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# AT THE MOVIES

## MICHIGAN CITY ONCE WAS HOME TO GRAND VENUES

By William Halliar

*Editor's note — This week, we resume our series exploring the history behind key locations along Michigan City's North End.*



Happy children mug for the camera at the Liberty Theater in 1948. Photo from "Michigan City: The First 150 Years."

Old movie houses of Franklin Street's heyday.

Their names bring back memories of so many hours spent with family and friends, of sharing stories of thrilling adventures, exploration and love. Eating hot buttered popcorn and holding hands with your best girl, laughing and sobbing with your favorite hero or heroine.



Memories of an afternoon at the movies.

Motion pictures have been part of the fabric of our lives for more than 100 years. We grew up under their spell, as did our parents. We can't escape their influence in our culture.

What is this great fascination? It is all about

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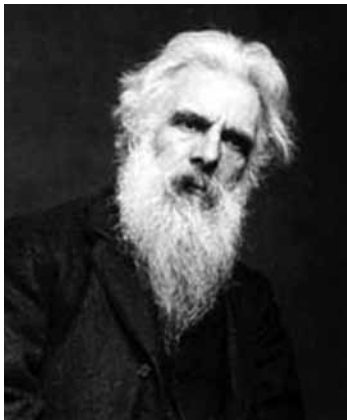
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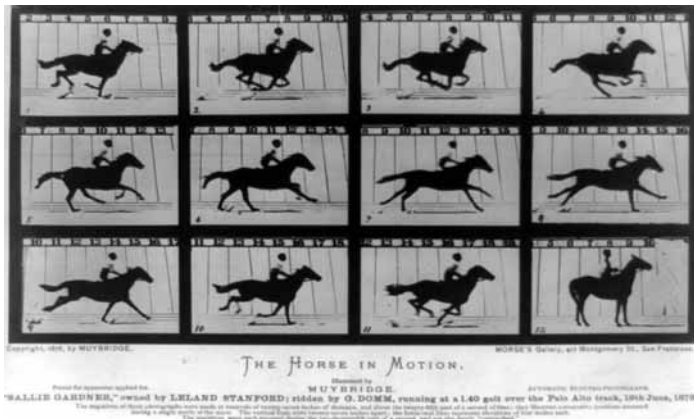
storytelling, and who doesn't like a good story? We especially enjoy a tale well told, well crafted, presented by a storyteller who can hold us in rapt attention, make us laugh, shed a tear, feel intense patriotism or remorse, even be afraid. A good storyteller can transport us through time and space to another time and place, right in the middle of the action.

Technology has advanced through the ages, but it was the story itself that demanded fresh ways of being told.



In 1878, the Englishman Eadweard Muybridge set up a series of 700 glass-plate cameras to capture horse trotting, the goal being to discover whether all four of a horse's hoofs left the ground while running or trotting. The shutter of each camera was attached to a thin cord tripped by the horse's legs as it passed. The re-

sulting images were copied to a disc and viewed in series by a machine he invented.

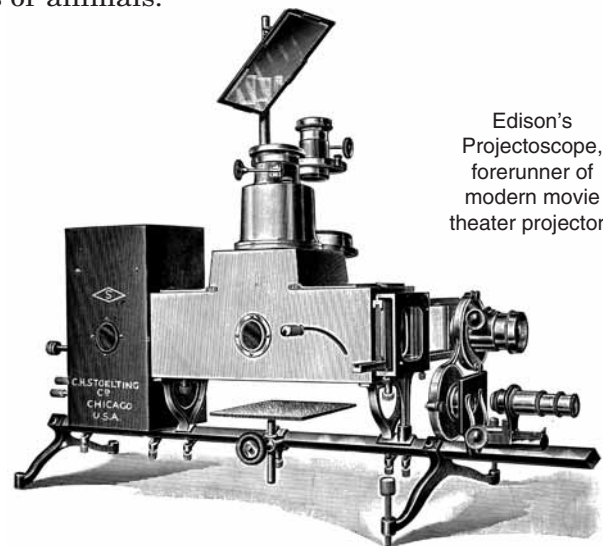


Thus, the concept for pictures in motion began. If photos captured still images, this compilation of 700 consecutive images truly was the first "movie."

Thomas Edison took up the process where Muybridge left off, inventing a camera using George

Eastman's newly developed celluloid film instead of individual glass plates. Edison ordered some of Eastman's new film and had it cut into strips. A sprocket drive system moved the film past a lens to expose each frame in turn. He called this new invention a kinetograph. To view the finished product, another invention, the Kinetoscope, was born.

Viewing parlors where Kinetoscopes were set up side by side popped up in cities across America, starting in 1894 with the first that opened in New York City. The viewer would peer into the machine while turning a crank to see the action. Here, for a nickel, patrons could watch short films that lasted only a few seconds each of circus performers, dancers or animals.



Edison's  
Projectoscope,  
forerunner of  
modern movie  
theater projectors

In 1895 in France, brothers Auguste and Louis Lumiere invented a projector that could show a movie on a screen, and could be viewed by many people simultaneously. Edison also developed a projector and built the first movie studio on the grounds of his laboratory in West Orange, N.J. The studio was dubbed the "Black Maria" and built on a turntable so it could capture the natural light of the sun for filming. In 1913, Edison introduced the first talking picture, even a film in color, with each frame handpainted.

An industry was born, and the art of storytelling was advanced to a new age. Movie theaters and showplaces began to pop up in every city of any size across America. Today, according to the National Association of Theater Owners, there are 5,317 indoor theaters and 366 outdoor theaters, with 36,662 to-



tal screens for showing movies in the United States.

Michigan City, being progressive, had its share of theaters over the years.

From the 1920s through the 1950s, a regular trip to the local theater was a way of life for many people, something eagerly anticipated all week. There was no TV for most of that time, and an evening at the theater was a time away from the hustle and bustle of daily life.

The early 20th century also saw the birth of the grand movie palace. An evening's entertainment at such an establishment can only be imagined by young folks of today. People from Michigan City in their 50s or older fondly recall many hours spent enraptured by the stories and stars on the silver screen. These grand buildings, these palaces, the products of the age, were designed to make the average citizen feel like royalty.

For a small price, sometimes as little as a dime, a theatergoer could enter a world of extravagance in sights, smells and sounds. You did not simply go to see a movie as we do today, but went for an entire experience in a venue decorated with gold, velvet and jewels, all designed to take the patron on a journey far from mundane troubles at home. For a small price, you could watch the world flash by in a news reel and thrill to a serial featuring the Lone Ranger or the Perils of Pauline, even a double feature.

Michigan City had three such movie palaces, all within walking distance of each other.



The Tivoli also was home to Miss Indiana pageants.  
Photo from "Michigan City: The First 150 Years."

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The Lido at 814 Franklin St., named for the town of Lido, a fashionable resort community near Venice Italy, opened in 1940. It was the newest and most modern of the three, boasting 853 seats.



The Lido Theater. Photo from "Michigan City: The First 150 Years."

The Tivoli at 514 Franklin St. was named for a city in central Italy known for its Roman ruins and waterfalls. It had 1,300 seats and was designed in Neoclassical style. The façade was covered in white terra-cotta. It was built in 1922 on the site of Michigan City's Grand Opera House, renamed the Orpheum Theater, and later christened the Garden Theater, a vaudeville and silent movie venue that was destroyed by fire in 1921.

The Tivoli, itself, sustained smoke damage in the early 1970s in a fire caused by careless workers remodeling a building next door. It had a full performance stage, complete with orchestra pit and balcony above the main floor. From 1957 to 1961, its main stage was the venue for the Miss Indiana Pageant.

Furthest north sat the Liberty Theater at 428 Franklin in the Vreeland building. Originally called the Starland Theater when it debuted in 1918, it had a seating capacity of around 600. The Starland had a capacity crowd on opening night. It was billed as "a vaudeville and picture theater and is one of the

*finest of its kind in this section."*

According to an advertisement of the day, the Starland "will have a change of its vaudeville program each Monday and Thursday and in the list of attractions are found many of the very finest entertainers in the business, which will run in conjunction with moving pictures." Imagine, a live stage show and a movie, all for the price of a single ticket. The Starland also boasted "a fine \$5,000 pipe organ and piano."



The Starland Theater circa 1920, before it became the Liberty Theater. Photo from "Michigan City: The First 150 Years."

In 1931, the Starland was remodeled and renamed the Lake Theater after a contest was held for that purpose. A \$5 prize was awarded to Mrs. Robert Donnelly by a panel of judges that chose her suggestion from hundreds of others submitted.

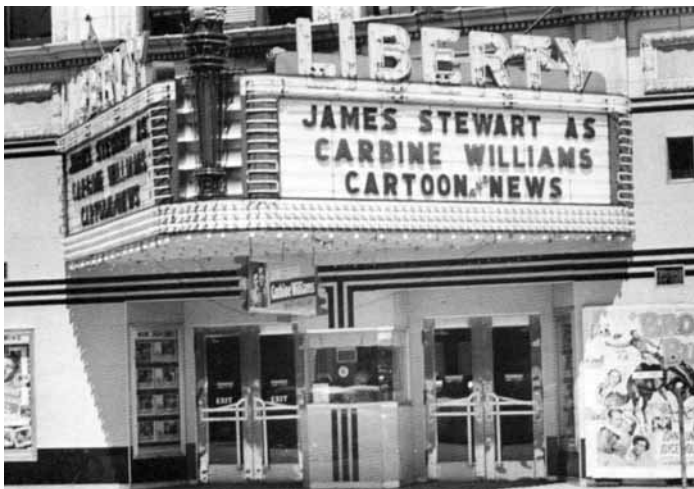
As well as a name change, the building was completely remodeled inside and out. According to one contemporary account, "Every detail of the building is in the modernistic style of decoration, which is now so popular. Bright colors with red, blue, black and silver predominating, make the theater an unusually colorful and pleasant place." The Michigan City News on Oct. 22, 1931, proclaimed that "those who have inspected it inside and out are unanimous in their praise of its attractiveness."

In 1947, the old Starland again had a name change and was recrowned Liberty." A copy of the Feb. 4, 1947, Michigan City News quotes the theater's owner as saying, "We have spared no expense in refitting the Liberty. We claim it's the finest and most modern theater in northern Indiana." The owner, one Louis Philon, also claimed, "Sound and projection equipment, the same as used in the Roxy theater in New York, has been installed. The pictures will be shown on a plastic screen mounted on a new stage."

The new Liberty was "the home of double features; there will be three changes a week; a newsreel and cartoons with two feature movies," and all for the price of a single admission.

Sadly, the Liberty was destroyed in a spectacular





The Liberty Theater in 1952 showing a James Stewart film.  
Photo from "Michigan City: The First 150 Years."

fire Jan. 22, 1959, which, it was determined by later investigation, was started in the basement by two individuals smoking cigarettes and carelessly failing to extinguish them. The day was cold, and ice cascades covered much of Franklin Street from the water used to fight the fire.

All of these grand old structures are gone. They are now either open fields or spaces filled with new buildings built to serve a more modern purpose. A 14-screen stadium-seating theater exists south of town, filled with young people eager to see the next best thing in movie magic.

But for those of us lucky enough to have experienced the golden era of the movie palace, and the grandeur of the entire experience, can remember being teens going to movies on Friday nights or Saturday matinées with the whole gang, our best girl on our arm. The memories are still with us and the urge to tell our stories ever present.

I am 65 and Lake County born and bred. My memories are of the grand old Hoosier Theater, which is still in operation in Whiting. If closing my eyes, I can still smell the popcorn and feel the fabric of the old seats and texture of the floor sticky with soda pop, and the click, click, click of the projector as the film ran its circuitous course over knobs, roller and wheels.

We at the Beacher would like to give our readers a chance to share their memories and stores of going to the movies. What do you remember of the Lido, Tivoli and Liberty? Share them with us. We will choose the best submissions and publish them in a December edition. Have your story to us by noon Wednesday, Nov. 26. Include your name and contact information so we can take your picture to include with the story. Keep the submissions to 150 to 200 words.

We request entries be sent by email to [bill\\_halliar@yahoo.com](mailto:bill_halliar@yahoo.com). If not, we will accept them at The Beacher, 911 Franklin St.

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An award-winning journalist, King has covered the past seven presidential elections and reported from all 50 states and more than 70 countries. In his role as chief national correspondent, based in Washington, D.C., he is instrumental in CNN's daily reporting and breaking news coverage.

As a member of the Peabody Award-winning "Best Political Team on Television," King was a key part of the network's Innovative America Votes 2008 coverage. He pioneered the use of the CNN "multi-touch" white board, allowing him to analyze election data and track delegates in a way not done before.

King also anchors "Inside Politics" segments weekday mornings on CNN's "New Day." He previously anchored "John King, USA" and in January 2009 launched "State of the Union with John King," the network's Sunday political news program, visiting 50 states in 52 weeks to chronicle the first year of the Obama presidency.

He joined CNN in May 1997 and became chief national correspondent in April 2005. He served as CNN's senior White House correspondent from 1999 to 2005, when his duties included reporting on the Iraq war and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

He was among the first correspondents to report in 1991 from a liberated Kuwait and received the top-reporting prize for his coverage of the 1991 Gulf War from the Associated Press Managing Editors' Association.

King's program, along with the season's final entry, The Jazz Masters 101 Reunion on Sunday, Dec. 14, is at Blue Chip Casino's Stardust Event Center. Doors open at 3 p.m., with the presentation at 4 p.m. Tickets for the season are \$100 for regular passes and \$200 for patron-level passes, which include backstage access to the speakers and an exclusive reception. Students with a valid school I.D. are free. Tickets can be purchased at [www.sinaiforum.org](http://www.sinaiforum.org) or at (219) 531-4200.

## PNC Spring Play Auditions

Purdue University-North Central will host open auditions for the spring play, "A Shakespearean Mashup: Galatea/Tamburlaine" by John Lyly and Christopher Marlowe, on Nov. 12, 17, 19.

The show provides some answers to the question, "Where did Shakespeare come from?," as it combines two different works by Lyly and Marlowe, who were popular before Shakespeare showed up in London. Both plays are compressed into a two-hour whirlwind tour of the extremes of Elizabethan theater.

The director, Paul Hecht, associate professor of English and director of the PNC Theatre Program, said the production offers roles of varying sizes and difficulty levels, as well as opportunities for cross-casting between the two plays.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. April 11, 17 and 18 and 3 p.m. April 12 at Mainstreet Theatre, 807 Franklin St., Michigan City. Cast and crew can earn credit by taking Theatre 34800, which provides an eight-week acting course at the start of the semester before rehearsals begin at the end of February.

Sign-up sheets for a stress-free audition are posted outside Hecht's office in PNC Technology Building Room 325. Contact Hecht at [phecht@pnc.edu](mailto:phecht@pnc.edu) for additional information.

## PNC Lecturer to Lead Consortium

Sarah White, Purdue University-North Central continuing lecturer of English and English Composition coordinator, has been elected president of the Indiana Writers' Consortium.

The group aims to educate writers from the ground up through speakers, seminars and children's programs. Members and associate members include teachers and health-care professionals, lawyers and full-time writers. Although members primarily live and work in Northwest Indiana, they also come from throughout the state, as well as out-of-state associate members who have significant literary ties to Indiana and student members who live or attend school in Indiana.

As president, White will actively promote IWC, facilitate events and community involvement and conduct meetings.



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Lubeznik Center for the Arts, 101 W. Second St., will present a Members Holiday Preview from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15.

Members get an exclusive look of the fifth annual Holiday Artisan Market, which features hand-crafted items by Midwest artisans. Wear a hideous holiday sweater for a chance to win a gift basket through the Ugly Sweater Contest. The winner, who must be present, will be announced at noon.

Those who invite a friend to become an LCA member receive free gift wrapping for one item. New members receive a gift for joining. Also, members get 10 percent off everything in the gallery shop.

Light bites and refreshments will be served. RSVP at <http://tinyurl.com/mfgg36c> or call (219) 874-4900.

## Traveling Abraham Lincoln Exhibit

The traveling exhibit "Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War" will debut at Valparaiso University's Christopher Center for Library and Information Resources, with an opening reception Thursday, Nov. 13.

The collection examines how Lincoln used the Constitution to confront three intertwined crises of the Civil War: the secession of Southern states, slavery and wartime civil liberties.


The exhibit includes panels of photographic reproductions of original documents, including a draft of Lincoln's first inaugural speech, the Emancipation Proclamation and the Thirteenth Amendment.

Events held in conjunction with the exhibit are:

- Opening reception and "An Evening with Abe Lincoln," 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13. The performance starts at 7 p.m. Dean Dorrell will present a one-act play based on historical documents.
- "Lincoln: A Musical Portrait," 6 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15. Angela Young Smucker, adjunct instructor in music, will give a vocal music performance with piano accompaniment.
- Civil War Indoor Encampment, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16. Living history presenters from Company B-20th Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry will discuss life in a Civil War camp, equipment common to the soldier, bullet manufacturing and the woman's role during the Civil War era.
- "On Lincoln and Libraries" by Eileen Mackevich, 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20. Mackevich is director of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum.

All events are free and held in the Christopher Center Community Room.

The National Constitution Center and American Library Association Public Programs Office organized the traveling exhibit. It runs through Jan. 9, 2015. Contact Kristen Knoerzer at [kristen.knoerzer@valpo.edu](mailto:kristen.knoerzer@valpo.edu) or (219) 464-5464 for additional information.



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Members are asked to take table service and a dish to share. Coffee and punch will be provided.

Member and retired teacher Bruce Johnson will give a program on Sweden. Nearly half of the lodge has Swedish ancestry. Other members are of Danish and Finnish descent.

Anyone interested in the history and heritage of Scandinavian countries is welcome. Call (219) 221-6641 or (219) 324-2327 for more information.

## 17th Annual Open House

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## Frida Kahlo Exhibit

South Shore Arts will present "The Complete Frida Kahlo: Her Paintings. Her Life. Her Story" on Nov. 16 through Jan. 25 at The Center for Visual & Performing Arts, 1040 Ridge Road, Munster.

Organized by Global Entertainment Properties, Los Angeles, the exhibit features more than 100 hand-painted, licensed recreations of Kahlo's paintings executed in her Magic Realist style. This is the only exhibit that follows the artist's life and development from a hobbyist to a mature, revolutionary, contemporary artist. Thirty hand-woven and embroidered dresses from Mexico, jewelry, artifacts and historic photographs detailing the artist's life also will be displayed.



"Self Portrait as a Tehuana."

During her lifetime, Kahlo created nearly 200 paintings, drawings and sketches, of which 55 are self-portraits. Asked why she so often depicted herself, she replied, "Because I am so often alone — because I am the subject I know best."

Over the years, her fame as an artist has grown. The feminist movement of the 1970s led to renewed interest in her life and work, when she came to be viewed as an icon of female creativity. In 2002, her life was the subject of the film "Frida," starring Salma Hayek as the artist and Alfred Molina as famous Mexican painter Diego Rivera. Directed by Julie Taymor, it was nominated for six Academy Awards.

Admission to the exhibit is \$5 for adults and \$2 for students/children.

"Free Family Day with Frida," which includes refreshments, dancers from Sociedad Cultural Civica and music and art projects for the family, is from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14.

"An Evening with Frida," a VIP reception and wine tasting, is from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20. The event, which includes wine and beer tastings, hors d'oeuvres and live music, costs \$35 per person, or \$50 for exclusive reserve wine tastings.

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## Indoor Flea Markets

New Troy's free Indoor Flea Market is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. EST Saturdays, Nov. 15 and 22, at the New Troy Community Center, 13372 California Road.

Past flea markets have included collectors' knives, books, antiques, collectibles, housewares, tools, jewelry, hand-woven rugs, crafts and local food products. The center's homerooms resale shops — furniture and books — also will be open. Lunch will be available.

Vendor spaces, which cost \$10, include a table and chair. The center is open for dealer setup from 6 to 7 p.m. EST Friday and 8 a.m. EST Saturday.

Proceeds from space rentals benefit the center, an all-volunteer facility run by the non-profit Friends of New Troy. Contact Janna at (773) 275-1514 or [Janna@JannaRiley.com](mailto:Janna@JannaRiley.com) for information or to reserve a space.

## Removing Invasive Species

Help restoration rangers remove invasive species at 1 p.m. EST Thursday, Nov. 20, at Sarett Nature Center, 2300 Benton Center Road, Benton Harbor, Mich.

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## "Gangsters in Berrien County"

"Gangsters in Berrien County" will explore Harbor Country hideaways during the gangster era at 6 p.m. EST Monday, Nov. 17, in New Buffalo Township Public Library, 33 N. Thompson St.

Robert Myers, Berrien County Historical Association curator, will moderate the Friends of the New Buffalo Library Community Forum program. It will feature an illustrated look at area attractions frequented by Al Capone's cronies who owned homes and retreats during the 1920s, some that still exist today. It also will highlight the story of a St. Joseph policeman's murder.

The program is free, but registration is suggested by calling the library at (269) 469-2933. Follow the facebook link at [www.newbuffalo.michlibrary.org](http://www.newbuffalo.michlibrary.org) or email [new.buffalo.FOL@gmail.com](mailto:new.buffalo.FOL@gmail.com) for additional information.

## "Contagious Tunes Tour"

Jim Gills will present his "Contagious Tunes Tour" concert to benefit Michigan City's Imagination Station at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, at Uptown Center for the Performing Arts, 907 Franklin St.

Aimed at families, tickets are \$5, or \$15 for a family of four. Call (219) 872-6723 for reservations.

## Michigan City Public Library

The following programs are available through Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St.:

• **Duneland Stamp Club at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13.**

The stamp-collecting club meets the second Thursday of each month. New members are invited.

• **Bookmarks: Santa Montefiore's "Secrets of the Lighthouse" at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14.**

Linda Wells will review the book set in Ireland on the coast of Connemara.

• **Stress Reduction, Relaxation and Mindfulness Class at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 15.**

Learn simple, mindful meditation practices with Patrecia Lenore, who has studied and practiced meditation for 38 years. She has taught Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction courses since 1998.

• **Films on DVD Series: "Wish I Was Here" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16.**

Zach Braff wrote, directed and stars in the film, which is rated R and co-sponsored by the Purdue University-North Central Odyssey arts series.

• **NaNoWriMo: Write a Novel in November at 6 p.m. Mondays, Nov. 17 and 24.**

It's National Novel Writing Month. The library, along with Book Warehouse, is challenging people to write 50,000 words in November.

• **Attitude of Gratitude: Thanksgiving Philosophy at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18.**

Call Ange at (219) 874-3754 for more information.

• **Yoga with David Kipley at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Nov. 18 and 25.**

Kipley is a recent graduate of Dancing Feet Yoga's Yoga Teacher Program. All levels are welcome. Take a mat and wear comfortable clothes.

• **Knitting Club for All Ages at 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Nov. 19 and 26.**

Take size 9 straight knitting needles, worsted yarn and tape measure (optional). Contact Joanne Hale at [joeyAB1971@yahoo.com](mailto:joeyAB1971@yahoo.com) or (219) 814-4398 for more information.

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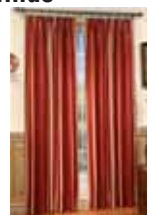
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## “Bountiful Music and Art”

ArtsBridge will present “Bountiful Music and Art” at 4 p.m. EST Sunday, Nov. 16, at First Presbyterian Church, 475 Green Ave., on Morton Hill in Benton Harbor, Mich.

The program’s first half features music from the Citadel Dance & Music Center. A violin duet by Anna and Brian Vi will feature “Largo” from “Concerto in D Minor for Two Violins. Cellist Kinsey Gave will perform “Humoresque, Opus 101 No. 7” and Angela Chen the cello solo “Nostalgia” by Ma Sicong. Susan Dietrich-Reed will serve as piano accompanist. A quartet that includes music students Lynn Tan, Meaghan Carpenter and instructors Sara Thomas and Susan Dietrich-Reed will perform the “Nocturne and Tango” from Carole Neuen-Rabinowitz’s “Suite Hispaniola.”

The second half will feature Thomas Swann on harmonica and an exhibit from Anna Russo-Sieber Gallery’s “I Am The Greatest” student program. The 10 participating students from The Boys & Girls Club of Benton Harbor include Rackiyya Taylor, Keihinia Daniels, Debra Daniels, Walter (Rodeo) Mickey, Kevonte Small, Mardarius Small, Dejaney Dyson, Charvion Polk, Darius Sallie and Lance Brown.

A reception will be held in Goff Hall after the performance. Admission is free, but donations are accepted. Call (269) 925-7075 for more information.

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## Historical Society Museum Releases October Figures

La Porte County Historical Society Museum, 2405 Indiana Ave., La Porte, has released its October curator's report.

Visitors came from 10 Indiana counties, 21 states, Venezuela, Norway, Japan and Argentina. There were three tour groups: one seniors group, one Boy Scout troop and a home-schooled group.

"Belle Gunness Day" was Oct. 4, with a program by Knut Eric Jensen and a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Gunness exhibit. County Historian Fern Eddy Schultz presented a program on La Porte County photographers on Oct. 18 for Family Research Month. A Halloween event was held Oct. 25, with a presentation by Fern Eddy Schultz on "Hauntings of La Porte County," followed by the reading and telling of "real" ghost stories and trick-or-treating in the period rooms.

Donations included:

- La Porte High School memorabilia, including a tam, beanie, orange baseball and pom-poms, Gail Dailey.
- Cast photos of La Porte Little Theatre productions, Bonnie Quigley.
- Howmet retirement memento of space shuttle, poster showing Howmet-made space shuttle parts, Raymond Savenko.
- Two ladies' fur coats, one muskrat, one white mink with fox collar, June Reeves.
- Shoe brush advertising Lower's Hardware, Allis-Chalmers license plate, Michael Sandy.
- Haskell & Barker Co. metal tag, David Nowicki.
- Handmade apron by Mary Dusza for Elizabeth Wiegand's wedding, embroidered tablecloth, picture frame made by donor's father, wedding portrait, Elizabeth Wiegand.
- Painting from Washington Park Zoo, done by an otter, Janet Sikorski.

- 1950s pink ashtray, Susie Richter.
- Two framed pen-and-ink drawings by Joyce Keane, Mary Miller.
- Howmet T-shirt and key rings, Lois Hagglund.
- Allis-Chalmers wooden casting patterns, Thomas C. Larson.
- First-grade alphabet board used at Clinton Township School, Margaret Loomis.
- DVD of July 4th parade, Tom Heinrich.
- Kesling yearbooks, Cindy Ault.
- Archival information, Lois Hagglund, Gerald Bernacchi.
- Items and books for the sale table, Gail Daily, Don Bowman, Jean Chlupacek, Janet Lashinis for Arlie Spiess and John Wendt.



Patterns used at Allis-Chalmers, likely in the 1930s, donated by Thomas C. Larson to the museum.

Many new items have been added to the gift shop, including a Belle Gunness coffee mug. Holiday decorating has begun with compiling historical items for "Santa's Special Trees," which will be this year's holiday theme. Calendars for 2015 are available for sale. The theme is "Diners'n'Drive-Ins of La Porte County." Call (219) 324-6767 to reserve copies. A photo booth has been set up to celebrate fall.

Visit [www.laportecountyhistory.org](http://www.laportecountyhistory.org) for more information about the museum.



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## Chili & Movie Night

New Troy's Chili & Movie Night will feature the premiere of the documentary "New Troy: The Center of the World" on Thursday, Nov. 20, at New Troy Community Center, 13372 California Road.

The chili cook-off starts at 6 p.m. and the movie at 7 p.m., both Eastern time and hosted by Friends of New Troy — the non-profit group that operates the New Troy Community Center — and the Wee-saw Township Historical Society.

"New Troy: The Center of the World" was directed by award-winning Australian filmmaker Justin Olmstead, who shot it while visiting the town in 2012. It features interviews with numerous former and current residents, including the late Norma Diehl, Al Boyd, Brandy Glick, Terry Hanover, Mike Metz, Pam Olmstead and Ron Schaffer, plus photos of the town in its heyday.

Olmstead is the son of Pam (Siebler) Olmstead, who was born and raised in New Troy, and whose parents ran the former Trojan Grill in the center of town. Another of his documentaries, "A Dying Art: Maple Syrup Making in Galien," received Best Director and Best Script in the 2012 Canberra International Short Film Festival.

After the movie, Justin Olmstead and members of the New Troy Historical Committee will participate in an informal discussion. DVDs of the documentary will be available for sale.

Advance tickets are recommended because seating is limited. Tickets are \$5 and include chili sampling and the movie. Beverages and desserts will be available for purchase. Anyone interested in entering the chili cookoff should preregister through Friends of New Troy's Facebook page or by contacting Lorraine Hanover at (269) 469-5687 or [info@centeroftheworld.net](mailto:info@centeroftheworld.net)

Tickets are available from the New Troy Community Center's Book Room (open from 10 a.m. to noon EST Monday through Saturday and 5:30 to 7 p.m. EST Monday through Friday) and Center of the World Woodshop Showroom, 13400 Red Arrow, Harbert. Tickets may also be reserved by contacting Hanover.

## Waiter New R.O.S.E. Winner

A.J. Woodson, a member of the wait staff at Michigan City's Crawford's Pub and Eatery, was named Visit Michigan City La Porte's September Recognition of Service Excellence winner.



Woodson said he was surprised to receive the award. The customer who nominated him, however, raved about his service.

*"He served a friend and me on Friday night. I was staying at a local hotel, and I wanted to see if the restaurant was suitable for a family reunion dinner. I was so impressed with him that Saturday, I had lunch*

*and he was once again our server, and we reserved a table for 22 people for Saturday night because he would be our server and we were sure with his expertise and excellent customer service that the dinner would be well managed.*

*"He exceeded our expectations, and the cuisine at the restaurant compares to any fine dining establishment. I thanked the manager of the restaurant for the excellent care that our server extended to my family for the weekend meals and for the overall excellence of the restaurant."*

Woodson received a framed certificate and rose corsage with a \$100 bill folded inside. He will be invited to the annual R.O.S.E. luncheon in the spring, when he will be considered for additional awards and be nominated for Indiana's annual Hoosier Hospitality Award.

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## Michigan City Education Foundation Awards Grants to Teachers

The Michigan City Education Foundation recently awarded small grants to teachers for innovative approaches in the classroom for the 2014-2015 school year.

The recipients teach in grades kindergarten through eighth in Michigan City-area public and parochial schools. A total of 38 grants were awarded for \$11,589.16, benefiting 12 schools, 63 teachers and 3,075 students. Many of the project supplies purchased can be reused.

The MCEF, a component fund of the Unity Foundation of La Porte County, was formed in 1994 to encourage and recognize outstanding teacher projects. Three groups came together — the chamber of commerce, Burton and Jane Ruby and Mary Lou Linnen. Each contributed funds to create a permanent endowment of more than \$150,000. Earnings are used to make grants to teachers. Over the past two decades, the endowment has awarded more than \$192,000 to benefit approximately 23,000 students. Anyone can make a tax-deductible contribution by phone at (219) 879-0327 or email at [unity@uflc.net](mailto:unity@uflc.net).

The recipients include:

### **Barker Middle School**

- Erin Frever, Infusing Technology in the Classroom, \$347.98.
- Jill Grabowski, Jumping Jiminy — Tree Frogs Here?, \$325.
- Amy Hamann, Christina Tauber — STEM in the Real World Using IMOVIE Learning, \$319.80.
- Tamara McKee, Project TECH (Technology & Education for Children), \$350.
- Kelly Tokoly-Rothermel, Picture This: The Business of Photography, \$335.12.

### **Krueger Middle School**

- Erica Ackerson, Fitness Feedback, \$298.12.
- Sarah Good, Pioneer Days/Living Indiana History Museum, \$350.

### **Edgewood Elementary School**

- Teresa Pavloff, Dream Bigger-Drama Club, \$225.

### **Joy Elementary School**

- Natalie Hudson, Chris Kiser, Minds in Motion, \$156.86.
- Meg Kanyer, Natasha Magnuson, Sam White, Family Fun Night, \$350.
- Heather Ochoa, Deborah Moore, In the News — In the Know!, \$315.70.
- Kimberly Stepp, Nadia Dabagia, Lauren Stacks, Moby Max Me, \$350.

### **Knapp Elementary School**

- Elizabeth Law, Math, Engineering, Organization and Writing (MEOW), \$345.05.
- Connie Myres, Investigating Sounds, \$249.
- LouAnn Porter, Dem Bones, \$223.77.
- Joshua Schultz, Native Trees of Indiana, \$315.65.
- Rachel Ward, Getting KIDS cRAZy about READING, \$99.95.

### **Lake Hills STEM Magnet School**

- Lara Byers, STEMtastic Kindergarten Engineers, \$318.88.
- Rebecca Kozlik, Sowing STEM Seeds for Our Future, \$349.85.
- Erin Lozano, Sarah Hernandez, Rachael Leir, Blast from the Past: Now and Then, \$254.10.
- DeAnna Munoz, Janis Mitchell, Penny Will, Calling All Writers, \$350.
- Sheri Wagner, Taking Technology to the Classroom, \$329.21.

### **Marsh Elementary School**

- Alisa Carlson, Encouraging Critical Thinkers, \$265.65.
- Sue Cusick, Oh My, Oh My, A Butterfly!, \$297.97.
- Susan Shell, Butterflies and Ladybugs and Ants, Oh My! \$350.

### **Pine Magnet School for the Performing and Visual Arts**

- Sharon Arndt, Craig Keson, Megan Orlando, Amanda Bair, Pathway to our Backyard — Exploring the Forest, \$350.
- Tisa Cunningham, Wild World Of Words, \$233.20.
- Julie Schmidt, The Arts in Literature, \$350.
- Elizabeth Schreeg, Art History Comes Alive!, \$345.

### **Springfield Elementary School**

- Amber Large, Biography Museum, \$350.
- Kristin Smith, Inquisitive Informational Writers, \$300.
- Ashley Solano, Project Listening Station, \$350.
- Janelle Spolyar, SHIFT Students' Thinking Skills Into High GEAR! \$222.90.
- Sheri Tuesburg, Expository Writing Experts, 300.
- Melissa Wise, Kinder Games! \$265.40.

### **Notre Dame Catholic School**

- Edwin Shelton, H.A.T.S. off to Notre Dame Catholic School, \$350.

### **Queen of All Saints Catholic School**

- Edwin Shelton, Wild, Wonderful, Winter Hats, \$350.

### **St. Paul Lutheran School**

- Melissa Bushnell, Next Generation Science Initiative, \$350.



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## Gingerbread Holiday Open House

A Gingerbread Holiday Open House is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. EST Saturday, Nov. 29, at The Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph, Mich.

Guests will see the Gingerbread Train Display, which features Lionel trains and eight gingerbread likenesses of St. Joseph arts, cultural and tourist centers, including The Heritage Museum and Cultural Center, Krasl Art Center, St. Joseph Today, Maud Preston Palenske Memorial Library, Curious Kid's Museum and The Box Factory. Volunteers from each organization are decorating their buildings with graham crackers, gingerbread, candies and frosting. The buildings will sit on a "bluff" overlooking the Silver Beach Carousel and two lighthouses. Nancy Wolff will run the two Lionel trains.

Baking skills are not necessary to participate in the gingerbread open house, which is open to the community. All items used to create the house must be edible except the base. Heavy Styrofoam or covered plywood bases are recommended for stability. Entries that fall apart will be removed from the display area and disposed. The size limitation is a 10-by-10 inch base (no height limit). The cost is \$5 per entry. Proceeds benefit the Lighthouse Forever Fund. Delivery dates are from 1 to 3 p.m. EST daily, Nov. 24-Dec. 3. All entries must be picked up between 1 and 3 p.m. EST Dec. 26-30. Remaining items will be discarded after 4 p.m. EST Dec. 30.

During the holiday open house, the family friendly concert "Mockingbird" is from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. EST, while the American School of Music will perform from 2 to 4 p.m. EST.

The gingerbread display and trains will be on display daily. Trains run on the hour for 30 minutes. The display will open through Dec. 30. Donation are requested to support The Box Factory and Lighthouse Forever Fund.

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## River Valley Garden Club

The River Valley Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. EST Tuesday, Nov. 18, at the New Buffalo Township Public Library, 33 N. Thompson St., where staff will give members a guided tour of the new facility.

Guests also will learn more about the club's mission and upcoming projects, including the annual plant sale in May. Anyone with an interest in gardening is encouraged to attend.

Contact Elizabeth Palulis at (269) 426-3513 or email [evpalulis@yahoo.com](mailto:evpalulis@yahoo.com) for more information. Additional information is available at [www.river-valleygardenclub.org](http://www.river-valleygardenclub.org)

## Taltree Arboretum & Gardens

*The following program is available at Taltree Arboretum & Gardens, 450 W. County Road 100 North, Valparaiso:*

### • Pendant Wire Wrapping Jewelry Class from 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 15.

Learn how to make a necklace pendant. Supplies are provided. Students may take a stone to wrap. The cost is \$25 for non-members and \$20 for members.

Visit [Taltree.org](http://Taltree.org) or call (219) 462-0025 to register for programs or more information.

## Indiana Dunes State Park

*The following programs are offered through Indiana Dunes State Park:*

### Saturday, Nov. 15

#### • 10 a.m. — A Hike to the Governor's Cottage.

Join a naturalist for a moderate hike to explore the remains of Gov. Jackson's cottage near the lake-shore. Along the way, learn history that makes the park unique. Meet at the Nature Center.

#### • 2 p.m. — Seventh Annual Sandhill Crane Tour.

Meet at the Nature Center for the annual tour to visit the crane gathering at Jasper-Pulaski Fish and Wildlife Area. Called Indiana's largest wildlife spectacle, JPFWA hosts up to 20,000 cranes nightly at this time.

The tour begins with a short program, then a 45-minute bus ride to view the gathering at dusk. Participants return around 6 p.m. Pre-registration, which is limited and required, costs \$20 for adults, \$5 for youth 18 and younger and free for children 3 and younger. Call (219) 926-1390 to register.

### Sunday, Nov. 16

#### • 10 a.m. — Feed the Birds.

Join a naturalist outside the Nature Center for the daily feeding. Get close views of chickadees, cardinals and woodpeckers.

#### • 2 p.m. — 100 Years of Indiana State Parks.

Meet at the Nature Center auditorium for the 50-minute, PBS-produced documentary that captures 100 years of Indiana State parks.

Indiana Dunes State Park is at 1600 N. County Road 25 East (the north end of Indiana 49), Chesterton. Call (219) 926-1390 for more information.

## State Park to Temporarily Close

Indiana Dunes State Park is among 18 state parks that will temporarily close to allow for controlled deer reductions.

The dates are Nov. 17 and 18 and Dec. 1 and 2. The park will close to the general public the night before each of the two efforts and reopen the morning after each two-day reduction.

Only individual hunters drawn last September, and those hunters they listed on their applications, may participate at Brown County, Chain O'Lakes, Charlestown, Clifty Falls, Harmonie, Lincoln, McCormick's Creek, Ouabache, Pokagon, Potato Creek, Prophetstown, Shakamak, Summit Lake, Tippecanoe River and Whitewater Memorial. There will be no standby drawings at those parks.

Indiana Dunes will conduct daily standby drawings at 8 a.m. Potential standby participants can apply on site between 7 and 7:45 a.m., but cannot enter the park before 7 a.m.

A report on the 2013 reductions can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/nsfcu86>

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## New Robotics Team Mentors

A nuclear engineer from MIT, retired high school physics teacher, mechanical engineer and an electronics technician.

These are some of the new mentors who have volunteered to help the Michigan City Robotics Team this season.



Jeff Partynski is principal of GMXI Consultants and spent 25 years as a mechanical engineer before transitioning into education and teaching high school physics for nine years. He sponsored his school's Science Club, which participated in the annual Rube Goldberg Machine Contest. His team reached nationals during its second year in competition.



Christopher Copeland, a native of Jamaica, N.Y., is a shift technical advisor at the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Power Plant in Bridgman, Mich., and an associate evaluator with the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations in Atlanta. He recently was adjunct faculty to the department of physics at Morehouse College. His career has taken him across the world, with internships at the Université Louis Pasteur in Strasbourg, France, and the Tokyo Electric Power Co. in Tokyo, Japan.



Local businesswoman Laura Niemzyk-Condon volunteered to mentor students on the business and marketing aspects on operating a robotics team. She is a former business owner with 20-years experience in customer service, public relations and business management.

Visit [www.mrobotics3936.com](http://www.mrobotics3936.com) for additional information.

## Band Needed for Rock Musical

Festival Players Guild needs an area band to provide the music for its upcoming production of the Tony-nominated rock musical, "Passing Strange."

The band must be comprised of lead and rhythm guitars, bass, keyboard and drums. Clips from "Passing Strange" are posted on YouTube so those interested have a feel for the style of music.

The production is not a paid performance. However, the band can sell recordings and make promotional materials available to the audience. The band also will receive a full-page ad in all "Passing Strange" programs and be mentioned in all press releases related to the show.

To be considered, bands must contact the director at [brbnd89@comcast.net](mailto:brbnd89@comcast.net). They then will be asked to submit a demo for review by the production staff. The contact deadline is Feb. 1, 2015. Rehearsals begin March 9, 2015, with performances to run May 8-16 at Mainstreet Theatre, 807 Franklin St., Michigan City.

## Christmas Bazaar Crafters Sought

Michigan City Mainstreet Association is seeking specialty crafters to exhibit at the Fourth Annual Uptown Christmas Bazaar.

The event, set for 2 to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, at The Uptown Center, 907 Franklin St., Michigan City, is part of the December First Friday art walk.

The juried show will include food, music, shopping and art. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to United Way.

Anyone interested in participating should contact MCMA Executive Director Diane Wilczewski at [ExecutiveDirector@UptownArtsDistrict.org](mailto:ExecutiveDirector@UptownArtsDistrict.org)



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New Buffalo Township  
Public Library's Lego  
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create something fueled

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November, with the next  
sessions planned for Nov.  
15 and 29.





## Artwork Sought for Show

Buchanan Art Center, 117 W. Front St., is requesting artwork for its All Members' Art Show, which runs Wednesday, Nov. 19, through Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015.

An artists reception is from 2 to 4 p.m. EST Sunday, Nov. 23.

Featuring works by current BAC members, members of all ages are welcomed to submit pieces. There is a limit of two per member, and all work must be original by the artist. All styles and media — 2-D and 3-D — are encouraged and accepted. Flat work in all age categories should be ready to hang: matted, mounted or framed.

Registration and drop-off dates are between 1 and 4 p.m. EST Sunday, Nov. 16, and 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST Monday, Nov. 17.

There is no entry fee, but exhibitors must be BAC members to participate. Membership rates and information are available at [www.buchananartcenter.org](http://www.buchananartcenter.org). Call (269) 697-4005 for more information.

## Polish-American Cultural Society

The Polish-American Cultural Society of Northwest Indiana will meet at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, at the former St. Mary's School, 321 W. 11th St., Michigan City.

Call Theresa Child at (219) 464-1369 for additional information.

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## Preserve Protection Under Way

Efforts to improve biodiversity and protect water quality at the Coffee Creek Watershed Preserve in Chesterton are under way, the goal being the installation of more than 615 trees of various species and sizes before the year's end.

Restoration efforts conducted since Sept. 19 to prepare for the tree planting included controlling reed canary grass — known by some gardeners as "ribbon grass" — taking advantage of canopy openings being created in the forest by dead or dying ash trees. Ironically, another invader, the emerald ash borer, is killing the more than 1,600 ash trees that exist in the preserve.

Certain sections of the prairie bordering the wooded areas also will be mowed to control invasive shrubs such as multiflora rose and autumn olive. Trail users may see the contractor conducting their work and should be cautious of equipment and personnel traversing the restoration areas, which are mainly centered in the middle of the preserve.

Tree-planting efforts under way should include 500 bare-root saplings, 100 containerized trees and 15 larger balled and burlapped trees. Species will be installed according to their growing requirements. For example, shagbark hickory prefers more shaded, upland growing conditions, whereas swamp white oaks can thrive in wetter soils.

The trees also will be protected from deer and rabbit browse by installing special tubes around their trunks, and tree mats will be used to prevent the young trees from being overtaken by reed canary grass that is expected to re-grow. The mats also protect the trees from herbicide that will be used to control future reed canary grass invasions.

The project is the culmination of nearly one year of prep work involving the CCWC and other watershed preserves: the Indiana Department of Natural Resources' Moraine Nature Preserve near the top of the watershed and the Shirley Heinze Land Trust's Keith Walner Preserve at the north end of the watershed. The project is being led by The Nature Conservancy's Southern Lake Michigan Rim Project Office in Merrillville. Save the Dunes, Michigan City, also was involved in prep work.



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## JROTC Earns Awards at Event



Michigan City High School's Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Drill Team poses with its trophies.

Michigan City High School's Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Drill Team earned numerous awards at the Chicago Bulls College Prep Drill Meet in Chicago on Saturday, Nov. 1.

The Cadet Wolves finished first in the armed squad category. The squad was commanded by Cadet Capt. Alex Wyman, who also finished sixth out of 100 cadets in the individual drill event.

The unarmed exhibition platoon placed second, with the unarmed platoon, unarmed squad, first-year squad and personnel inspection platoon earning third-place trophies. Those units were commanded by Cadet Sgt. Jamai Glass, Cadet Capt. Cody Joseph, Cadet Gunnery Sgt. Quinton Dixon and Cadet Cpl. Pauline Lutton. Joseph also commanded the inspection platoon.

There were eight schools in the competition. The MCHS Color Guard took fourth place out of 16 color

guards. It was commanded by Dixon.

Maj. Tom McGrath, the senior Marine instructor, praised the cadets for their flexibility.

"We were missing five of our starters for various reasons today," he said. "We had some of our younger cadets really step up and perform well. It was a good opening drill meet for us."

The cadets were to compete in a physical fitness competition Saturday, Nov. 8, at Hobart High School, the same day as the Michigan City Veterans Parade, which MCHS will provide a Color Guard and marching platoon. Then, cadets will honor the 239th birthday of the U.S. Marine Corps with a military ball, and compete in Round 2 of CyberPatriot, a national computer defense game. MCHS will host its military skills competition from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at the Elston building. It is free and open to the public.

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## Winners of Teacher Innovation Fund Grants Announced

Unity Foundation of La Porte County has announced the latest grant winners from the Teacher Innovation Fund for Michigan City Area Schools.

This is the fourth time the grants have been awarded. The permanent endowment fund, started by former Michigan City Mayor Chuck Oberlie and MCAS Superintendent Barbara Eason-Watkins, provides grants to teachers and professionals at Michigan City High School and the La Porte County Career and Technical Education — A.K. Smith Center.

A total of \$2,525.82 was awarded to projects for the current school year, benefiting 18 teachers and 3,323 students. The maximum request amount is \$350. All 10 applicants were fully funded. Recipients of the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 Teacher Innovation Fund grants were recognized during a staff meeting Nov. 10 at the high school.

The grantees and their projects include:

### Michigan City High School

- **Kristen Freitag, Game Buzzers for Interactive Games in the Classroom, \$350:** "Buzzers maintain fair competition and promote interaction in students."
- **Aaron Garrett, Counseling Department Computers, \$350.** "Computers in the waiting area of the counseling department will allow students and family members to access college information, including applications, financial aide and college websites. In addition, students can apply for jobs and research them."
- **Adam Goebel, My Future Tourbook, \$325:** "Students will create a journal of different places they learn about throughout the year in geography that they may want to visit."
- **Mary LaLuna and Andrew Eubank, Operation Participate to Graduate, \$339.83:** "Operation Participate to Graduate is the motto given to our current Credit Recovery program. Through this individuated program, students are able to recover lost credits."
- **Amy Wojasinski-Labis, On the Path to College/Career Readiness, \$241.77:** "This resource

gives students with disabilities the opportunity to receive extra help, learn organizational tips and be motivated/engaged learners. This project monitors students with disabilities who will graduate college/career ready in the near future."

- **Michael Livovich, The "Thrown to the Wolves" Digital Platform Project, \$187.95:** "Creation of a unique teacher website called 'Thrown to the Wolves' which acts as a platform for all digital and net-based learning activities in class and at home. Also, further utilization of net-based testing resources."
- **Megan Schroeder, Bat House, \$227.28:** "When students make a bat house of their very own, they see how easy it is to take simple steps to become good stewards of the earth. They can take the bat house home and educate their family and neighbors on bats and how they naturally destroy harmful insects (mosquitoes); requiring no insecticide."
- **Bruce Stahl, Game of 41, \$35.99:** Replacement of a mini-basket for the test review game called Game of 41.
- **Benjamin Volheim, Apple TV, \$118:** "Apple TV, a way to display anything on an iPad directly to a TV for the entire class, will serve as an engaging and entertaining way to present material, as well as foster student participation and collaboration through the visual depiction of a verity of educational applications and sources." The award is supported by the Michigan City Area Chamber of Commerce in memory of A.K. Smith graduate and longtime Horizon Bank employee Joe Mellen.

### La Porte County Career and Technical Education/A.K. Smith Career Center

- **Jennifer Goss, Read It Once Again, \$350:** A.K. Smith Early Childhood Education classes will use the Read It Once Again early childhood comprehensive curriculum as students work with younger children in the MCAS system.

*Contributions to the Teacher Innovation Fund may be sent to Unity Foundation, P.O. Box 527, Michigan City IN, 46361.*

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## Homeroom Resale Hours Expanded

Thanks to Kelly King, the Homeroom Resale Store in the New Troy Community Center has new, expanded hours.

When volunteering to run the store, King said to start, hours will be from noon to 4 p.m. EST every Saturday, although that could change depending on what kind of volunteer support she receives.

Volunteers are needed immediately to work in the store as clerks or help with sorting and pricing donations, and organizing displays.

The store accepts donations of clean furniture and other housewares in good condition. Proceeds from sales benefit the Community Center, 13372 California Road, New Troy, Mich., an all-volunteer facility run by the non-profit organization Friends of New Troy. It receives no government funding.

The Homeroom Store also has begun accepting donations for its second Winter Coat Drive. Gently used coats, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves and boots for children and adults are needed. The winter gear will be available at no cost to anyone in need.

Donations may be dropped off when the Homeroom Store is open or during the Community Center's bookroom hours (10 a.m. to noon EST Monday through Saturday and 5:30 to 7 p.m. EST Monday through Friday). Call King at (269) 338-3203 or email [newtroymhomeroom@gmail.com](mailto:newtroymhomeroom@gmail.com) for more information or to volunteer.

## Historical Society

The La Porte County Historical Society Inc. meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, in the meeting room at the museum, 2405 Indiana Ave.

The meeting will include the election of four 2015 board members, followed by the program "Hoosier Authors" presented by Bruce Johnson, retired teacher and Society president. The program will include facts about 12 famous Indiana writers, including Lew Wallace, who wrote "Ben Hur," James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier Poet who wrote "Little Orphan Annie" and "The Raggedy Man," and Gene Stratton Porter, author of "Girl of the Limberlost." The program also will include several writers of children's books.

Those present don't have to be members. Visit [www.laportecountyhistory.org](http://www.laportecountyhistory.org), email [info@laportecountyhistory.org](mailto:info@laportecountyhistory.org) or call (219) 324-6767 for additional information.

## Charter School Takes Tour

Samantha Kubik's seventh-grade class at Discovery Charter School experienced the Century of Progress Homes walking tour on Tuesday, Oct. 21.

During previous art lessons with Art Specials Teacher Annette Hansen, the students learned about how and why the homes were originally created for the 1933/1934 Chicago World's Fair. Students painted their own versions of the homes in watercolor and wrote facts about each home on the back. The paintings were carried along and the information shared during their trip.



In front of Beverly Shores' Cypress Log Home, historian Carl Reed and teacher Samantha Kubik stand among the seventh-grade class of Discovery Charter School.

The five homes tie into Discovery Charter School's place-based learning curriculum because the buildings were transported during the 1930s from Chicago to their permanent locations in Beverly Shores. During their walking tour, students learned further details of their history from volunteer docent-historian Carl Reed. For the last three years, Reed has donated his time to Discovery's seventh-grade classes, his goal to keep Beverly Shores history alive in community youth.

To finish the tour, the students visited the Beverly Shores Train Depot Museum, where they viewed other artists' renditions of the five homes and took in more "insider information" about the houses. The student artists also showed off their own paintings to museum curator Carol Ruzic.

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## Salute to Business Luncheon

The Greater La Porte Chamber of Commerce will host the 11th annual Salute to Business Luncheon on Thursday, Nov. 13, at Silver Palace, 1719 State St., La Porte.

The lunch will begin with registration at 11 a.m. and lunch and the presentation at 11:30 a.m. State Rep. Tom Dermody is the keynote speaker.

The luncheon recognizes organizations that have made a significant contribution to the community, based on longevity, growth in employment, physical expansion and economic impact on the community.

The chamber also will select and honor the 11th annual recipient of the Corporate Citizen Award, which goes to a local business that has made a significant contribution to La Porte's well-being.

The cost is \$25 for chamber members and \$30 for non-members. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/m7245ms> to register.

## Free Tutor Training

Free READ La Porte County Inc. training for volunteer tutors to help adults and children increase reading, math, English and digital literacy skills is Saturday, Nov. 15, in the La Porte County Public Library large meeting room, 904 Indiana Ave.

A session on tutoring adults who speak English is at 10 a.m. A free lunch will be served. A session on tutoring adults who spoke a language other than English first ends the day, which concludes by 2 p.m. Those interested may attend either or both sessions.

Current tutors, people who wish to be tutors and those who want to know what tutoring might be like are invited. A college degree, teaching experience or ability to speak another language is not necessary.

Contact Mary Hedge at (219) 325-0875 or [mhedge8@comcast.net](mailto:mhedge8@comcast.net) to register, which is required to guarantee materials and a meal.



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## La Lumiere Teaching Award



La Lumiere School announced the 2014 Excellence in Teaching Award recipient is Jason Hunter, a seventh- and eighth-grade social studies and history teacher at The Stanley Clark School, South Bend.

The annual award recognizes and rewards professionals in the community committed to teaching, and who provide an outstanding middle-school education for local students.

Recipients teach sixth, seventh or eighth grade and are nominated by their students. One of Hunter's student nominators wrote, *"This exceptional mentor truly brought history to life in his classroom by making the lessons come awake for each and every student."*

The award includes dinner and a movie for two each month of the school year.

## PNC Enrollment Day

Purdue University-North Central will offer Enrollment Day from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, targeting current and prospective students who want to register for the 2015 spring semester.

Prospective students can fill out an application, get admitted, take an assessment test (if needed) and receive financial-aid information.

Official transcripts must be submitted to be evaluated for admission. Then, students meet with an academic advisor to discuss a plan of study and register for courses.

A sign-in table will be located at the north entrance of the Technology Building near the lounge adjacent to Room 157.

No registration is required, and students will be helped on a first-come, first-served basis. Family members are welcome.

## Free Fashion Show

Settlers Place, 3304 Monroe St., La Porte, will host a free fashion show at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12.

Volunteer models will wear upscale resale clothing, jewelry and accessories. Unique gifts also will be available.

Call Community Relations Manager Laura Liskey at (219) 575-8200 for more information.

## 5K Run, Walk & Roll

The United Way of La Porte County will present its annual 5K Run, Walk & Roll on Saturday, Nov. 22, with the race starting at 9 a.m. at Blue Chip Casino Hotel Spa, 777 Blue Chip Drive.

Sponsored by IU Health La Porte Hospital, the timed race heads along Washington Park and the beach and ends at Blue Chip. Participants receive a medal, long-sleeve tech-style shirt and race bag with gifts and coupons. The "after party" includes a DJ, awards presentation, raffle items, food, drinks, beer, Bloody Mary bar and photo booth.

Awards will go to top overall male and female finishers, top male and female, top male and female masters (40 and older) and top three finishers in each age group.

All race proceeds go to La Porte County United Way to benefit local families whose children receive care at Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis.

The cost is \$25 plus a \$2.50 signup fee. Contact NCaylor@northwestathleticclub.net for additional information.

## State Park Receives Grant

The camping experience at Indiana Dunes State Park will improve thanks to a Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grant that will pay to reforest the campground with about 80 new trees.

In recent years, a large die-off has occurred in the campground as trees of roughly the same age simultaneously reached their life expectancy. The new trees will vary in age and species. All will be native species, including red, white and black oaks.

Replacing dying trees with healthy ones will:

- Help stabilize the near-shore habitat along Dunes Creek.
- Reduce erosion and resulting sedimentation into waterways and, subsequently, Lake Michigan.
- Provide wildlife habitat.
- Help regulate temperatures in the campground.
- Enhance the visitor experience.

The GLRI grant was secured as a collaborative effort between Save the Dunes, a Northwest Indiana conservation group, and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

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## 4-H Open House

The public can learn more about 4-H Club during a 4-H Open House from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, in the Small Projects Building at La Porte County Fairgrounds, 2581 W. Indiana 2, La Porte.

Families can talk to current volunteers, view sample 4-H projects and participate in hands-on activities and games. A light dinner of hot dogs, chips and cookies will be served.

La Porte County 4-H is open to youth in grades three through 12. A mini 4-H program is available for those in grades K-2.

Contact the Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service at (219) 324-9407 or visit [www.bit.ly/laporte4h](http://www.bit.ly/laporte4h) for more information.

## Pokagon Culture Experience

Members of the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians will present storytelling, drum and dance troupes from noon to 4 p.m. EST Sunday, Nov. 16.

The free performances will be at South Bend Museum of Art, located in The Century Center, 120 S. St. Joseph St.

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## Westchester Public Library

*The following programs are available through Westchester Public Library:*

• **Monthly Saturday Movies at Hageman, "Planes: Fire and Rescue," 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at Hageman Library, 100 Francis St., Porter.**

The showing is free, as is the popcorn. The movie is rated PG.

• **Mad About Mysteries with Cliff Goins at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at Westchester Township History Museum, 700 W. Porter Ave., Chesterton.**

The focus is C.J. Box, the author of 18 novels, 13 of which feature Wyoming game warden Joe Pickett. Light refreshments will be served.

• **Sunday Matinee, "Jersey Boys," 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, at the Library Service Center, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.**

The showing is free. The movie is rated R.

## Author Seeks Photos, Stories

Local resident Elaine Thomopoulos is seeking help compiling a book about legendary locals from St. Joseph and Benton Harbor, Mich.

Thomopoulos is writing stories and assembling images of newsworthy and noteworthy individuals, and groups that have shaped the communities, in an upcoming book published by Arcadia Publishing.

Thomopoulos is the author two other Arcadia Publishing books on the area: "Resorts of Berrien County" (2005) and "St. Joseph and Benton Harbor" (2003). The new work will focus on people, from local politicians and high school coaches and athletes to notorious personalities and beloved entertainers.

Contact Elaine Thomopoulos at (630) 655-2077 or Thomop@msn.com to share photos and stories.

## Santa Parade, Kris Kringle Blitz

Applications are available for the 2014 Santa Parade held at noon Saturday, Nov. 29, in downtown La Porte.

Participation in the parade is free, and all groups are welcome. The route heads downtown and ends at Santa's chalet in Chamber Square, 803 Washington St. Afterward, children can visit with Santa and experience the tree lighting.

Also, forms are available from the Chamber office to judge and vote for the favorite holiday storefront. The winning business will be announced before Christmas.

New this year, the Greater La Porte Chamber of Commerce, Downtown La Porte and Anytime Fitness La Porte will host the Kris Kringle Blitz, a one-mile, full-costume fun run preceding the parade. Registration is available at the chamber, or at <http://tinyurl.com/l4oqq5>

A Christmas card again will be used for entry in the coloring contest to win B&J Bucks for Breakfast with Santa, scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 13. All cards will be forwarded to U.S. troops. A copy of this year's card is available at La Porte County Family YMCA and the chamber. The entry deadline is Wednesday, Nov. 26. Dropoff is at the YMCA.

Santa will be in his chalet after the parade and again from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20. His chalet also will serve as a dropoff those days for the La Porte County Toys for Tots.

Contact the Greater La Porte Chamber of Commerce at (219) 362-3178 or email [cutler@lpchamber.com](mailto:cutler@lpchamber.com) for more information on these events.

## Watergate Scandal Revisited

A look at the Watergate scandal that caused President Nixon to resign 40 years ago is from 10 a.m. to noon EST Saturday, Nov. 15, at the New Buffalo Township Library, 33 N. Thompson St.

Tim Moor of Lake Michigan College will present the program in the Friends of New Buffalo Library's Community Forum.

The program is free, but registration is suggested by calling the library at (269) 469-2933. Follow the Facebook link at [www.newbuffalo.michlibrary.org](http://www.newbuffalo.michlibrary.org) or email [new.buffalo.FOL@gmail.com](mailto:new.buffalo.FOL@gmail.com) for additional information.

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*The Thursday Pottawattomie Lady Bowlers is welcome to join the league, which is seeking more bowlers. Anyone interested should join the group at 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays or call (219) 879-5581.*

## ASL Club Game Night

Purdue University-North Central American Sign Language Club will host a free ASL Fun Night from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 17, in the Library-Student-Faculty Building Assembly Hall, Room 02.

The evening will feature ASL humor, storytelling and games. Participants can take a favorite board game, card games or decks of playing cards, snacks and drinks. Guests with all ASL abilities are welcome. Hearing and deaf children with an adult are invited.

Information about the club is available at [www.aslclub.info](http://www.aslclub.info). Information about other events in the community is posted at [www.nwideaf.org](http://www.nwideaf.org)

## Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore

*The following programs are through Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore:*

• **The free Junior Ranger Program from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily at Indiana Dunes Visitor Center and Paul H. Douglas Center.**

A variety of Junior Ranger programs exist, from a short Beachcombers Activity Page to an extensive Junior Rangers Booklet. Complete a program and earn a prize. Stop by the Visitor Center or Douglas Center to pick up a free program booklet.

• **"Park in Focus" from 1 to 3 p.m. every Saturday at the Paul H. Douglas Center.**

Park staff will host special programs focusing on park resources, hot topics in research, new environmental films or guest speakers.

• **"Kid's Rule" from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday at the Indiana Dunes Visitor Center.**

Join a ranger in the Visitor Center's activity room for stories and activities. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

*The Visitor Center is at 1215 N. Indiana 49, Porter. The Paul H. Douglas Center is on Lake Street north of U.S. 12 in the Miller Beach neighborhood of Gary. Call (219) 395-1882 for more information.*

## ICS November Specials

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## Activities to Explore

### In the Local Area:

**November 13** — Opening reception, traveling exhibit “Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War,” 6 p.m., Valparaiso University’s Christopher Center for Library and Information Resources. Info: [kristen.knoerzer@valpo.edu](mailto:kristen.knoerzer@valpo.edu), (219) 464-5464.

**November 14** — Bookmarks: Santa Montefiore’s “Secrets of the Lighthouse,” 2 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

**November 14-15** — Purdue University-North Central’s “Rough Magic,” 7:30 p.m., Mainstreet Theatre, 807 Franklin St., Michigan City. Tickets: \$10/general admission, \$5/students with ID. Info: (219) 785-5229, [btlee@pnc.edu](mailto:btlee@pnc.edu)

**November 14-17** — Vickers Theatre, 6 N. Elm St., Three Oaks, Mich. *Now showing*: “1,000 Times Good Night.” Not rated. In English and Norwegian. Times: 6 p.m. Fri.-Mon. *Also*: “Tracks.” Rated PG-13. Times: 9 p.m. Fri., 3 and 9 p.m. Sat.-Sun. All times Eastern. Info: [vickerstheatre.com](http://vickerstheatre.com)

**November 15** — Members Holiday Preview, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Lubeznik Center for the Arts, 101 W. Second St. Reservations: <http://tinyurl.com/mfg-g36c>, (219) 874-4900.

**November 15** — La Porte County Symphony Orchestra opening night, 7:30 p.m., La Porte Civic Auditorium, 1001 Ridge St., La Porte. Table seating/\$30, general admission balcony tickets/\$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors (65 and older), children/students through college age free. Info/reservations: (219) 362-9020/[www.LCSO.net](http://www.LCSO.net) for reservations.

**November 15** — Monthly Saturday Movies at Hageman, “Planes: Fire and Rescue,” 2 p.m., Hageman Library, 100 Francis St., Porter. Free.

**November 15** — Watergate scandal program, 10 a.m.-noon EST, New Buffalo Township Library, 33 N. Thompson St. Info: (269) 469-2933.

**November 15** — Seventh Annual Sandhill Crane Tour, 2-6 p.m., Indiana Dunes State Park Nature Center, 1600 N. County Road 25 East (the north end of Indiana 49), Chesterton. Cost/info: (219) 926-1390.

**November 15** — Scandiana Lodge, Sons of Norway, carry-in dinner, 6 p.m., Westchester Library Service Center, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton. Info: (219) 221-6641, (219) 324-2327.

**November 15-16** — 17th annual open house/annual fall sale, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Hook Pottery Paper, 756 W. County Road 900 North, La Porte. Info: (219) 362-9478.

**November 15, 22** — Free Indoor Flea Market, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. EST, New Troy Community Center, 13372 California Road. Info: (773) 275-1514, [Janna@JannaRiley.com](mailto:Janna@JannaRiley.com)

**November 16** — Jim Gills “Contagious Tunes Tour” concert, 2 p.m., Uptown Center for the Performing Arts, 907 Franklin St. Tickets: \$5, \$15/fam-

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**November 16** — Films on DVD Series: "Wish I Was Here," 2 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

**November 16** — Purdue University-North Central Sinai Forum, "An Afternoon With John King," 4 p.m., Blue Chip Casino's Stardust Event Center. Tickets, info: [www.sinaiforum.org](http://www.sinaiforum.org), (219) 531-4200.

**November 16** — "Songs of Giving Hearts: Charity in Concert 2014," Notre Dame Church, 1010 Moore Road. Doors open 3 p.m., concert at 3:30 p.m. Info: [songsofgivinghearts@gmail.com](mailto:songsofgivinghearts@gmail.com)

**November 16** — Reading/signing, "The Dog and the Dolphin," 1-3 p.m., Visit Michigan City La Porte in Marquette Mall, 4073 Franklin St.

**November 16** — Sunday Matinee, "Jersey Boys," 1:30 p.m., Westchester Public Library Service Center, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton. Free.

**November 16** — "100 Years of Indiana State Parks," 2 p.m., Indiana Dunes State Park, 1600 N. County Road 25 East (the north end of Indiana 49), Chesterton. Info: (219) 926-1390.

**November 16** — Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians culture, noon-4 p.m. EST, South Bend Museum of Art located in The Century Center, 120 S. St. Joseph St. Info: (574) 235-9102.

**November 17** — Purdue University-North Central American Sign Language Club free ASL Fun Night, 5:30-8 p.m., Library-Student-Faculty Building Assembly Hall, Room 02. Info: [www.aslclub.info](http://www.aslclub.info)

**November 18** — Attitude of Gratitude: Thanksgiving Philosophy, 3 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

**November 20** — Chili & Movie Night, New Troy Community Center, 13372 California Road. Chili cook-off/6 p.m., movie/7 p.m. Info: (269) 469-5687, [info@centeroftheworld.net](mailto:info@centeroftheworld.net)

**Mondays** — Codependents Anonymous (CoDA), 6 p.m., Franciscan Alliance-St. Anthony Health. Info: (219) 879-3817


**Wednesdays** — Al-Anon meetings, 7-8 p.m., Long Beach Old School Community Center, 2501 Oriole Trail. Info: (219) 716-2690.

#### **Farther Afield:**

**November 15** — The ARK Jazz Project, 7:30 p.m. EDT, The Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph, Mich. Tickets: \$10/general admission, \$8/students and seniors, free/children 12 and younger. Info/reservations: (269) 983-3688, [info@boxfactoryforthearts.org](mailto:info@boxfactoryforthearts.org), [www.boxfactory-forthearts.org](http://www.boxfactory-forthearts.org)

**November 16** — "Bountiful Music and Art," 4 p.m. EST, First Presbyterian Church, 475 Green Ave., on Morton Hill in Benton Harbor, Mich. Free-will donation. Info: (269) 925-7075.

**Through November 16** — Jeffrey Hatcher's "A Picasso" by The Genesius Guild, Beatniks on Conkey, 418 Conkey St., Hammond. Times: 8 p.m. Fri./Sat., 3 p.m. Sun. Tickets: \$15, available at door or call Beatniks, (219) 852-0848.




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 God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity.  
 Oh, Star of the 'Sea, help me and show me, herein  
 you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
 Queen of Heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech  
 you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in

this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show  
 me herein you are my mother. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for  
 us who have recourse to thee (3x). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your  
 hands (3x). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that  
 I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget  
 all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me. I  
 want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once  
 again that I never want to be separated from you in Eternal Glory. Thank  
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## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY



**On November 13, 1789**, Benjamin Franklin sent a letter to a friend in which he wrote, "In this world, nothing can be said to be certain except death and taxes."

**On November 13, 1921**, "The Sheik," a motion picture starring Rudolph Valentino, opened at Chicago's Roosevelt Theater. It was said that the masculinity of Valentino's image on the screen caused women in the audience to swoon.

**On November 13, 1933**, the first recorded sit-down strike in the United States occurred at the Hormel Packing Company at Austin, MN.

**On November 13, 2004**, illustrator Harry Lampert, who, in 1940, drew the super hero known as "Flash" for DC Comics, died, in Boca Raton, FL, at the age of 88.

**On November 14, 1832**, the world's first street-car — called the "John Mason" — made its debut in New York. Thirty people could be accommodated in the three compartments of each car, which was drawn by two horses, and traveled on tracks laid on Fourth Avenue.

**On November 14, 1851**, *Moby Dick*, a novel by Herman Melville, was first published in the United States.

**On November 14, 1889**, "New York World" reporter Nellie Bly began her attempt to top the fictitious voyage of Jules Verne's Philas Fogg by traveling around the world in less than 80 days. She completed the journey in 72 days.

**On November 14, 1996**, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin died in Chicago of cancer; he was 68.

**On November 15, 1926**, the National Broadcasting Co. went on the air with 24 radio stations. The first broadcast, from the Grand Ballroom of New York's Waldorf Astoria, featured opera stars Mary Garden and Tito Ruffa, the New York Symphony Orchestra, Will Rogers, Weber and Fields, and many others.

**On November 15, 1958**, while filming a movie in Spain, 44 year old actor Tyrone Power died of a heart attack.

**On November 15, 1966**, *Gemini 12* astronauts James Lovell and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin Jr. splashed down safely in the Atlantic.

**On November 16, 1873**, composer W.C. Handy, the "father of the blues," was born in Florence, AL.

**On November 16, 1895**, German composer Paul Hindemith was born in Hanau.

**On November 16, 1901**, in a race on Brooklyn's Ocean Parkway, a car driven by A.C. Bostwick be-

came the first automobile to exceed the speed of a mile a minute.

**On November 16, 1959**, "The Sound of Music" opened on Broadway.

**On November 16, 2004**, President George W. Bush picked National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice to be his new Secretary of State, succeeding Colin Powell.

**On November 17, 1869**, with great pomp and circumstances, the Suez Canal, linking the Mediterranean and Red Seas, was formerly opened. Aboard the first ship to traverse the channel was the Emperor Franz Josef of Austria-Hungary, the Empress Eugenie of France, and the Khedive of Egypt.

**On November 17, 1926**, the Chicago Blackhawks played their first hockey game, beating Toronto 4-0.

**On November 17, 1968**, NBC outraged football fans by cutting away from the end of a New York Jets-Oakland Raiders game to begin a TV special "Heidi," on schedule. The Raiders beat the Jets, 43-32.

**On November 17, 1973**, speaking to a meeting of newspaper editors in Orlando, FL, President Richard Nixon denied wrongdoing in the Watergate affair, asserting, "I am not a crook."

**On November 17, 1998**, actress Esther Rolle, died, in Culver City, CA, at the age of 78.

**On November 17, 2003**, Arnold Schwarzenegger was sworn in as the 38th governor of California.

**On November 18, 1928**, Walt Disney's *Steamboat Willie*, the first animated-cartoon talking picture, appeared on the screen of New York City's Colony Theatre. This was the show that marked the debut of Mickey Mouse.

**On November 19, 1493**, Christopher Columbus discovered the island of Puerto Rico.

**On November 19, 1863**, in one of the history's most memorable speeches, President Abraham Lincoln, at the dedication of the Gettysburg battlefield as a national cemetery, spoke for only two minutes, and limited his remarks to ten sentences: ". . . we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth." The President's speech was considered so insignificant that most newspapers carried it on inside pages — in contrast to the two-hour oration delivered by Edward Everett — which was printed nationwide on page one.

**On November 19, 1893**, the "New York World" became the first newspaper to issue a color supplement, four pages printed in five colors.

**On November 19, 1990**, the pop duo Milli Vanilli was stripped of its Grammy Award because other singers had lent their voices to the "Girl You Know It's True" album.

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this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my mother. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3x). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3x). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in Eternal Glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. The person must say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days, the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted.



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**Prayer to the Blessed Virgin**

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this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my mother. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3x). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3x). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in Eternal Glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. The person must say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days, the request will be granted. This prayer will be published after the favor is granted.



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## Off the Book Shelf

by Sally Carpenter

**Buddy: How a Rooster Made Me a Family Man** by Brian McGrory (paperback \$13.99, available in bookstores and online; also available as an ebook)

First of all, how did it get to be November so soon?! Thanksgiving is right around the corner. I hope this great holiday will bring you and yours closer together, and help us all remember how important friends and family are.

To that end, I am sending you my Thanksgiving rooster. Sorry, I can't provide the turkey this year, but I can provide a story that will warm your insides with love and laughter. Something to savor before the main meal. I give you Buddy, the rooster...

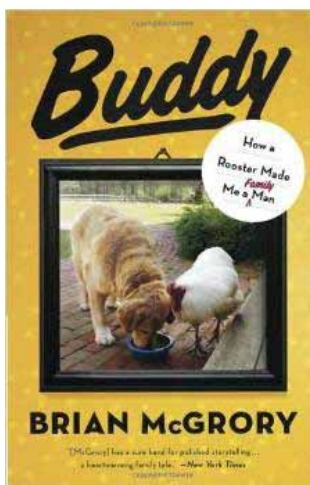
The really great thing about this book is, it's based on Brian McGrory's life. Trust me, no one could make this stuff up! Brian is a journalist who has spent his life writing and working his way up the journalistic ladder to his lifelong ambition of working for his hometown paper, *The Boston Globe*. He knew he wanted to be a writer from a very young age:

*"When I was in the fifth grade at the Abigail Adams School in Weymouth, Massachusetts, we launched a student government. Some kids ran for president, other kids ran for the Senate. I opened up my own newspaper and criticized everyone seeking office. It was pure heaven."*

The first part of the book actually is about Harry, his golden retriever. Harry was the perfect companion, and after his marriage ended in divorce, Brian and Harry made a comfortable life for themselves with daily walks in the neighborhood of Back Bay, trips to the seashore and, for Brian, a pretty perfect life. That is, until Harry was diagnosed with a deadly disease and died at the age of 10.

Brian was puzzled when a few weeks later, a package came with a Hermes tie and an unsigned note. It wasn't until later he learned it came from Harry's vet, Dr. Pam Bendock.

Suffice it to say, eventually Pam and Brian got together and for the first time in many years, Brian started thinking of having a family. Pam was re-



cently divorced and had two daughters, and two dogs, and cats and rabbits and... well, you get the picture! Could Brian fit into this suburban lifestyle?

It wasn't until one of the daughters hatched a chicken egg for a science project that the "fun" really begins. She can't part with it, names it Buddy and it becomes part of the family...literally. It lives in the house, sits between the girls when they're watching TV and rules over the yard, and that includes Brian, whom the chicken seems to want to kill at the earliest opportunity! At least that's Brian's take on the situation.

As time goes by and the chicken is obviously staying on, it is discovered that Buddy is a he and not a she. Brian finally discovers he and Buddy might have more in common than he first thought.

McGrory is a born writer with a humane style that makes you smile, laugh out loud and, yes, even snuffle a little. His story will fill you with holiday cheer, and will be a book you will want to pass around to your friends, even the animals-in-the-house hating ones. No one could possibly read this book and not feel some emotion, either for Brian or Buddy, or maybe both!

In his acknowledgments at the end of the story, McGrory states, "A few years ago, I probably couldn't have imagined my life today. Now, I can't imagine anything but."

Don't you think that says it all? I do.

*The Chicago Tribune* wrote: "This is a laugh-out-loud read."

*Library Journal* wrote: A heartwarming and wise tale of finding love in life's second chapter — and how it means all the more when you have to fight for it."

Best-selling author Joseph Finder said, "Hilarious and heartwarming, *Buddy* reminded me of *Cheaper by the Dozen*, only with animals. I flat-out loved this book."

So do I.

Till next time, happy holiday shopping (only 49 days left!), and please, take some time for reading!



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