gone from the 1955

Directory and just "Syke's Service" is listed. "Pure Oil Company, 101 E. Michigan Avenue" is added in the 1957 listing. We'll stop the history there.

From our Historical Notebook this week we present a photograph of Albion's Hi-Speed Gas Station with its classic design. This photo must have been taken around 1935 when the station was first erected. Notice that the "Ser-

vice All Cars" with the Ford emblem still remained in place from the era when this location was Albion's Ford dealership. There are also three "stalls" on the right to service autos, and four gas pumps in front. This Hi-Speed gas station was eventually demolished in the 1960s to make way for a new Pure Oil Company station. How many of our readers remember this gas station in Albion?

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Questions & Answers About Our Environment

From the Editors of E/The Environmental Magazine

Dear EarthTalk: I've heard that Sweden incinerates most of its trash. Why don't we do more of this in the U.S., given that we're running out of landfill space?

-- Oscar Gentry, New Bern, NC

Sweden does burn the vast majority of its trash—only one percent of the country's waste ends up in landfills—and even makes a profit by importing trash from neighboring countries to process in its high-efficiency, low emission incinerators. And it makes a lot of sense, given the huge toll landfills take on the environment, leaking liquids into surrounding soils and polluting groundwater while sending huge amounts of methane, a potent greenhouse gas, into the atmosphere.

Burning waste in an uncontrolled setting is undeniably terrible for the environment, given the huge load of carbon dioxide, dioxin and volatile organic compounds sent skyward. But in a modern waste incineration facility, excess gases leftover after the trash is burned undergo a thorough filtering and scrubbing process that complies with stringent environmental standards (delineated in the Clean Air Act here in the U.S. and by even stricter rules across the European Union). Furthermore, incinerating trash reduces its volume by 87 percent, which directly translates to an equivalent reduction in the amount of space required for landfills.

At this point, much of the world has adopted waste-to-energy (WTE) technologies, with almost 800 facilities around the world. In the EU, there are about 400 WTE facilities currently in operation. In the U.S., however, there are only 77. This is somewhat surprising, especially given that landfills are America's third largest methane emitter. Additionally, America is one of the largest waste producers in the world, both as a nation, and per capita. Why not convert all this waste into energy?

But WTE has faced many stumbling blocks in the U.S. Public stigma against WTE has played a significant role in preventing widespread adoption of this technology here. It seems Americans just can't accept the idea that burning trash could actually be a good thing for the environment or public health. While this attitude is understandable, it would likely fall apart if more of us knew the facts.

Another issue for WTE in the U.S. is economics. In Europe and other countries, WTE plants receive government funding, and landfilling rates are often higher. In the U.S, it is still often cheaper to landfill waste than to turn it into energy.

However, WTE could still have a future in America. In many areas where landfill rates are expensive, WTE is increasingly looking like a promising solution. If these rates continue to rise, and the government decides to reallocate some of its funding, we might be seeing more WTE plants come online before long.

More data coming in from other countries about the benefits they're deriving from WTE operations could also accelerate this adoption process. Finally, advances in scrubbing and cleaning technologies will likely reduce the negative impact of incineration even more.

You can help facilitate the transition to WTE by encouraging local officials to consider it as a viable option for expanding waste management capacity given the shrinking amount of landfill space available to municipalities everywhere and lack of other good options for getting rid of our garbage.

CONTACTS: "Canada produces the most waste in the world. The U.S. ranks third," www.usatoday.com/story/money/2019/07/12/canada-united-states-worlds-biggest-producers-of-waste/39534923/; "Ethiopia has an innovative power plant that turns waste to energy," youtube.com/watch?v=K2SBjf100HU.

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