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### Fall Forecast

**Thu** Snow showers. High 34. Light W wind becoming WSW9 to 14 in the morning. Gusts 23. Chance of precipitation is 90%. Snow accumulation less than one inch.

**Thu Night** Snow showers. Low 20. Chance of precipitation 80%. Snow accumulation less than a half inch.

**Fri** Snow showers. Mostly cloudy, high 27. Chance of precipitation 70%.

**Fri Night** Snow showers. Mostly cloudy, low 14.

**Sat** Snow showers. Mostly cloudy, high 25.

**Sat Night** Chance of snow showers. Mostly cloudy, low 13.

**Sun** Chance of snow showers. Partly sunny, high 26.

**Sun Night** Mostly cloudy, low 14.

**Mon** Partly sunny, high 30.



## Veterans Day 2022 in Lakeview



Local veterans and a few family members enjoying a Veterans Day breakfast at McKenna's Restaurant compliments of VFW Post 3701

By Linda Huckins

The Hough/Pontius VFW 3701 in Lakeview honored local veterans on November 11 with a 9 a.m. breakfast at McKenna's Restaurant. November 11 was Veterans Day, a day set aside each year to honor all men and women who have served in our military.

Following the breakfast at 11:00 a.m., VFW 3701 held a Veterans Day ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Dead in Lakeview Cemetery. The day and time are significant. On November 11, 1918 at 11:00 a.m., the Armistice was signed ending World War I. The following year, President Woodrow Wilson designated November 11 as Armistice Day. It was later changed to Veterans Day. The first Veterans Day ceremony was held on November 11, 1921 at Arlington National Cemetery and was marked by the burial of the Unknown Soldier.

VFW 3701 Commander, Stacy Roberts, welcomed everyone to this year's ceremony, reminding them that they were

there to honor our service members and to remember the sacrifices they have made to defend and honor our nation.

Post Chaplain, John Wichman opened the ceremony with a prayer.

Roberts said Veterans Day has deep significance. "It is a day that we recognize and honor the millions of soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines, Coast Guard, Guardsmen and service men and women who answered when their nation called."

She added that service members come from all walks of life but share several fundamental qualities, such as courage, pride, determination, selflessness, dedication to duty and integrity. We have been gathering for over 100 years each Veterans Day to remember, to honor and pay gratitude to those who have served our country and continue to serve.

"It is important that we take time to thank those who have worn, or continue to wear, the uniform of our great country and to the family members who stand just as strong at

home.

She explained that there is a common bond that exists between the men and women who have shared the military experience. They assumed all the risks associated with maintaining our freedoms and deserve our respect.

"Today, and every day, we must take the opportunity to keep alive the memories, sacrifices, and accomplishments of our nation's veterans," Roberts said.

VFW 3701 Auxiliary President Linda Huckins briefly spoke about how every generation of Americans owes a debt of gratitude to our more than 41 million veterans and service members who have served or are currently serving our country and safeguarding America's interest.

She added that our country is like no other in history. It was founded not on tribalism or classism but with a rare and unique opportunity to disagree, to worship and to express oneself without fear.

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VFW 3701 Chaplain John Wichman and Commander Stacy Roberts

## Veterans Memorial Dedicated



John Grawburg addressing the approximately 75 people who attended the dedication.

Photo by Cora Grawburg

By Linda Huckins

It was seven long years in the planning, but on Friday, November 11, 2022, the Veterans Memorial in Lakeview was dedicated. What a beautiful way to end Veterans Day!

The memorial was the brainchild of Bill Helmer, John Grawburg, Kathy Grawburg, and the late Dave Remus.

"We noticed that other communities had a Veterans Memorial," John Grawburg said, "and we wondered why Lakeview didn't have one." Instead of just wondering, the friends decided to do something about it.

It took a lot of planning, including securing a location, getting permission from the village and fundraising. But it was all worth it.

The memorial is beautiful and the American flag that flies above it welcomes residents and visitors to the village.

John Grawburg, who is a Vietnam Veteran, said that their goal was to create a place that reminded people of veterans and their sacrifices; a place where they could come to remember and say, "thank you."

At the dedication, Lakeview Village Manager Darin Dood said that the village was happy to make a location to re-

member those who served and their loved ones. He thanked the community for their support as well as the Village Council.

"We are blessed to have this memorial," he said. "I am proud. It just goes to show what people coming together can do."

Grawburg reminded us that not all veterans come home whole. Some return broken in body, mind, or spirit and when they come home, they don't get support and respect.

"This memorial is a place for people to say, 'Thank You. You are appreciated.' It is a healing place; a place to tell stories," he said. "It is where the community can show support for servicemen."

Kathy Barnes from the Blue Star Mothers (BSM) thanked John on behalf of the organization saying, "I am happy to have come along side John and watched this happen. We need to take care of our troops," she said.

She and other BSM members had set the POW/MIA table to the side of the memorial representing Americans held as prisoners of war or who are missing in action. It is also called the Missing Man Table. They are never to be forgotten.

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## Veterans Day 2022 in Lakeview



Waiting for the Veterans Day ceremony to begin.

ing in the wind, the ceremony closed with a three-rifle salute and the playing of Taps.

Chaplain Wichman gave the benediction.

“As we leave here today,” Roberts said, “I hope we are inspired by the deeds and accomplishments of patriots past and present. I hope this motivation will help lead us into a brighter future, armed with a renewed sense of patriotism and purpose. Please know that your show of support for our local veterans does not go unnoticed.”

Later that evening, the newly installed Veterans Memorial in Lakeview was dedicated. See the article in this issue about the dedication.

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“Freedom and liberty are the birthright of every American, but we have had to fight for it,” she said.

“... without the sacrifice of our veterans, tyrants and evil would prevail. Throughout our history and among our veterans, there is but one truth and

absolute: America will always stand.”

With hands raised in a salute or placed over hearts and heads raised to the American flags blow-

## Veterans Memorial Dedicated



A light illuminates the memorial at night. Photo by Cora Grawburg

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Each item on the table has significance. Barnes read the meaning of each item.

\*The white tablecloth draped over the table represents the purity of their response to our country's call to arms.

\*The empty chair depicts an unknown face, representing no specific soldier,

sailor, airman, or Marine, but all who are not here with us.

\*The table itself is round to show that our concern for them is never ending.

\*The Bible represents faith in a higher power and the pledge to our country founded as one nation under God.

\*The black napkin stands for the emptiness these

warriors have left in the hearts of their families and friends.

\*The single red rose reminds us of their families and loved ones. The red ribbon represents the love of our country, which inspired them to answer the nation's call.

\*The yellow candle and its yellow ribbon symbolize the everlasting hope for a joyous reunion with those yet unaccounted for.

\*The slices of lemon on the bread plate remind us of their bitter fate.

\*The salt upon the bread plate represents the tears of their families.

\*The wine glass, turned upside down, reminds us that our distinguished comrades cannot be with us to drink a toast or join the festivities of the evening.

VFW 3701 Commander Stacy Roberts reminded attendees to honor every man and woman who wore or is wearing the uniform. She said, “Each time you pass by this memorial, notice the flag and reflect [on the sacrifices of

our servicemen and women and our freedoms].”

An honor guard from post 3701 then rendered a three-rifle salute followed by Dean Gilbert playing “Taps” on the trumpet.

Grawburg said that the Veterans Memorial project will cost \$100,000 by the time it is completely finished. There is cement work and landscaping yet to complete.

Donations of any size are greatly appreciated. Donation containers are located through Lakeview including at the Community First Federal Credit Union. When you make a donation at the credit union, you receive an “I Donated to the Veterans Memorial” pin.

The money raised will go to pay for work already done as well as work yet to be completed.

The Veterans Memorial is a wonderful asset to Lakeview. It is something to be proud of. Thank you Bill Helmer, John and Kathy Grawburg, and Dave Remus for having this vision.



The dedication was held at 6:00 p.m. on November 11, which made picture taking difficult because it was already dark. So, to give you a better idea of the memorial, pictured to the left is a photo of the Veterans Memorial taken during the daylight hours.

The Veterans Memorial is located on Lincoln Avenue in Lakeview just north of Auto Value and in front of Byrne Electric.

### Town Topics

\* The Lakeview Area Ministerial Association held its annual Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 13 at the United Church of Christ.

\* Leppink's Super Market has posted its winter hours: 7 am - 9 pm.

\* Have you noticed? Lakeview Area News has a new sign on its building at 960 S. Lincoln Ave., Suite B. Come and check it out!

## Home Township Library Story Hour



November 10 at story hour we read the book, *The Itsy Bitsy Pilgrim* by Jeffrey Burton.

We also made Pilgrim and Indian bag puppets.

Pictured from left to right: William Jordan, Bailey, and Hannah Snyder.

## WINFIELD TOWNSHIP Special Meeting November 12, 2022

Meeting called to order and open with the Pledge by Supervisor Phyllis Larson, November 12, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. Members present: Supervisor Phyllis Larson, Clerk Colleen Stebbins, Treasurer Cathy Killinger, Trustee John Black, Trustee Steve Cole.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Motion by Steve Cole second by Cathy Killinger to approve the agenda, voice vote, motion passed.

Phyllis Larson: I am calling this special meeting to pay the bills and to approve the minutes. We need to make a motion to remove Colleen's name and her Deputy 'Kim's name from all accounts at Mercantile Bank. I am sorry for the confusion with the cancellation of Thursday night's meeting. I was not going to have a quorum. I was, also, not ready. I mistakenly scheduled it for Thursday morning. I canceled it. I then scheduled it for Friday evening at 6 p.m. Ryan said I couldn't because of Veterans' Day. I canceled another meeting only to find out from 3 Attorneys that I could have had it on Friday. Thursday night at 5 p.m. I posted the special meeting for Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m. Sorry for the confusion, it is all on me.

CLERK'S REPORT: Motion by Steve Cole second by Cathy Killinger to approve the minutes as read, voice vote, motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Fire Department \$95,103.22, General Checking \$164,043.59, Tax Account \$20,429.08 Building Fund \$ 150,546.93, ARPA Fund \$237,950.44 for a total of \$668,073.23, stands a read.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairman George Hubbard reported on perk test taken and the cost of the permit was \$195.00. He thanked the 7 members for all the good work completed this far.

BANK ACCOUNTS: Motion by Cathy Killinger second by Steve Cole to remove Colleen Stebbins and Kim Stebbins names from all Winfield Township Bank Accounts at Mercantile Bank, voice vote, motion passed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Motion by Steve Cole second by Cathy Killinger to pay check numbers 4537 through check number 4577 plus IRS deposit of \$1,453.54, for a total of \$22,876.01, roll call: Cathy Killinger yes, John Black yes, Steve Cole yes, Colleen Stebbins yes, Phyllis Larson yes, motion passed.

BOARD COMMENTS: Cathy Killinger: None

John Black: Thanked everyone for all the support, I tried to make the

best decisions I could. I guess I'll be moving into my next chapter of my life.

Steve Cole: People aren't going like what I'm going to say but I'm ashamed of the township for being torn up. Hope the township can heal.

Colleen Stebbins: Thanks for all the support I had for the past 30 years this November. Special thanks to my Election Inspectors all these years, they are a wonderful and special people. Thanks to Krystal Hatfield for running the election for me, she did a great job and I have a good friend. The township is audited every 2 years so I have completed and passed 15 State audits and 3 State Election audits, thanks to the election inspectors.

Phyllis Larson: Best wished to those who opposed us and to the Township.

Ryan told me the Thursday that the new board will not rent the Hall out for public use. I have canceled the Rental for the 19th. I have informed the 4-H Winfield Hustlers, that they will no longer be able to use the hall after 50-plus years of using the hall for meetings. I do have one request, that the new Board will honor the rental for Thanksgiving Day.

A Gentleman called in October to rent the for his family's Thanksgiving Dinner. November 7, he met me at the park, signed the Rental Agreement and paid the money. I am asking that you honor this rental agreement as it is too late to find another place now. By the time the votes are certified, and you are sworn in and you have a public meeting to make a motion to not rent the hall, it will be too late for them to make other arrangements. They are not related to me or any other Board member here. I will be willing to open the hall on Thanksgiving morning and close when they are done in the afternoon unless you change the locks before then.

We will put any records that we have in the cupboards and lock them in. We have never had any issues with people trying to access the records that are here. If there are too many records and equipments to fit, with your permission we will keep them until Friday the 25th and bring them then. Please allow this family a stress-free Thanksgiving. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Opened at 10:52 a.m. Closed at 11:20 a.m.

John Black Hope the 4-H can continue their meeting.

ADJOURN: Motion by Cathy Killinger second by Steve Cole to adjourn at 11:24 a.m.

Respectfully, Colleen Stebbins

## Kinsey Retort

Dear Readers,

It has been said that everyone talks about the weather, but no one ever does anything about it. That seems like a good theme to address right now. I just saw a truck pull into our parking lot and the front tire slid on the snow. That hasn't happened since last winter. I think we can say that summer is over. When I drove into the office this morning, the ground was bare, but now our lot is white with snow.

Is it true that we can't do anything about the weather? We continue to hear about climate change and the serious problems that it will be causing. We are told we must take drastic steps to counter it. We must all reduce our standard of living, or we will all die. I hear from those on both sides of the debate. Some are convinced that climate change is real, and others are equally convinced that it is not.

Of course, it is true that there is climate change. It has been happening throughout history. The question is whether man is causing it, and is there anything we can do to stop it?

Another question is whether we should want to stop climate change? It has some advantages. For example, if the planet warms, we can farm farther north, which means we can produce more food. Another advantage is that we can have a northwest passage in the Arctic which would be a big bonus for shipping. The downside is that glaciers melting would raise water levels and low land would be under water. However, where the snow and ice melt, land would become usable. There is evidence that sea levels were lower in the past. It is believed that there were land bridges in places like Australia and the Bering Strait. There is evidence in other places that water levels have been higher and lower at different times.

Some are concerned that we will all burn up because of global warming. Actually, that is true in a sense. The Bible tells us that the world will be destroyed by fire. In 2 Peter 3: 10-12 it says,

"But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?"

Yes, there is going to be some major "global warming," but this is a sudden disaster. It will not be a gradual warming over many decades. If we look at the overall temperature of the earth over the last hundred years or so that we have been able to gather the information, we find about a one degree Fahrenheit increase. There has been a slight decrease over the last couple decades. To me this does not call for drastic action.

Another problem I see with those who advocate a major change in lifestyle is that their own projections show that their efforts will only have a minimal effect on the slowing of climate change.

Remember, too, that fossil fuels, which we are told are the main problem, are from things growing on the surface of the earth in the past. By burning fossil fuels we are just putting the carbon back where it belongs.

What shall we conclude? For my part, I will continue to live my life. Let the scientists continue to study the matter. If they come up with something that is helpful, they can let us know. In the meantime I have many useful things to do. We have a newspaper to put out. Some like it, and others don't. Those who like it are the ones who should get it. I will also continue to write my book about justice. I will continue to go to church, read the Bible and care for my family. If you have a better plan, let me know.

Gerald "Jake" Kinsey

## Remember When - Knot Maul and the Election of 1860



### Students at Knot Maul School 1924

Students of the Knot Maul School in 1924. Front row, from left to right: Earl DeGroat, Arthur Behrenwald, Alger Rassmussen, Frederick Faling, Kenneth Bush, Franklin Rentschler. Second row, left to right: Barbara Fontaine, Mildred Taylor, Frances Behrenwald, Dessie Behrenwald, Nova Stine, Lucille Keyt, Winona Faling, Grace Rentschler, Margaret Taylor, Freida Stine. Third row, left to right: Adline Fontaine, Vera Taylor, Velma Taylor, Beatrice Rentschler, Zora Caswell, Orena Faling, Catherine Seeley, Mabel Rentschler, Frances Fontaine. Back row, left to right: Raymond Castle, Roger Zorum, Bruce Smith, Leo Clark (teacher), Orville Behrenwald, Ceil Caswell, Donald Bush. Photo supplied by Mabel Hammel.

By Steve Charnley

With our November elections just past, I was reminded of a story I wrote about the crossroads settlement of Knot Maul, which was located at the junction of M-91 and Almy Road just south of the Village of Lakeview. Its unique name came from another November election, this one in 1860!

It was a presidential election year and the future of our country hung in the balance. The injustice of the institution of slavery was dividing our country and in the newly created Cato Township, emotions were running high. The Democratic Party had split nationally along sectional lines and chose candidates which appealed to each section: Stephen Douglas, a senator from Illinois, for northerners who wanted slavery left to the states to decide (not unlike the Dobbs decision of the Supreme Court in regard to reproductive freedom) and John Breckinridge, the current Vice President from Kentucky, for southerners who wanted to protect the rights of slaveholders. Further mudding the electoral waters, John Bell of Tennessee was running under the banner of the newly created Constitutional Union Party, which sought

to find a compromise between the sectional factions.

Lastly, rounding out the field of presidential contenders and representing the nearly new Republican Party, was a former Representative from Illinois, Abraham Lincoln.

The Republican Party platform, on which Lincoln stood, called for the containment of slavery in the southern states where it existed and the prevention of its spread into the territories. Although not an abolitionist, Lincoln differed from Douglas in considering Blacks to be persons not mere property. This undergirding principle would animate his movement, while president, eventually to champion abolition with the Emancipation Proclamation and place our country on firmer footing for liberty and justice for all.

Meanwhile, in this fateful year of 1860, back in Cato Township, we find a man named Ellsworth Stryker, who since the township's birth in 1857 had served as its clerk. He was an avid abolitionist and saw in Lincoln hope for their cause. These were the days before local politicking was eclipsed by the national media. The battle for the presidency was waged in every village and

hamlet across the nation: people were actively involved, not passively watching the nightly news. It was up to Ellsworth and others like him to persuade their neighbors to vote for Lincoln. He needed something to catch their eye, to fix their attention, to make them remember Abraham Lincoln when the time came to cast their vote. And find something he did!

Ellsworth, with the help from his brothers, Uriah from Coral, and William from Petoskey, found a most unique tree. One record mentions that it came from up near Petoskey, but due to the logistics to move it, I think that it grew nearby. Regardless, the trunk of this tree was about one foot in diameter and rose 15 feet up to a huge knot that swelled the trunk to four times its normal width. They cut down this singular tree, cutting the trunk off just above the knot. Then they stripped off the bark and hauled it home.

Home for Ellsworth was the present corner of Almy Road and M-91, where a cluster of buildings had sprung up along the stagecoach and mail route between Greenville and Big Rapids. This crossroads village was originally called Cato,

named for the township in which it lay (just like the cemetery not far from the corner east on Gates). The settlement had a post office as early as 1857, most likely located in the general store on the corner.

When Ellsworth and his brothers, probably with the help of a horse, had dragged the bare trunk to the crossroads, a circle of onlookers gathered. Can you imagine the curiosity that greeted them? What in the world were the Ellsworth brothers intending to do? A hole was dug into the ground and the trunk was placed into an upright position. There it stood, towering above their heads, like a giant hammer or maul. I don't know if Ellsworth made a speech, but with the crowd at hand, I imagine he did. Everyone who saw it couldn't help but think of the rail splitter from Illinois. Throughout the intervening days before the election, it would be an encouragement to vote for Lincoln.

There were some in Cato who didn't share Ellsworth's enthusiasm for Lincoln. They were probably followers of the "Little Giant," Stephen Douglas. Under the cover of darkness, James Ward, along with his cohorts, crept to the corner and hauled down this big political advertisement. Undaunted, the next morning Ellsworth had it erected again, only to have it knocked down the following night. How many times this happened we aren't told, but undoubtedly it was the focus of conversation at the Cato Post Office and undoubtedly, Ellsworth's determination gained some converts to Lincoln.

In the 1860 census there were only 192 residents in the township. I wish I could figure out which way their vote went. I hope that Lincoln did well in Cato. As we all know, Lincoln won the election of 1860, slavery was contained and after a costly civil war, the nation preserved with a "new birth of freedom."

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## Upcoming Events

### EDMORE

**EDMORE MASONIC**  
pancake breakfast starting up again. Held at 524 E. Forrest in the Masonic hall. October 9th and every second Sunday in November and December from 8 AM to 1 PM. \$10.00 adults, children 12 - 5 half price, under 5 free.

**OLD FENCE RIDER HISTORICAL CENTER**  
The Old Fence Rider Historical Center at 222 Sheldon Rd., is open 7 days per week by appointment only. Arrangements can be made to tour the center by calling Lon, (989) 506-9562.

### GREENVILLE

**FLAT RIVER WATERSHED MEETINGS** are resuming. Next meeting will be at Fairplain Township Hall, 8383 S. Grow Rd, Greenville, MI 48838 on

Monday, November 21st at 6:00 p.m. The hall is about one block off M-57.

### LAKEVIEW

**BOOK CLUB**  
The Shelf Life Book Club meets the 4th Thursday of the month, 5 p.m. at Tamarack District Library.

### LHS DRAMA CLUB

Presents:  
Once Upon a Time: The Trial of Goldilocks  
Come and witness the compelling tale of all your favorite fairy tale characters as they decide once and for all what makes a hero. Tickets are available at the door, or in advance by emailing [friedmand@lakeviewschools.net](mailto:friedmand@lakeviewschools.net).

Performances dates / times:  
November 18-5:30 pm  
7:30 pm  
November 19-2:00 pm  
\*Performances are in the

middle school gym.

### FOOD PANTRY

The Lakeview Food Pantry is open from 12-3 p.m. every Thurs. at the Lakeview Community Church on the corner of M-46 and M-91. Area churches take turns manning the pantry. It is sponsored by the Lakeview Ministerial Assoc.

### FRIENDS OF TDL

The Friends of Tamarack District Library meet on the first Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. at the library.

**LAKEVIEW AREA MUSEUM** will be closed from October through April. For information or if you would like to visit the museum, contact us at 989-352-7304 or [Lakeviewareamuseum@gmail.com](mailto:Lakeviewareamuseum@gmail.com).

### LAMA

is once again hosting the free Christmas Boxes giveaway, which will be held on Tuesday, December 13, from 12-3pm, at the Lakeview Community Church. To sign up, call Ron at 989-352-7788, at New Life UMC, by no later than December 2nd. If you attend one of the local churches, you may also contact your pastor, and they will relay the information to Ron.

### TDL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS

The Tamarack District Library Board of Trustees meet the 3rd. Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. at the library.

### TAMARACK WRITERS GROUP

The Tamarack Writers Group meets every Thurs., 12:30-2 p.m. at the library.

### VETERANS DISPLAY AT TAMARACK DISTRICT LIBRARY

In collaboration with the Lakeview Area Museum, our display case is decorated to honor our veterans. Stop by and check out our display case during our normal hours through Fri. Nov. 18th.

### VFW AND AUXILIARY MEETINGS

The Hough/Pontius VFW 3701 meets the first Tues. of the month at the new post in downtown Lakeview (506 Lincoln Ave.), 6:30 p.m. The veterans and the auxiliary meet in a joint session, then break off into separate meetings.

### MORLEY

**ANCESTRY EXPLORATION** First Thursday every month. Contact Terry 231-287-8384.

### FOOD TRUCK IN MORLEY

The Community Center will continue to host the mobile food pantry Thursday at 5 p.m. on December 15th.

Come join us at 151 East 7th Street in the Village of Morley.

### SYLVESTER

#### THE ISSACHAR PERSPECTIVE

The next Issachar Perspective will be Saturday, November 19 from 10:00 - 11:00 am at Sylvester Community Church, 8320 Five-Mile Road in Sylvester.

Send us your upcoming events. They are free.

Email [lanewsroom@gmail.com](mailto:lanewsroom@gmail.com)  
Call 989-352-5111  
Mail to Lakeview Area News, PO Box 439, Lakeview, MI 48850

# Christmas in LAKEVIEW

Christmas In Lakeview Title Sponsor: Tamarack Sports 

Ice Sculpting Starts at 10:00 am watch as they sculpt the ice live downtown

Craft & Vendors Show at the Tamarack Place, Community Center & McKenna's 10:00—2:00 pm

Live Reindeer and Hot Chocolate Bar at the Tamarack District Library 10:00 —1:00 pm

McKenna's Cookie Decorating at Village Kupps 11:00—1:00 pm

Goodie bag giveaway at the Peddler's Patch starting at 11:00 am

Santa at the Lakeview Elevator 11:30—1:30 pm

Make a bracelet for \$5 at the Healing Center 11:00—1:30 pm

Make and Take Bird Feeders at the Lakeview Elevator Noon to 2:00 pm

Plinko Game at Fabulous Finds Noon— 3:00 pm

Chili Cook-Off at Tamarack Place from Noon— 2:00 pm (Judging at 2:00 pm)

PTO Polar Express Wagon Rides Noon— 2:00 pm

Come take a hay ride tour of downtown Lakeview. Rides depart every 15 minutes from Lakeview's Christmas Square (215 S. Lincoln Ave. across from the Village Municipal Complex). Children MUST be accompanied by an adult. Complimentary donuts and cider provided!

Parade of Lights starts at 7:00 pm

Parade will start at 10th Street and go through First Street

Christmas Caroling, Hot Cocoa, and Fire Pits at Lakeview's Christmas Square 6:00 pm

Christmas Tree Lighting by the Lions Club at Lakeview's Christmas Square 7:30 pm

Lakeview Festival Committee Light Fight Challenge

Judging will be the evening of December 2nd, Light Challenge winners will be announced at McKenna's on December 3rd around 9:00 pm.

Fireworks at 8:00 pm

Committee Holiday Raffle, Coat Drive and Live Music with Emily Springsteen

at McKenna's. Firepits outside 7:00-11:00 pm

\$1,000 Visa Gift Card Raffle, tickets for sale \$10/each, available until sold out at McKenna's.

Drop off new coats, hats and gloves for the Lakeview Festival Coat Drive.

Announcement of the Christmas in Lakeview Festival of Lights Contest!

## Saturday, December 3rd

## Obituary



Anna Morse, age 89, of Lakeview, passed away on Monday, November 14, 2022, at the Laurels of Carson City.

She was born on April 12, 1933 in Pine Township to Clark H. and Lelia (Ostrander) Rasmussen. Anna was third from the youngest of eleven children.

Anna graduated from Lakeview High School, class of 1951. On December 27, 1952 she married the love of her life, Louis Morse, in Beverly Shores, Indiana. Louis preceded her in death on November 7, 2018.

Louis and Anna loved to travel having visited every state in the country, three Canadian Provinces, and Puerto Rico. She enjoyed golfing, bowling, and snowmobiling. Anna was an avid reader and fond of working sudoku and word puzzles as well as visiting casinos.

Anna's first job was for the Lakeview Lumber and Pickle Company working in the office. Anna later went to work for Mizga Ford in Lakeview. After Louis returned from the service, the two opened and operated Morse Oldsmobile-Pontiac, G.M.C., Inc. in Lakeview for 30 years. Anna was a Girl Scout/Brownie leader,

Boy Scout/Cub Scout leader, and coached her daughter's elementary aged softball team. She was a member of the Montcalm County Jury Board and Montcalm Election Board for nearly 30 years as well as a life member of VFW Post 3701.

Anna and Louis are survived by three children; Craig (Leesa) Morse of Titusville, Florida; Amy Martin of Stanton; and Sue (Tom) Goerge of Perrinton; three wonderful grandsons; Zachary (Sarah Byrne) Martin of Kalamazoo; Aaron Gilbert of Lakeview; and Nicholas Gilbert of Lakeview.

Anna also leaves three siblings surviving, Marjorie Lund of Turk Lake; Audrey (Jerry) Crane of Six Lakes; and Bernard (Kay) Rasmussen of Stanton; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Those preceding Anna in death in addition to her husband and parents are her siblings and spouses; Kenneth (Doris) Rasmussen; Floyd (Bernice) Rasmussen; Russell (Margaret) Rasmussen; Theo Rasmussen; Reta (Carl) Mero; Clark, Jr (Margaret) Rasmussen; Mabel (Jack) Tate; Brother-in-law, Frank Lund; Niece Bonnie McKinney and Nephew Erik Rasmussen.

At Anna's request, there will be no funeral ceremony held and she will be laid to rest in a private service beside Louis in the Cato cemetery.

To leave an online condolence or share a favorite memory of Anna, please go to [www.SimpsonFamilyFuneralHomes.com](http://www.SimpsonFamilyFuneralHomes.com).



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## Remember When - Knot Maul and the Election of 1860

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So vivid was Ellsworth's symbol that travelers and residents alike began to call the crossroads hamlet the Knot or the Maul, instead of Cato, its original appellation.

Eventually, the residents compromised calling it Knot Maul (or Knot Maul Corners, as on an 1897 plat map), a fitting tribute to the ingenuity of Ellsworth and his brothers. The United States Post Office never got the memo about this change. In their archives they list Knot Maul and Cato as separate towns. But you and I now know differently!

What ever happened to that old tree trunk? According to historical records, after the election it was put down into an old well which was covered over in 1883. The site of this well is supposedly under the present highway of M-91. The tree itself may have disappeared, along with the crossroads community, but the excitement it generated back in 1860 lives on in every subsequent election. For voting in a democracy is proclaiming that "we the people" can choose our leaders, even if we live in a small village in a mostly rural township in the middle of the mitten.



**Ellsworth Stryker with his second wife, Prudence, circa 1900 just after their wedding in 1899. (Having served as a private in the Union Army in the Civil War, Ellsworth was a veteran and died at the Soldiers' Home in Grand Rapids in 1911.)**

# What is Happening at Tamarack District Library?



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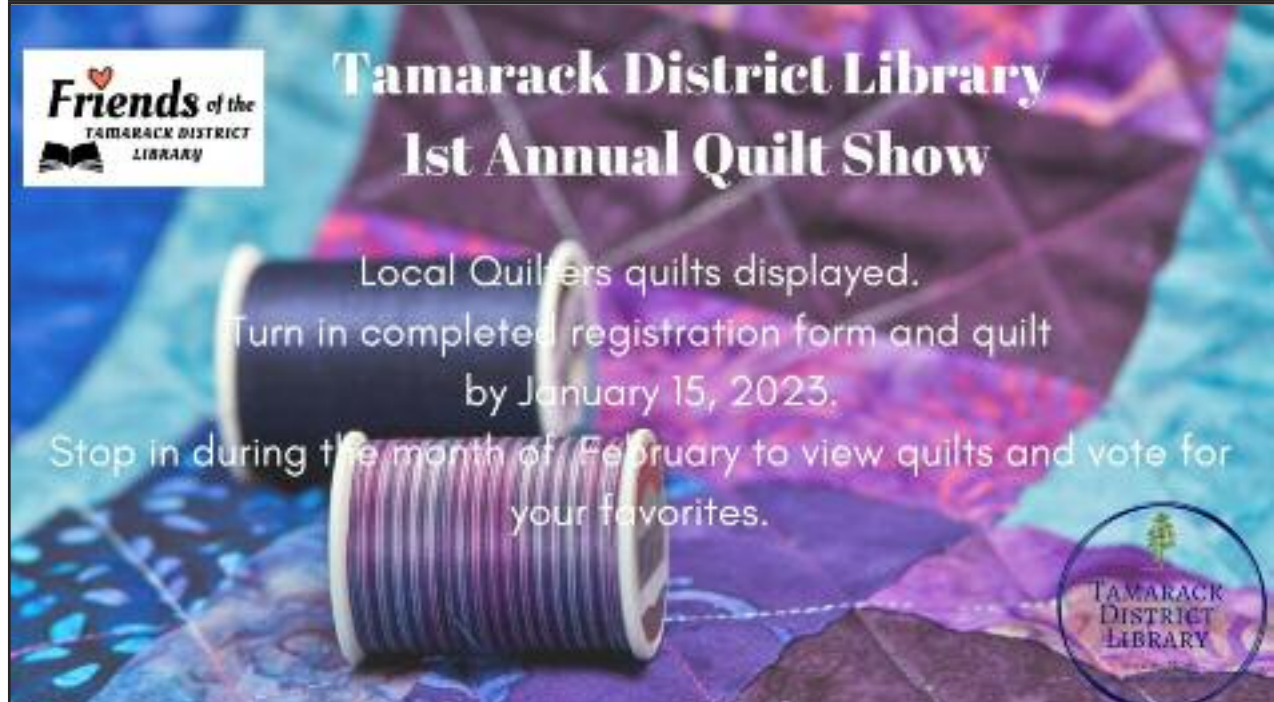


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## Writer's Corner – A Hectic Week

**By Kathy Nerychel**

It was a busy week at our house. A loved one was ill, with visits to the doctor's office, emergency room, and transfer to a different hospital. I spent hours in hospital rooms, while my family member got the care she needed. Some might consider this a distraction from my writing. But actually, you need to live your life in order to be a good writer. Your life experience is integral to your writing. She needed me to be there; I needed her to get feeling better, and my writing could wait.

Some days (or weeks) are like that. Though you may have plans to spend an hour each day writing, sometimes it doesn't happen. And that's okay. Because writers get back to it. Even during NaNoWriMo, National Novel Writing Month or the PAD (Poem a Day) November Chapbook Challenge, life sometimes hands us situations we need to deal with first, before we write.

So, whether you get distracted by a little thing, like the phone ringing, or a text message ding-ding, or a big thing happening, let's get back to writing. Like exercising, a good writing routine keeps your writer's life alive. A dog-eared book on my desk is **Writing from Personal Experience - How to Turn Your Life into Salable Prose** by Nancy Davidoff Kelton. She has taught writing classes, written

books, and devotes the first few chapters to getting started writing. Her helpful suggestions encourage writers, and each short chapter ends with a writing exercise to jumpstart your thought process. Kelton knows that writers have their "day jobs," family responsibilities, and other events in their lives. Priorities may shift, depending on what's most important, on a daily basis. She contends those things are what inspire our writing, and make us the people we are.

One chapter in her book contends "Whole Days Can Be Trouble." When the author knows she has a whole day to write, she says it takes longer to get started and she is more likely to be distracted, knowing she has more time available. When you have a deadline and you don't have lots of time, your writing can be more productive, because you have less time to write.

If you would like to read Kelton's book, check your local library, writersdigest.com or direct from the publisher online. Since I have a copy on my desk, I find myself picking it up and reading snatches when I sit down to write.

The end of chapter writing exercise from that chapter suggests- Write about one weekday and one weekend day in your past or present life that brought you pleasure. Write why.

Write about one weekday and one weekend

day that brought you grief. Write why.

Ms. Kelton also reminds us that no one needs to see what you have written, so write about something that has meaning for you.

Here are a few more ideas you may choose to write about. These prompts are from *Writer's Digest Year of Writing Prompts- 365 Story Ideas for Honing Your Craft and Eliminating Writer's Block* by Brian A. Klems and Zachary Petit.

**Writing Prompt: The Man Who Speaks in Poems** - Write a prose story about a man who speaks only in poems.

**Pet Peeve Punishment** - What's your No. 1 pet peeve? Develop a punishment for anyone caught in the act.

**That Strange Day** - It's been raining for weeks and a single thought has been stuck in your mind: It plays itself over and over, and you can't stop pondering what happened on that strange day - the day it started raining.

The Lakeview Area News is always looking for good writing. If you like what you've written, you may want to share it with the Lakeview Area News audience. Send it along to Gerald Kinsey, Editor, Lakeview Area News, at [lannewsroom@gmail.com](mailto:lannewsroom@gmail.com). You may see your writing in the paper!

**Poetry Writing Prompt - Seven More Prompts from PAD**

**(Poem a Day) Chapbook Challenge.** This month I am participating in the PAD Challenge. Would you like to join me? Jump in and try it! Even if you don't finish, you'll have some poetry written at the end of November. Here are the next six days' prompts. Of course, you can always write a different poem than the one suggested. These are just ideas to get you started thinking about what to write:

**Day 8** - Write a form poem, or an anti-form poem.

**Day 9** - Blank of the Blank. (Fill in the blanks as you wish. Top of the class, leader of the pack, king of the hill, best of the best, etc.)

**Day 10** - Write a struggle poem. What are you struggling against?

**Day 11** - Write a scary poem. It can tell a scary story or reveal a real fear.

**Day 12** - Write a future poem. It can be a minute in the future, or years in the future.

**Day 13** - Write an ekphrastic poem. This is a poem that springs from a work of art; a painting, a sculpture, pottery or a piece of music.

**Day 14** - For today's prompt, take the phrase "(blank) Story," replace the blanks with a word or phrase, make the new phrase the title of your poem, and then, write your poem. Possible titles might include: "Love Story," "Unbelievable Story,"

"Modern Story," and/or "Tell Me a Story."

Here's an example for day 14, written by Robert Brewer of Writer's Digest, who provides the prompts each day:

**"No Story"**

**I don't need a story not every time when something doesn't go to plan**

**sometimes things are just as they are and there's no reason that needs to be inserted**

**sometimes the story is that there's no story just a thing that happened maybe good maybe bad**

**and maybe the next day regardless things will go a completely unexpected direction and it's all nobody's fault or if it is it's still not the end of the world and maybe nobody's perfect but they're still trying**

Mr. Brewer's poem certainly fits my week. What's your story? Write a poem to give us your thoughts. When you finish, you can share your poetry with the Lakeview Area News audience and send it by email to Gerald Kinsey, Editor, at [lannewsroom@gmail.com](mailto:lannewsroom@gmail.com).

**Kids' Corner - Your favorite animal. If you had to choose, what animal is your favorite?**

Most people like cats and dogs, but what other animals do you like? What is so cool about this animal? Describe them to us. What would you do with an animal like that? Where would you keep it? What would you feed it? Would this animal like living with you? Convince us that this is the best animal. Draw a picture to go with your writing. If you like, you can share your perfect day with the Lakeview Area News audience. Check with your parents to see if it's okay. If you wish to share, ask your parents to submit your writing to Gerald Kinsey, Editor, at [lannewsroom@gmail.com](mailto:lannewsroom@gmail.com).

Do you enjoy writing? Consider joining Tamarack Writer's Group. The next meeting is Thursday, November 17, 2022, from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. at Tamarack District Library. Drop by if you'd like to join us. Our friendly group will welcome you and encourage your writing.

The 2021 Tamarack Writers' Anthology, *People, Poetry and Prose* is available for purchase at the Lakeview Area News office. It features work from 14 local authors, as well as a "Christmas Memories" section with recollections from the authors about holidays they remember from their childhood, and Christmas recipes. The cost is \$5.00. It is also available to check out at Tamarack District Library.

## Thankful Lives

The leaves have fallen, harvest is almost over and the cold temperatures have arrived. All signs of the coming winter season. But before we can experience winter and celebrate Christmas, there is November, a month of thanksgiving. November becomes a time of gathering with family for a meal to give thanks and a time to remember our veterans.

What do we have to be thankful for this year? At the community thanksgiving service sponsored by the Lakeview Ministerial Association hosted by the Lakeview UCC Church, we were reminded to give thanks in all circumstances, not just when things have gone well, but also when they don't go so well. Can we be thankful not only for the good but for the difficult challenges we face in life? Where has God invited you to give, help or serve?

The Bible tells us in 2 Corinthians 9:7, that we should decide in our hearts what to give. We should do so without hesitation or

pressure for God has the power to provide us with more than enough. Do you hear that? More than enough! Then the Bible says, we will have everything we will always need and enough to do every kind of good work. Giving is about a response. Even when we think we are down and out on our luck, there is opportunity to give. Maybe we can give some of our time or energy to help someone else. Giving isn't always about giving money and physical items. Most of the time if not all of the time, God just wants us - our time. The Bible also tells us in the Gospel of Luke 6:38 that what we give will determine the portion we will receive in return.

What do you have to be thankful this year? Maybe being thankful is not as much about what we receive than what we are able to do in helping others. Maybe by lending a hand to a neighbor, maybe taking time to visit someone, maybe taking

time to listen or being there for someone going through a difficult time. So many times, giving doesn't need to involve money, just the giving of our time for someone else.

I would encourage and invite you to think about truly what you can be thankful in this season. Focus on what we have, not on what we don't have. When we do, we might just realize how much we have to be thankful for.

If we could be more giving to help each other by encouraging and giving of ourselves, we will realize just how much difference we can make in each other's lives. Be thankful, for we really do have much to be thankful for and each of you do make a difference in our community. I pray that each you will have a blessed and safe Thanksgiving!

Mark Mitchell

New Life United Methodist Church

## At the Corner of Love and Grace



My daughter Sarah and I love dogs (pictured are her Cowboy and Gracie), and we regularly exchange pictures, information, and fun facts about our furry friends. Like this gem: "The dog's tail wagged. It was his tail's job to synchronize all nearby moods to the meas-

ure of his joy. A metronome of happiness." Did you know that, "People have a way of becoming what you encourage them to be - not what you nag them to be." (Lucado) In our anxious and troubled world, choose to share joy! It will benefit you, and you will

be a blessing to others. God promises that, "Those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed." (Proverbs 11:25)

Paul D. Carmichael, MA, Counselor

## Scripture of the Week

### Philippians 4:4-8

Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

## This Day in Christian History

**594**  
Death of Gregory of Tours, influential bishop of Tours and historian of the Franks.

**680**  
Death of influential Hild (aka Hilda) of Whitby, abbess of a double monastery of women and men, the site of a famous synod that determined the direction of English Christianity.

**914**  
The fortress of Q'ueli in Georgia, defended by Christians against the Muslim forces of Sajid emir of Azerbaijan, falls after a twenty-eight day siege. The Christian commander Mikel-Gobron is

beheaded when he refuses to convert to Islam.

**1231**  
Death of Elizabeth of Hungary, at age thirty-four. A noblewoman, she had used her wealth to help the needy. Following her husband's death, she had become the first of the Franciscan Tertiaries and tended the sick at Marburg. (Tertiaries are men or women who serve God within secular occupations.)

**1634**  
Giordano Ansalone, missionary to Japan, is martyred in Nagasaki.

**1668**  
Death of Joseph Alleine,

English Puritan, having burned himself out by age thirty-four in labors for the Lord. He wrote *Alleine's Alarm*.

**1966**  
Death of Johanesa Rakotovo, a pastor, educator, linguist, and Lutheran leader in Madagascar. He was among those who pressed for an end to colonial rule.

**1980**  
In *Stone v. Graham*, by a 5-4 decision, the U.S. Supreme Court strikes down a Kentucky statute requiring the posting of the Judeo-Christian Ten Commandments in public school classrooms.

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## Read Carefully

A woman whose husband had entered the Navy, gave the pastor of her church a note just as he was mounting to the pulpit one Sunday morning.

The note said "John Anderson, having gone to sea, his wife desires the prayers of the congregation for his safety."

The minister in haste picked up the slip and read aloud, "John Anderson having gone to see his wife, desires the prayers of the congregation for his safety".

# Our Awesome Agriculture: Our Love of Horses



**By Marion Stockwell**

This is Part One of Our Love of Horses. Part One is a specialty breeding, birthing and so much more facility. Part Two will be a horse training facility.

My first interview was with Theresa Rorabaugh of TWIN CREEK FARMS LLC, located in the rolling country setting of Morley. Theresa and her husband Matt own and run the facility (well-run I might add) since 1998. Theresa has over twenty years' experience and a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science with an emphasis on Equine Management from Michigan State University. She works closely with Dr Todd Gilbert, a veterinarian, but she also is certified to do many of the services herself, being certified in Artificial Insemination and Equine Reproduction from Colorado State University and Ohio State University. Matt, her husband is also qualified to help out, having a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science from Michigan State University as well. His degree was focused on Equine Nutrition, and he has been employed by Land O Lakes/Purina Mills Inc. for 25 years.

The facility itself consists of 120 acres with large rolling pastures, some of which is divided into 3 large paddocks for visiting mares, 7 paddocks for mares with foals, designed with No Climb Diamond V mesh fence to protect the babies; two barns with 21 indoor stalls: a breeding laboratory with frozen semen storage; and a veterinarian 15 minutes away with an ultrasound machine capable of deter-

mining ovulation or pregnancy. The facility is clean and up to date with rubber mats throughout including the wide aisle ways. The corner hay racks swing out of the 12 x 12 stalls, to cut back on transmitting germs and disinfecting made easier. What a great idea. The stalls are spacious with large windows for mothers and babies and bedded with shredded newspaper, which breaks down quicker than pine shavings. Turnout is preferred for all, weather permitting.

Twin Creek Farms LLC is not a boarding facility nor is it a training facility, but what they do provide is: breeding services; a safe environment for high-risk mares to come before birthing, so that they can be camera-monitored in their stalls 24/7; a facility able to ship cooled or frozen semen throughout the country where it is then artificially inseminated into waiting mares, and they also are able to receive semen from all over the world and artificially inseminate the mares in their care. Another provided service is weaning and conditioning of foals or young horses, making them fit for sale or starting life in their new homes. How interesting it was to learn about how foals are made, versus how it is done out in the wild. The facility is a reproductive equine facility, specializing in breeding problems and high-risk pregnancies.

Twin Creek Farms LLC is presently standing four stallions which are owned by clients: one of which is a Homozygous paint stallions, which means that they will throw color in a tobiano pattern color 100% of the time on their babies. (The paint horses shown in the old cowboy and Indian movies); another is a Foundation Quarter Horse, which is of a specific "working" type of Quarter Horse bloodlines; an Arabian; and a Morgan stallion. They work with all breeds of horses and some-

times other stallions drive in for "short term" visits to help their owners provide breeding services. All the stallions are beautiful and distinct in their body color and type. Breeding fee (stud fee) ranges from \$850 to \$2,500.

There are multiple reasons that a person would do better to use a service such as Twin Creek Farm LLC.

If a mare has been on the show circuit for most of her reproductive years, she may need to be jump-started, receive hormonal supplement, and also to make sure that these spoiled, "all about me" mares know how to be a good mama that accepts their babies. It may not come naturally to them. Many that plan to show a baby will want their foal born right at the first of January. They have a gestation period of 11 months, so they will need light therapy to get the mares into heat for such an early foaling time. (this is offered as well as hormonal stimulants) You may have a mare that would not carry a foal the year before, and you really want a baby, this facility will be able to ultrasound several times to be sure that there is a viable embryo, and re-breed if it is absorbed or lost, so as not to lose another year. If there is a possibility of twins, the mare can be checked to be sure through ultrasounds. Also, if a perfect stallion is found out of state or out of the country even, this facility can receive shipped cooled or frozen semen and they have the skill and knowledge to artificially inseminate a mare. Therefore, that gives a client a much larger choice of finding the perfect stallion to match their mare.

I must add, I fell in love with this cute handsome Morgan colt. He was as interested in looking my sister Pamela and I over as we were interested in watching him prance, run and pose. It looked like he was in a show ring already!

clean as well. If you purchase your fresh farm eggs from neighbors or the community, it would be good to talk to them ahead of time, tell them how many eggs you would like and request for the eggs not to be washed, you may even educate them as to why and what you will be doing with the eggs.

Please let us know of any thoughts or questions. We hope that you are enjoying **Our Awesome Agriculture.**



## Ho Ho Ho Hum



**By Debi Harris**

Now that Thanksgiving and Christmas are looming large, I think it's time for me to stop spuddling about when I should be getting this house in order. I think someday in the not-so-near future seems like a reasonable goal, dontcha think?

Every year, for every holiday, I have to put up a plethora of tchotchkes and gewgaws. Lacking the necessary space, I have to store them away before I can bring out our decorations. It doesn't help that I use newspapers to wrap them before storage. I end up reading the articles and ads and usually lose a couple of hours. Anything to delay the inevitable.

Maybe that's why I've started putting less and less of our holiday collectibles on display each year. I always wondered why my mother had gotten to the point where she had almost nothing up at Christmastime besides her tree that she recruited the grands to crawl up into the attic, drag down and put up along with a few neat village houses she'd place under the tree. Now I know. As we get older, these trappings get to be a hassle.

Don't get me wrong; I LOVE having the entire house filled with holiday cheer; I'm just getting too old and tired to deal with it. I'd try to recruit the kids

or grandkids to help out but they're just too busy. (Translation: I'm picky about where everything goes. I'd spend another day putting it all where I like it and then worry they'd notice and get upset so it's better if I do it myself even if it does take me a week.)

When our kids were young, I'd decorate the entire house for every holiday. Most of the decorations were the cheap paper kind I'd pick up at TG&Y the day after but at least I made the effort. Now, as the years have gone by and the kids have homes and families of their own, it just doesn't seem worth the effort to unpack our 30 boxes of decorations so now I'm down to decorating three rooms, four if I count the breakfast nook.

Yesterday, I decided I needed to organize my everyday dust-catchers before unpacking the decorations so I put on Christmas movies to get me in the mood but not much got done, organizing-wise. If back-to-back-to-back 'The Santa Clause' movies can't do it, nothing can. They never fail to put a smile on my face although I do think they phoned in the second movie I enjoy it nonetheless.

David put up the Christmas tree and before you holler, "Wait! What?" let me explain. He put it up so he can try and figure out why the lights the tree came with don't twinkle. We bought this tree a couple of years ago from our local home improvement store and right out of the box the dang thang was defective. We went back to the store just to find out that they had already sold out of this particular tree so an exchange was out. We contacted the manufacturer who informed us

they couldn't replace the bad controller so we added our own twinkle lights and went on with our lives.

Year two of the defective tree came and went with us deciding it'd be too much trouble to try the old switcheroo by buying a new tree, putting the old one in the box, and returning to the store for a refund. (My goody two-shoe conscience would have a fit.) Besides, I could never keep a straight face while trying to secure said refund.

Now Christmas number three is coming fast and David is scouring the Internet for ways that he might be able to fix it. I've become accustomed to having our twinkle lights added to the stationary ones it came with but if he wants to spend time working on it, more power to him. I've got better ways to waste my time like sitting in my recliner watching one of our dozens of Christmas DVDs.

The only thing that could make this day better would be if (1) it would snow (just enough to create a wonderland atmosphere), (2) all my knick knacks would be stored and the Christmas decorations were magically in their place, and (3) all my shopping would be done, the presents wrapped and under the tree by now. When our kids were small, I'd have all our shopping done before Thanksgiving. I wonder where that woman went and when she was replaced with this procrastinating Queen?

Oh, well. Even if it does take me a week, I'm content.

Update: We contacted the company again and we'll be receiving a part to fix our tree, I hope. Our holiday festivities will be saved.

## Clarification For October 27th Lakeview Area News

A big thank you to Patricia (Pat) Uebele for reaching out to us. I enjoyed our conversation, and she helped me realize how much confusion can come from ONE wrong word. In the article Remedies to Save your Eggs, I gave a recipe to preserve eggs using Mrs. Wages Pickling Lime and water. Patricia pointed out that you wouldn't peel an egg unless it is pickled or boiled. She is absolutely right, and I thank her, because I know this must have been confusing to all

who read it. I need to replace the word "peeled" with the words "cracked open". Contrary to the title, this is not supposed to pickle the egg, but preserve it in the same condition it was laid, as long as the egg has NOT been washed! You may take an egg out at any time to be used, during the up to two-year period. The question did come up about cleaning the eggs, how to do it without washing the egg. A clean cloth if done right away, but also, it helps a lot to keep the laying box

clean as well. If you purchase your fresh farm eggs from neighbors or the community, it would be good to talk to them ahead of time, tell them how many eggs you would like and request for the eggs not to be washed, you may even educate them as to why and what you will be doing with the eggs.

Please let us know of any thoughts or questions. We hope that you are enjoying **Our Awesome Agriculture.**

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**District Health Department #10-E.O.E.**  
 See posting at: <http://www.dhd10.org/contact-us/join-our-team/>

## Church Childcare Help Wanted

Faith United Methodist Church of Edmore is seeking a person to provide assistance to the Sunday School Teacher and/or Nursery Teacher on Sunday mornings. The hours are 9:15 AM through 11:45 AM each Sunday. The assistant must be at least 16 years old and will receive \$35.00 per Sunday. Successful applicants must demonstrate experience in caring for children, regular availability, ability to work with a team, and be willing and able to pass a criminal background check. E-mail Jane Anderson Beach at [mjab@cmsinter.net](mailto:mjab@cmsinter.net) to request an interview. To apply in person, please stop in at 833 S. First Street, Edmore, Monday–Thursday, 9:00 AM to 12 noon to fill out an application.

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My wife is 6 ft tall, I'm 5'5.  
 We don't always see things eye to eye.

## Mecosta Conservation District

**Over 37,000 Pounds of Hazardous Waste Collected**

By **Brook Baumann, Mecosta Conservation District Administrator**

37,434 pounds of household hazardous waste was collected at the drop-off locations in Mecosta, Osceola, and Lake Counties on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Osceola County – 14,661 lbs.  
 Mecosta County – 18,057 lbs.  
 Lake County – 4,716 lbs.

This three-county Household Hazardous Waste drop-off on October 8<sup>th</sup> was organized by the Mecosta and Osceola-Lake Conservation Districts. Baumann shared, “This is an annual event that is made possible because of collaboration between the counties, cities, townships, villages, local businesses, staff, volunteers, community foundations, and others. It’s amazing to see the community come together to help make this program a success.”

A total of 631 households dropped off materials at the collection event. Materials include motor oil, antifreeze, fuel, oil-based paints, pesticides, cleaning products, fluorescent light bulbs, and more. Dumping on the ground, into garbage pits, or including toxic and hazardous wastes in the regular waste pickup are common practices that threaten our environment, particularly the groundwater. An easy way to identify if an item is toxic or hazardous is to look for the following signal words on the label: Danger, Toxic, Flammable, Corrosive, Reactive, Poison, Warning, Caution, and Biohazard. Currently, there is not another way to dispose of these harmful products in these counties.

“Water quality is a concern of the local conservation districts” Baumann said. “The combined efforts of the Conservation Districts have been a preventive measure to ensure our ground and surface waters stay as healthy as possible.”

For more information on the household hazardous waste collection contact the Mecosta or Osceola-Lake Conservation District office. Collection information has not yet been made available for 2023.

Mecosta CD (989) 309-9229  
 Osceola-Lake CD (231) 465-8012

## Turkey Trot

**Lakeview Race Series**  
 5K Nov 24 - 8 a.m. Start @LCWC - Finish Lakeside Park  
 Register online @ [runsingup.com](http://runsingup.com) or @LCWC  
 \$30 Early Registration \$35 Late Registration 18 & Under FREE Nov 5 Early Registration Ends

## Montabella Sports

**Montabella High School Coed Varsity Cross Country scores 0 points at meet at Michigan Meet of Champions - November 12**

Dakota Dykhuis concluded his cross country season in a big way at the Michigan Meet of Champions in Shepherd. Running against the best runners in the state in all divisions Dakota finished an outstanding 28th place with a new PR and school record time of 15:45.4. He eclipsed his old personal best by over 20 seconds.

## Mostly Medicine

by **Andris Kazmers MD, MSPH**

### Hunter Safety 1, Health Education 0

You're never too old to learn skills or gain knowledge that can improve your health. From when we were kids to our years as senior citizens, learning how to support our health benefits us. Knowledge allows us to make informed decisions and protects us from potential threats so we can maintain our own health.

There are many connections between education and healthy behaviors. Knowledge often provides a basis for choosing healthier options. For instance, if an individual is knowingly at risk for cancer, lung disease, and heart disease from smoking cigarettes, they may be more likely to not start smoking or try to quit after they started. People in the US have the right to smoke (but not in public due to health risks from

secondhand smoke), despite knowing the risks. If someone ignores health information (even though it's available), they are more likely to make poor decisions such as smoking cigarettes. We have the right to ignore health information that we're given; however, such health information has not even been widely available. If no information is available, then decision making is further challenged.

As an example, I do not believe I had any health classes from kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the Lakeview School System. I do remember attending at least one hunter safety course at the school. I do not recall who sponsored it. I received more information on how to keep myself safe while hunting than I received personal health information. I think the lack of health education has caused a lot of downstream problems which resulted in students, and later, adults, not being attuned to many

health issues including smoking, drinking, vaccination, sexually transmitted diseases, unplanned pregnancy, drug use among others.

Another problem with health information is that there is no vehicle readily available to provide ongoing health information to adults. The internet is not a reliable source, nor are television ads. Where are we to learn about health issues? Unfortunately, governmental agencies have not filled this void. If better, accurate and timely material had been available during the pandemic, more people might have chosen to wear masks, socially distance, stay up to date on vaccinations, and quarantine when they became infected. If good information had been provided in these areas, fewer people would have become seriously ill or died. I think the lack of reliable information resulted in harm to the public during the pandemic. The lack of information re-

sulted in greater noncompliance with activities that could have prevented death and disability from Covid-19. I am aware that readers of my LAN articles might feel that I am perseverating about Covid-19 issues; however, in this instance Covid-19 is being used to make the point that good information about health or illness can be of great help to us as kids or adults but is not readily available.

Hunter's safety classes have been effective. Very few people are accidentally shot and killed during Michigan's firearm deer season despite the woods being filled with hunters, many of whom have buck fever. The woods are also filled with uninformed hunters. Deer blinds may contain food and refreshments which might impair judgment. Fortunately, it appears most deer hunters are careful and hunt safely. They have been trained to do so. Sadly, we have not had commensurate education in

our daily lives. Just like the two weeks of regular firearm deer season, we need to be prudent regarding our health and safety during the other 50 weeks of the year.

Education can contribute to an individual's health and longevity. Such information and education are important for those with and without health problems. Sadly, the only health information we might receive is when we face a medical or surgical procedure or are seeing a doctor because we are already ill. At that time, the doctor is obliged to provide information regarding the nature of the procedure; why it is being recommended; the risks and benefits including what can be expected without proceeding; the alternatives to the planned procedure; and that the patient has the right to decline. Some doctors provide information about the plan of care when you are seen in the office or in the hospital. Where can

you get comparable information when you are not sick? How will the public be educated about health issues? Who will educate the public? I hope to, but my writing is not encyclopedic and, sadly, the LAN does not reach every American.

Does the public have access to good quality health education and information? No. One has to search for such scarce resources which has resulted in people receiving some good information and a lot of bad information. In my opinion, this lack of knowledge and information has caused a great deal of confusion and division in our population. There has been little confusion on how to hunt safely. This shows we are capable of learning and doing a good job. Unfortunately, we cannot solve other health related mysteries without any clues.

# Cato Township Meeting Minutes 11/14/22

Present – Behrenwald, Gilbert, Grieser, Kelsey & Reynolds  
 Absent- Lincoln & Lindsey  
 Also present 8 community members, including 3 assessor’s office staff.

Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance by Gilbert 7 PM

Motion by Behrenwald supported by Grieser to approve October Minutes. No discussion. All in favor, motion carried.

Public comment:  
 Deb Rashid, assessor, introduced Heidi Gartley who will be assisting her. Gave brief reporting on speculated inflationary taxable values.

Monthly bill detail provided by Deputy Clerk. Motion to approve and pay by Grieser, supported by Behrenwald. Discussion on bills regarding Keiff’s Roofing quote vs. final invoice. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurers report given by Treasurer. Motion by Behrenwald supported by Grieser to accept as presented. No discussion. All in favor, motion carried.

Kelsey gave monthly Zoning report with 0 new permits issued. Discussed violation report.

New Business:  
 Gilbert announced Library Board Vacancy; to be posted to the website. Grieser reported on current CDs with CFFCU at .195%, running Black Friday CD special at 3% & made motion to remove current to place into new. Supported by Behrenwald. No discussion. All in favor, motion carried.  
 Grieser made motion to remove Anna Morse from current CD account. Behrenwald supported. No discussion. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:  
 Terms of planning commission members found by Brandi Clark-Hubbard to be:  
 Ending Dec 2022- J. Sweet  
 Ending Dec 2023- Q. Striker & B. Clark-Hubbard  
 Ending Dec 2024- P. Morrow  
 Posting to be corrected on website. Applicants still to apply with Clerk prior to December’s meeting.

Public Comments  
 Motion by Grieser to adjourn, supported by Behrenwald. All in favor, motion carried.  
 Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm

Next Regular meeting December 5, 2022; 7:00pm

Miranda L. Reynolds, Cato Deputy Clerk

## Election Results

Last Tuesday was Election Day in the United States. By now most of the national and state wide election results are known. For those who may not have heard the local results, here is a report taken from the Montcalm County web site.

For those who voted a straight party ticket 9,561 (66.66%) voted Republican, and 4482 (31.25%) voted Democrat. There were also five other parties that received votes, but none of them received one percent of the vote. The Libertarian Party received the most of any third party with 122 (0.85%).

The vote for governor in Montcalm County was Whitmer 9622 (36.45%) and Dixon 16,165 (61.24%). Although Dixon won by a large margin here, Whitmer received more votes statewide and therefore will serve another four years.

The same holds true for Secretary of State and Attorney General. Democratic candidate Jocelyn Benson received 10,073 (38.61%) and Republican candidate Kristina Karamo received 15,263 (58.50%). Democratic candidate for Attorney General Dana Nessel received 9,230 (35.67%) and Republican candidate Matthew Deperno received 15,841 (61.23%). Both Democratic candidates won statewide.

Our current representative in the US House John Moolenaar was re-elected by a wide margin with 17,286 (67.47%) in Montcalm County while his Democratic challenger Jerry Hilliard received 7,797 (30.43%). Libertarian candidate Nathan

Hewer also received 539 (2.10%) votes.

Our 33rd District State Senator Rick Outman easily won with 17,966 (69.05%) of the vote versus Democratic challenger Mark Bignell with 7,513 (28.88%). Libertarian Jay Gillotte received 539 (2.07%) of the vote.

Our 91st District State Representative Pat Outman (son of Rick Outman) also easily won with 16,115 (69.73%) versus Democratic challenger Tammy DeVries with 6,995 (30.27%) of the vote. There were no other candidates in that race.

In Winfield Township all three Republican candidates lost their seats to challengers. Supervisor Phyllis Larson received 487 (47.28%) while Ryan VanSolkema received 543 (52.72%). Township Clerk Colleen Stebbins received 506 (49.03%) versus Kenneth Bloom, who received 526 (50.97%). Trustee John Black received 503 (48.93%) while Julia Portratz received 525 (51.07%).

In Edmore, Village President Gloria Burr ran unopposed and received 241 (100%) votes. Three trustees were elected from the four candidates who ran. The vote was as follows: Joelle Betts 135 (20.39%), Tom Colburn 142 (21.45%), John Moore 184 (27.79%) and Jerry Rasmussen 201 (30.36%).

In Howard City Randy Heckman was elected Village President with 401 (69.86%) of the vote versus Michael VanWagner with 173 (30.14%).

In the race for Lakeview Community School board members, two were elected. The vote was An-

drew Powell 1,701 (36.59%), Jennifer Schwandt 1,640 (35.28%) and Karen Sly 1,308 (28.14%).

Of the statewide proposals on the ballot, all but one of the three failed in Montcalm County but all passed in the state. The vote locally was as follows: Proposal 22-1 yes 13,593 (53.09%), no 12,013 (46.91%); Proposal 22-2 yes 11,302 (44.13%), no 14,311 (55.87%); and Proposal 22-3 yes 10,965 (42.11%), no 15,077 (57.89%).

There were also several township issues on the ballot. The Belvidere Township Zoning Ordinance was defeated 378 (38.65%) to 600 (61.35%). The Ferris Township Fire Millage passed 338 (68.01%) to 159 (31.99%). The Maple Valley Zoning Ordinance failed 594 (69.15%) to 265 (30.85%). The Pierson Township Road Funding Special Assessment failed 1021 (62.33%) to 617 (37.67%). The Pine Township Road Millage failed 427 (55.38%) to 344 (44.62%). The Reynolds Township Road Funding proposal and Special Assessment failed 886 (60.40%) to 581 (39.60%). The Winfield Township Zoning Ordinance failed 736 (67.46%) to 355 (32.54%). The Douglas Township Proposal No. 1 Referendum on Ordinance No. 173 failed 812 (73.22%) to 297 (26.78%).

The results can be checked online at www.montcalm.us. Go to Government, then County Clerk, then Elections, then 2022 Elections, then November 8, 2022 General Election, then November 8, 2022 General Election Results, then Cumulative Report.

# VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES November 8, 2022

President Griffith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Emily Griffith, Greg Saxton, Lane Leppink, Dominic Trevino, Kate Behrenwald and Jyll Mitchell.

Members Absent: Chris Fryover

Also Present: Manager & Chief, Darin Dood, Lieutenant Bill Russell, OIC Scott Smith, DPW Supervisor Bucholtz and Clerk Melissa King.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Saxton moved and Behrenwald seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Item C was added for a Safety Flasher. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

STANDING ITEMS

Leppink moved and Mitchell seconded to approve the Council meeting minutes from October 11, 2022 as presented. Motion carried.

Saxton moved and Behrenwald seconded to approve the October bills in the amount of \$284,237.50 as presented. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Lieutenant Russell reviewed his report. Nothing was added

DPW Supervisor Brian Bucholtz did not add to his report.

OIC Smith reviewed his report. Scott added that he and Jared attended workshops for water/sewer this past month.

Manager Dood updated that the USDA grant for the patrol car has been moved up. We may see this new car in February instead of July. Also, because the USDA operates on the October 1st Fiscal, the grant for the mini is back in queue.

Manager Dood was asked to attend a Montcalm County Planning Commission meeting. They will have a vacancy January 1st and have asked Manager Dood to fill this seat.

Montcalm Economic Alliance has hired a new director. He will be starting in the next few weeks.

NEW BUSINESS

Zoning Ordinance

Saxton moved and Trevino seconded to table the adoption of the zoning ordinance until the next council meeting so council will have time to read through the ordinance. Motion carried.

Server Replacement

The server we currently have is past its life expectancy and is no longer supporting the latest software. In order to keep our day-to-day operations running smoothly and our records secure it should be replaced

Leppink moved and Behrenwald seconded to allow Manager Dood to pursue the purchase and installation of the new server and firewall with Big E Technologies for \$27,484.91 as presented. Motion carried.

Safety Flasher

The school zone flashers placed by the speed limit signs have not been working correctly for approximately a year. The components inside the units are outdated and need to be replaced.

Saxton moved and Trevino seconded to approve the quote as presented by Carrier Gable for \$4,080 as presented. Motion carried.

Trevino moved and Behrenwald seconded to adjourn meeting at 7:24 PM. Motion carried.

Police Report – 39 complaints, 8 tickets, 11 verbal warnings, 14 traffic stops, 4 liquor inspections, 83 property inspections and 3 arrests.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa King  
 Village Clerk

## Congressman John Moolenaar

### Michiganders Continue to Pay For Biden's Crippling Inflation



November 10 - This morning, the U.S. Department of Labor announced that inflation is at 7.7 percent. This is the tenth consecutive month that

Michiganders are facing over 7.0 percent inflation rates and the 17th consecutive month over 5.0 percent. Michigan families and seniors continue to

face some of the highest inflation rates since the 1980s.

“President Biden’s inflation crisis is forcing Michigan families and seniors to spend hundreds of dollars extra each month to fill up their gas tank, keep their fridge full of food, and to heat their home. The trillions in wasteful spending from this administration has sent the cost of living soaring and put the economy on the path to another recession,” said Congressman John Moolenaar. “I am working to reverse the policies of this failed administration so the economy will work for Michiganders again.”

[New analysis](#) shows that inflation is costing Michiganders an additional \$700 each month.

# Thank You

The family of Robert (Bob) Kruger would like to thank everyone for the beautiful flowers, cards, memories and your love and support.

Lynn Brainard and family  
Denise Lutterloh and family  
Millie Kruger and family

Thank you to Bill and Betty Culey and Mary Yanke for all the help they have given during Dad's illness.

Denise Lutterloh

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## Thanks-giving is November 24

Thanksgiving Day is Nearing

By Sheryl Crane

Thanksgiving Day is nearing,  
And I can hardly wait!  
My family will be coming!  
It's time to celebrate!

We'll have cranberries,  
pies and rolls,  
Green bean casserole and yams,  
Smoked turkey on the grill and corn  
And no one's bringing

ham.  
Like the pie upon our plate,  
May God's Word to us be sweet.  
May we savor our dear Savior,  
For bearing our sins at Calvary.

May our gratefulness overflow,  
As His blessings He pours out,  
And when in times of trouble,  
May we overcome any doubt.

## Edmore Women's Club



by Carolyn Kane

The November meeting of GFWC Edmore was focused on membership and leadership. Members were asked to bring a friend to the November meeting, and the program for the month was on leadership.

The purpose of GFWC Edmore Woman's Club is to bring together women of all ages who want to meet new friends, gain knowledge about their communities and the world around them, learn new leadership skills, and bring new interests into their lives through community service. Our mission is to enhance the communities and the lives of others through community service.

Won't you join us? We meet on the first Monday of the month and we meet at 6:15 pm with the meetings to be held at

Faith United Methodist Church at 833 S First Street, Edmore, MI 48829. We do not meet in July, August, September or January. You can find more information on our Facebook page at GFWC Edmore. If you have any questions, please call President Gloria Burr at 989 304-0143 or [burrbelgians@yahoo.com](mailto:burrbelgians@yahoo.com).

Did you know GFWC is an international organization dedicated to the community improvement? The GFWC Michigan established many libraries and community centers all over the state. GFWC Edmore and Michigan offer leadership advancement opportunities. Your membership offers training for leadership, committee chairs, club officers and district and state officers training.

Two members of GFWC Edmore attended a Leadership Education and

Development Seminar. GFWC Michigan Leads Training was held on Saturday November 5th 2022 at the Comfort Inn, Mt. Peasant, Michigan. Edmore GFWC President Gloria Burr and 1st Vice President Debi Peterson attended the training. Gloria reported "This program offers tools and resources to our current and future leaders. We were so impressed with this training. As new officers we have acquired so much great and useful information such as Protocol & Problem Solving, Mentoring & Delegation, and Presentation Skills. We also attended Breakout Sessions that were 20 minutes each. These sessions included: 1. Goal Settings, 2. Officers Responsibilities & Duties, 3. Leadership Toolkit, 4. Leadership Styles. These sessions are very helpful and helped us understand the true meaning of GFWC MICH-

GAN. As new officers, we are very pleased to bring exciting information and ideas to our club and to our community. Our Goal is Clarity, Communication, and Commitment. As we move forward as club officers, we are looking into many new ways to get our members more involved in our club activities and get more involved in our community. We always welcome visitors and new members to join our club."

GFWC Edmore Women's Club is dedicated to supporting our schools, library, RAVE Ionia/Montcalm Domestic Violence and Prevention, and community events.

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