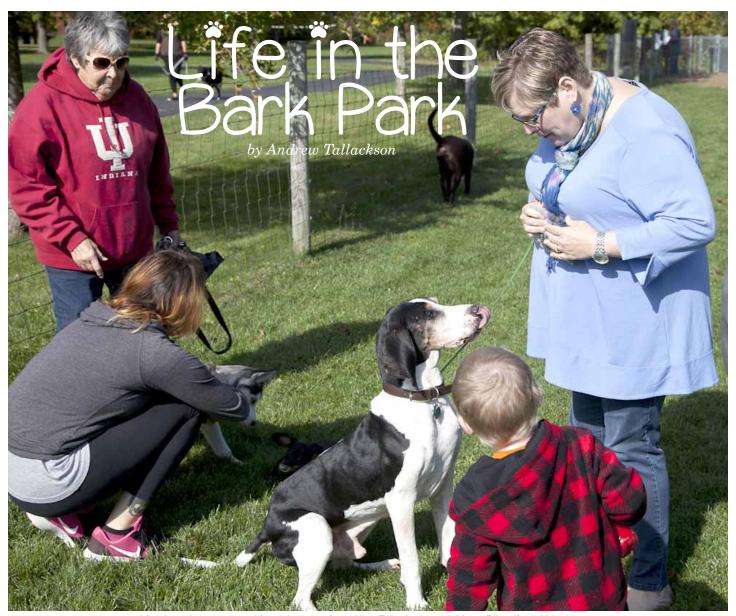


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Marvin makes an appeal for a dog treat from Alice Tallackson, with Marty Riley (far left) looking on.

The winding road into Creek Ridge County Park briefly enters a copse of trees that shields the driver from sunlight, the path blanketed with fallen leaves.

The picturesque journey, in a way, transforms the driver, re-emerging into daylight eager to embrace a leisurely state of mind.

Picnic shelters snap into view. To the far right are more than 3 acres dedicated to those of the four-

legged persuasion. The spectacle of it is invigorating. Dogs dart across the open area, leashless, with carefree abandon. Smaller pups mimic the behavior in a spot reserved for them. Some individuals recline against a chain-link fence. Others relax at a picnic table, engaged in lively conversation.

Creek Ridge's No-Leash Dog Exercise Area, or Continued on Page 2



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It's Time To Fall Back

Sunday, November 6th

Bark Park

"Bark Park," as it is affectionately called, is approaching its 10th anniversary. Over time, it has emerged as a tight-knit community of pet owners, complete with its own facebook page, "Pups of Creek Ridge Park."

Entering the enclosed area with my wife, Alice, our 10-year-old son, Will, and our 14-week-old miniature dachshund, Sadie, a "greeting committee" of sorts promptly arrives in the guise of 4-month-old Leia, a frisky Siberian Husky closely watched by her owner, Anthony Manley, Michigan City.

Leia, we learn, has all the makings of an "escape artist," Manley says, adding that huskies have reputations for "getting out and running."

Marty Riley, Long Beach, arrives with her 1-year-old chocolate lab, Jackson. Visiting the park four to five

times a week, she is one of the regulars, at one point telling me, "Jackson and Scooby play *really* well together."

(Scooby, as those who visit *The Beacher*'s facebook page know, is a 115-pound Great Dane "puppy" and the newspaper's mascot, frequenting not only the park, but the office as well.)

Riley's gentle observation makes something readily apparent. This is more than just an exercise area. It is the canine equivalent of a play date, where the "children" do their best to get along, and the "parents" exist as one big extended family, united not just by their love of animals, but through the convenience of 21st century social media.

La Porte County Parks and the Small Animal



Mary Rooney (left) and Barb Skierkowski relax with Tux and Jack.

Shelter offer "Bark Parks" at four locations:

- Bluhm County Park, 3855 S. County Road 1100 West, Westville 3 acres.
- Creek Ridge, 7943 W. County Road 400 North, Michigan City — 3.25 acres.
- Luhr County Park, 3178 S. County Road 150 West, La Porte 1 acre.

A Special Thanks

The Beacher would like to thank Andy Neal, not only for taking photos at the Bark Park, but also for coordinating through the "Pups of Creek Ridge Park" facebook page all the people who showed up to be interviewed.

• Small Animal Shelter, 2855 W. Indiana 2, La Porte — 1 acre.

Bluhm and Creek Ridge, in particular, feature a tire jump, dog walk, window jump, "Rover Jump Over," dog crawl and "Pause Table."

Daily use fees and annual memberships support the upkeep and operational costs. The payments/ registrations also help La Porte County Parks staff track how many people regularly visit with their pets. According to Recreation and Education Programmer Laura Moyer, La Porte County Parks averages 250 annual permits, with more than 300 dogs annually. The average daily visit is estimated at 150.



Elbert Mack walks through the park with J.B.

Creek Ridge's Bark Park debuted in 2007, the first one — Bluhm — unveiled a few years earlier. The advent of dog sites in La Porte County Parks, Moyer said, stemmed from the topic emerging at state and national conferences for parks and recre-

"We are family oriented," she said, "and dogs are part of our families, so we wanted to provide something as well.

What's Selling and What's Not?

That is the question I get constantly. There is a trivial answer, "Lower end always sells more units than the top end." But there are some interesting differences over the years listed below for the area between the steel mill and the Michigan line and between U.S. 12 and Lake Michigan. Time frames are from October 16th to October 15th, so data for 2015-16 is very current.

Year	0-440k	401- 800k	801- 1,200k	Above 1,200k	Total
05-06	61	35	6	3	105
11-12	68	26	5	3	102
13-14	78	31	4	8	121
14-15	96	42	7	2	147
15-16	101	38	9	2	150

2005-06 was a good year before "current time" and represents the status 10 years ago. 2011-12 was a down year overall. We look at the last three years to get some sense of the market in the present.

The lower end (below 401k) has really come alive in the past two years, way above (66% higher) even the good year of 2005-06. That bump started in 2013-14, edged up in 2014-15 (10%) and kept going this year.

The 401-800k range went down in 2011-12, peaked in 2014-15 and slipped just a bit these last 12 months. The 801-1,200k has always been around 5% for each year. 2013-14 had a real bump up (35%). This last year softened.

The \$801,000 to \$1.2 million range has shown some strength these past two years, but such small numbers are not enough for percentage comparisons. But this last year has been the best of the five years we studied.

The top end (over \$1,200,000) has consistently been fewer than 2% of the marketplace except for 2013-14, when it reached 6% of the marketplace.

2013-14 presents the most interesting data. It had a serious increase in three of the four price ranges. 2014-15 had a strong market in everything except the top. This year is strong in the 801-1,200k range and below 400k range.

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"Some things take a while to become a hit, but Bluhm was a hit immediately. People really enjoyed it. We had people from Porter County as well, so it was from both sides of the neighborhood."

The advantages of dog parks, Moyer continued, are twofold.

"Most people are happy because they can let their dogs loose," she said. "Maybe where they live, they don't have that opportunity.

"I have a dog, but I only have one, and it's like kids learning before they go to school. They need that socialization. Dogs are the same way. And, a lot of people have become friends, especially at Creek Ridge."

Enter "Pups of Creek Ridge Park."

Created by photographer Andy Neal, he and his wife, Kathy, a pharmacist at CVS near Karwick Plaza, have a profound attachment to their dog, Charlie. A gorgeous German Shepherd-chow mix, Charlie's life began amid considerable hardship. He was on his own, on the street, for nine months before staff at a Mishawaka pet shelter rescued him. He's 6 now, having lived with the Neals for five years. On this day, he is visibly elated as he barrels across the Bark Park's open field.

For Andy Neal, snapping photos of pets and their owners at Creek Ridge led to instant friendships. He made his first facebook post through "Pups of Creek Ridge Park" on July 10, 2015. Membership hovered at about three or four individuals.

"It started quickly," he said. "People would see pictures of their dogs and would share them and comment and then start coming out to the park. A lot of people, in fact, weren't aware of the Bark Park



Rufus, one of the Bark Park regulars.



Marvin howls for a treat.

at Creek Ridge."

Today, membership with "Pups of Creek Ridge" is at 240, with about 5,000 photos posted.

"Facebook is a great way to connect with people, and it's a great way to share pictures," Neal said. "I would make funny little comments because the dogs were always doing something funny, and people would make their own comments."

Marty Riley refers to Neal as the "Mayor of Bark Park." He laughs in response, affectionately shrugging off the title and saying everyone takes pride and ownership in the site.

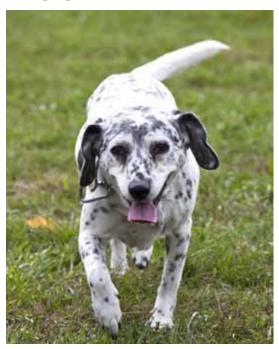
Creek Ridge's Bark Park, in some respects, has the feel of an ongoing family reunion. The owners know the names of each pet. They know which treats each prefers, which behaviors set them off and which tactics effectively calm them down. In-

> deed, there was a brief tussle between two dogs the pets rolling around as if sparring in a wrestling match — before the owners corralled them into separate corners, affording the necessary "time outs."

"That happens every once in a while," Riley explains.

Not too often, though, on this brisk fall Saturday. The moderate temperatures carry with them a slight chill, but the pets don't care. They appear ready to please, "sniffing out" newcomers and sitting at attention, eager for a back rub or tasty treat.

One of the most amiable is Marvin, a 7-year-old tree



The second Sadie of the day at the Bark Park.

walker coonhound with a playful demeanor and engaging howl that recalls a yodeler in full song.

"Marvin is a treat-eating machine," Neal says, rubbing the dog's neck. Theresa King, Michigan City, Marvin's owner, watches nearby, a smile on her face as the dog heads from person to person, hopeful another treat exists in the near future.

"It always brings up your spirit, coming out here," King said. "It's like therapy, watching all the dogs play together. And everyone is so nice. There's always something to talk about. In fact, I just learned how to play dominos."

Dominos?

Indeed, the social aspect of Creek Ridge's Bark Park applies to its human inhabitants. Guests may seat themselves at a picnic table, ready for a game of dominos. Or, they may just chat about the weather, their pets, coping with certain pet behaviors. Many Roppoy (from loft) Thorace King and Barh Skierkowski hyddla

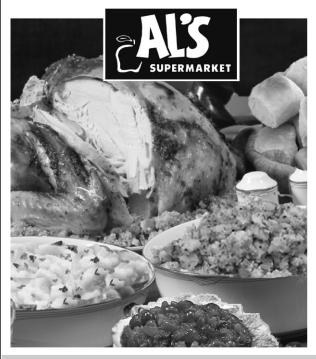
Mary Rooney (from left), Theresa King and Barb Skierkowski huddle around the picnic table as Jack, Marvin and Tux compete for affection.

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If You Go

The daily fee to use "Bark Parks" through La Porte County Parks and Small Animal Shelter, payable at boxes situated at the entrances, is \$3 for La Porte County residents or \$4 for out-of-county residents. Annual dues for local residents are \$30 for the first dog and \$10 for each additional dog. Out of county residents pay \$40 for the first dog. The annual memberships allow entrance to any of the four sites. Visit www.laportecountyparks.org/bark.html, call La Porte County Parks at (219) 325-8315 or (219) 325-8316, or La Porte County Small Animal Shelter at (219) 326-1637, for more details.

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"We try to avoid politics," Mary Rooney, Michigan City, said with a hearty laugh. A former Michigan City Area Schools educator, she retired in 2012 and tries to bring Tux, her 6-year-old standard poodle, as frequently as she can. Daily, if possible.

On this day, Rooney relaxes at a picnic table with Barb Skierkowski, also of Michigan City. She has been bringing Jack, her 4 1/2-year-old golden retriever, since he was but a few weeks old.



Roxy, who apparently has become Charlie's "girlfriend" at the Bark Park.

"It's bright, it's open, you feel so safe here," she said. "Everyone really cares. Everyone is so aware of the other dogs.

"My dog loves it here. When I say we're going, he goes by his stairway to get his leash. He knows."

Indeed, many owners bring their pets to Creek Ridge for the very reasons Moyer stressed.

For example, Josh Bowman, Michigan City, brings his two Siberian Huskies for the exercise.

"They're high-energy dogs," he said, "so it's great



Charlie arrives to greet Sadie at the Bark Park.

to have a spot for them to stretch their legs and socialize with other dogs."

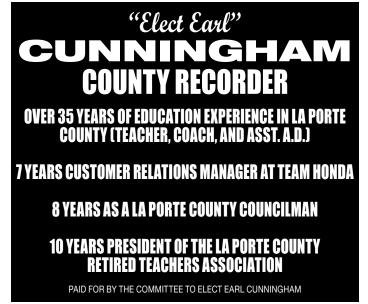
That, and the exercise, are crucial for Karla Hampton, Michigan City, who has brought her 9-year-old beagle mix, Sadie, to the park for the past two years.

"We don't have a fenced-in yard," she said, "so this is absolutely perfect. She gets off her leash, and she's gone."

Many of the people interviewed for this article, by the way, are members of "Pups of Creek Ridge Park." Neal points out that as members of the facebook page grew, so did attendance at the dog park. The regulars, indeed, are devoted, not just to Creek Ridge, but to their pets as well.

"Even on the worst day of the year (weatherwise)," Neal said, "come out here, and this side of the parking lot is half full. You can tell they're here for the Bark Park."





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Indiana Dunes Film Festival

Stories of Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore's influence take center stage during the Indiana Dunes Film Festival on Friday through Sunday, Nov. 4-6, at various Northwest Indiana locations.

Participants were asked to submit films in one or both categories:

- Happy Birthday Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore — A film no longer than two minutes that celebrates the park's 50 years and in some way says or implies Happy Birthday.
- The Calumet Region — A film no longer than 10 minutes that touches on the formation. existence and future of Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore as it relates to the larger Calumet region.

Films were selected based on technical merit, as well as the ability to tell a compelling story. The

schedule, which is subject to change, is:

Friday, Nov. 4

Green "Arrowhead" Carpet Night at South Shore Convention and Visitors Authority, 7770 Corinne Drive, Hammond.

- 6:30 p.m. Guests arrive.
- 7 p.m. Welcome greeting.
- 7:15 p.m. Showing of winning submitted films.
- 8:15 p.m. Filmmakers Pat Wisniewski, Carey Lundin and P.J. Nelson share clips from their films.
- 9:15 p.m. Event wrapup.

Saturday, Nov. 5 Paul H. Douglas Center in Gary's Miller Beach neighborhood.

- 10 a.m. Welcome and introduction.
- 10:15 a.m. "Lake Michigan Water Trail" by Dugout Canoe.
- 11:15 p.m. Panel with filmmakers.
- 11:45 a.m. Break with birthday cake.
- Noon New films with introduction by creators.
- 1 p.m. "Indiana Dunes Playground of the Midwest-Save the Dunes Circa 1955."
- 1:30 p.m. Panel with Save the Dunes and Wisniewski introducing "Shifting Sands."
- 2 p.m. "Everglades of the North."
- 3 p.m. Octave Chanute film with introduction by Simine Short.
- 3:30 p.m. "For the Common Good," a historical piece on Sen. Paul Douglas.

Indiana Dunes Visitor Center, 1215 N. Indiana 49, Porter

• 10 a.m. — Welcome and introduction to the festi-

val, complete with a birthday cake.

- 10:15 a.m. Showcase of two new films.
- 11:15 a.m. Jens Jenson, "The Living Green."
- 12:15 p.m. Presentation by Carey Lundin, filmmaker of "The Living Green."
- 12:45 p.m. Break.
- 1 p.m. Showcase of two new films with directors.
- 2 p.m. "Shifting Sands," with book signing and introduction by Ken Schoon.
- 3:15 p.m. "Riding the Rails of History" with

introduction by Nel-

Visit Michigan City La Porte at Marquette Mall.

- 11 a.m. Introduction and welcome.
- 11:15 a.m. Two new films, with introductions filmmakers.
- Noon "Shifting Sands."
- 1:15 p.m. Break.
- 1:30 p.m.

New films, with introductions by filmmakers.

- 2:15 p.m. "Lake Michigan Water Trail" by Dugout Canoe, with introduction by filmmaker.
- 3:30 p.m. Octave Chanute film with introduction by Short.

Sunday, Nov. 6 **South Shore Convention** and Visitors Authority

- 11 a.m. Introduction and welcome.
- 11:15 a.m. Two new films with introductions by filmmakers.
- Noon "Everglades of the North" with introduction by filmmaker.
- 1:15 p.m. Break.
- 1:30 p.m. New films with introductions by film-
- 2:15 p.m. "Lake Michigan Water Trail" by Dugout Canoe, with introduction by filmmaker.
- 3 p.m. "Riding the Rails of History" with introduction by Nelson.
- 3:30 p.m. Octave Chanute film with introduction by Short.

Barker Mansion, 631 Washington St.

- 11 a.m. Welcome and introduction.
- 11:15 a.m. Jens Jenson, "The Living Green," with introduction by Carey Lundin.
- 12:30 p.m. Showcase of two new films with introductions by filmmakers.
- 1:30 p.m. "For the Common Good."
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The Community Area is at Seventh and Franklin streets. The theme, hosted by Trail Creek Watershed Partnership, is "Green Infrastructure: Our City's Natural Art."

Participating businesses and attractions, which often host artists and/or entertainment, are:

- Art + Science Works, 622 Franklin St. Create works of art in the studio.
- The Closet by Franklin Vintage, 717 Franklin St. Suite A.
- Darling, 418 Franklin Square. Jackie Collins will display sterling bracelets, necklaces and rings.
- d'aprile properties, 827 1/2 Franklin St. La Porte studio artist Alayna Bublitz will display pottery.
- **Down Gallery, 523 Franklin St.** In the spotlight is Kris Kiser, Michigan City.
- FADA, 722 Franklin St. Beachbased Designs is the featured artist.
- First United Methodist Church, 121 E. Seventh St. Featured are Elizabeth Serynek's mixed-media work, Joe Serynek's found-metal sculpture and Darren Williams' landscapes.
- Lubeznik Canter for the Arts, 101 W. Second St. Celebrate *Dia de los Muertos* with Ballet Folkorico Tapiatio of Northwest Indiana. Performances begin at 6 p.m.
- Man About Town Haberdashery, 621 Franklin St. Traci Lampert of Southwest Michigan will display handcrafted rustic accent pieces.
- The Nest, 803 Franklin St. Robert Smeets will play hand pan drums.
- Nest Number 4, 717 Franklin St. Michigan artist Vicki Shead will showcase luxury wool felt accessories and home decor.

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- Paris House of Bridal, 728 Franklin St. Mary Chandler, Blue Moon Dance ballroom dance instructor, will host dance classes.
- Patina Vintage Goods, 621 Franklin St. Local artist Connie Sherrick will display paintings of the dunes and landmarks.
- Revive Consignments, 523 Franklin St. Former Indiana resident Michael Papps will showcase his Art Prize installation pieces.
- Southern Shore Art Association, 724 Franklin St. "Memories Evoked," which runs Nov. 4-27, involves photography centered on the theme "Reframing Yesterday."
- **Urban Soles Inc., 624 Franklin St.** Featured is Katie Lippens of Drifted Art and Design, who makes handmade pieces from beach findings.

Entertainment includes:

- **Maxine's, 521 Franklin St.** Luke Pytel presents jazz and blues at 9 p.m.
- First Friday Open Stage at Mainstreet Theatre, 807 N. Franklin St. Signup is at 7:30 p.m. Performances begin at 8 p.m. The cost is \$2 per performer and \$3 for audience members.





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Behind the Scenes Tour

Barker Mansion, 631 Washington St., will host a "Behind the Scenes Tour" highlighting typically offlimits spaces at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3.



The twohour tour, led Heritage Interpreter Austin Pittman, ventures into the basement, where an old electrical panel, laundry room and summer kitchen

An undated photo of the Barker Mansion dining room.

be found. It also includes a look at former servants' quarters, and allows guests into the archives, storage areas and other rooms.

"I really enjoy leading these type of tours," Pittman said in a press release. "People love seeing areas that they think of as forbidden or outlawed."

Space is limited to the first 15 people to arrive. Reservations are not taken. The cost is \$15 per adult and \$10 per youth 15 and younger. The Nov. 3 tour marks the only one this month.

Visit www.barkermansion.com for more details.

NB Library Community Forum

"The Discovery of the Higgs and What's Next" is the topic of the next Friends of New Buffalo Library Community Forum at 6:30 p.m. EDT Monday, Nov. 7, in the library Pokagon Room, 33 N. Thompson St.

Physicist Bob Blair will cover what the Higgs Boson is and how it was found, including background on the current view of the elementary particle world and what discoveries lie ahead.

The Higgs Boson was described as the "God particle" after it was discovered by scientists at CERN, the Large Hadron Collider in Switzerland.

Blair was a physicist at Argonne National Lab from 1984 until his recent retirement. For 20 years, he was a member of the ATLAS collaboration, one of the two groups that discovered Higgs.

Call the library at (269) 469-2933, follow the face-book link at newbuffalotownshiplibrary.org or email new.buffalo.FOL@gmail.com for more details.

Michigan City Historical Society

Michigan City Historical Society Inc. will host its 2016 annual membership meeting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at Barker Mansion, 631 Washington St.

The guest speaker is William Halliar, correspondent with *The Beacher* and organist for Old Lighthouse Museum. Call (219) 872-6133 for details.

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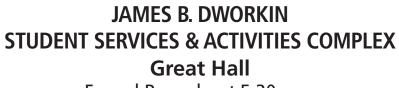
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Dunes Country Attraction: "Less is Considered More"

Editor's note — This column by Jim Morrow highlights the area's historic structures.

"Less is Considered More" is a compact home nestled in a wooded area at the bottom of a sand dune. The home fully exploits the setting without disturbing the natural terrain.

The house of insulation-packed concrete block ful-



The rectangular summer dwelling was built in 1959 in Beverly Shores.

fills its owners' desires for a low-maintenance building that can be used year-round. The open and flexible interior echoes the simplicity of the exterior.

Economical concrete block walls were painted charcoal to give the house a natural appearance by blending with surrounding tree trunks. Crosscuts of logs serve as a walk to the main entry, inside the screened porch and through the dining room sliding doors.

This simple rectangular summer dwelling was built in 1959 in Beverly Shores. At the time, the architect, Crombie Taylor, was acting director of the Institute of Design at the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago. In 1954, *Art and Architecture* published a story on a house designed by Taylor that was erected in Dunes Acres, the predecessor to the Beverly Shores Merrivale structure. This publication states the simplicity of planning and design, unpretentious use of material and the fact that this house is inexpensive make this modest structure rather important. The house is constructed of a concrete slab on grade, lightweight concrete block walls, 2x10 wood roof joist, fixed-plate glass walls

and steel-built sliding glass doors, central utility core and a forced warm air perimeter heating. The construction cost: \$8,000.

The Merrivale house built a few years later retains its original size and floorplan, including a screened-in patio

porch and fireplace. It also uses the same construction materials, including insulated glass rather than plate glass. True to Taylor designs, it incorporates the Bauhaus School International Style of Architecture with a flat rook, no roof overhang, large floor-to-ceiling glass windows and no ornamentation. A minimalist design where "less is considered more."

The Merrivale house has been renovated for yearround living, with added features including a passthrough dining counter between the kitchen and living area, and a whirlpool bathtub with views of the outdoors.

Taylor, an architect, teacher and preservationist, helped spread the influence of the Bauhaus School of Philosophy to American architecture during the 1950s and 1960s.

As stated in *The New York Times*, Taylor attended Penn State University and Princeton University. In 1944, he joined the Institute of Design, a Chicago school founded by former Bauhaus instructor Laszlo Moholy-Nagy. The school was a successor to New Bauhaus, so called because its faculty included



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prominent refugees from Nazi Germany. After Moholy-Nagy's death in 1946, Taylor became assistant director to the designer Serge Chermayeff.



Crombie Taylor

While in Chicago, Taylor became a passionate enthusiast of the work of Louis Sullivan, a pioneer of modern skyscraper design and Frank Lloyd Wright's mentor. Taylor was instrumental in the restoration of interior spaces at Sullivan's Auditorium at Chicago's Roosevelt University. Chicago architect John Vinci, Taylor's student at the time, said his restoration of the building's banquet

hall in 1967 was "a revelation that introduced a new way of thinking about Sullivan."

Taylor's own architectural work was spare, in the manner of Mies van Rohe, but distinguished by interiors furnished with 18th and 19th century antiques. For 23 years, he taught design at University of Southern California, where he developed team study approaches, expanded the curriculum and helped establish the Building Research Institute as part of the doctoral program. The American Institute of Architects honored Taylor's extensive work in 1973 by electing him a fellow. He passed away in 1999 at 85.

Another Taylor-designed house built in the dunes is a concrete block house built on a concrete slab. Used presently for weekends, it also is planned as a retirement house by its owners. Heat comes from ducts beneath the slab and pouring hot air over the glass walls. Utilities are located in a room off the porch to separate any noise connection of furnace motors from the house.

Glass walls are faced to the south and the north of the large living-dining room. This is done because the house overlooks Lake Michigan to the north and inland for many miles to the south. A large dressing room with separate door to the outside is provided for use by guests who may wish to go swimming. Interior partitions are of concrete block and in the living room are left exposed with a light of coat paint.

This house, simply executed, was conceived of as a platform for the beauty of the dunes and the lake. In this respect, it might be noted that it is intentionally modes, low and quiet, so that it need not intrude upon the natural beauty of the dunes.

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La Porte County Finalists Revealed for Lilly Scholarship

Unity Foundation of La Porte County announced the eight high school seniors named La Porte County finalists for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.

Two of those students will receive a full-tuition scholarship to pursue a baccalaureate degree at any accredited public or private Indiana college or university and an annual \$900 book stipend.

The 2017 finalists are:

- La Lumiere School: Stephanie Zaccone.
- La Porte High School: Bree Winter, David Toth.
- Marquette Catholic High School: Jenna Szaday.
- Michigan City High School: Sara Siegmund, Sarah Smith and Kaitlyn Steinhiser.
- South Central High School: Danielle Adams.

Unity received 74 applications for the scholarship. Applicants were judged on academic achievement, service to others, extracurricular activities and, to a lesser extent, financial need. A committee of local volunteers reviewed the applications, not knowing the names until after the finalists were selected. The eight teens then were interviewed, and nominee and alternate names submitted to Independent Colleges of Indiana Inc. for the final selection, which will be announced in December.

The fall-selection timeline is new this year, al-

lowing Lilly Scholars more time to apply to their desired Indiana colleges and universities.

Past La Porte County scholarship recipients are: Madeline Watterson, Rodrigo Serrano, Rebecca Yaw, Olivia Glowacki, Mariah Micallef, Johnna Belkiewitz, Benjamin Gibbs, Jared Dyjak, Brittany Belkiewitz, Mitchell Orzech, Ryan Byers, Kelsey Tuholski, Jill Fischer, Jackson Troxel, Jessica Nieman, Jana Hunsley, Mindy (Marsh) Heidel, Jada Anderson, Melissa Spurr, Aaron Albrecht, Peter Davis, Suzanne Dolembo, Laura Durazzo, Macara (Hostetler) Aloi, Patricia (Jongkind) Willhite, William Kelly, Andrew Knaup, Mary Kutch, Zachary Lute, Sara Mahoney, Cheryl Miller Winters, Mary Rodecap, Melanie Thomas, Elizabeth (Hunter) Van-Hook, Keith Kalvaitis, Kyle Kownacki, Brett Mc-Neal, Kathryn Meyers, Patricia Minich, Federico Pabon, Alexandra Pagels, Virginia Pagels, Teresa (Spence) Parkhouse, Sarah Valatka, Erica Valdez, Jennifer (Warfel) Juskiewicz, Sandra (Wood) Graves, Charles Zila, Angela Zolvinski, Jonathan Gray, Jessica Thompson, Anna Kammrath, Karen Wassel, Sondra Jeske, Robert Wedow, Yana Alekseeva and Ian Nielson.

Visit www.uflc.net or call (219) 879-0327 for more details on Unity Foundation.

Fernwood Holiday Market

Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve will host its Holiday Market Preview Party from 6 to 8 p.m. EDT Friday, Nov. 4.

The evening includes food and drinks while browsing local artisans, specialty food vendors and growers of plant material. A silent auction is planned, while shoppers may place wreath orders.



Visitors peruse the many items available during last year's Holiday Market Preview Party.

Tickets are \$40, or \$75 per couple. Online reservations can be made at www.fernwoodbotanical.org by Thursday, Nov. 3.

The market, admission to which is free, is from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. EDT Saturday, Nov. 5. It features jewelry, handmade kitchen items, ornaments and stuffed animals, clay whistles and pottery, handcrafted baskets, lavender products and specialty plants, textiles, original art, cards and food items.

Fernwood is located at 13988 Range Line Road, Niles, Mich. Call (269) 695-6491 for details.

Holiday Extravaganza

St. Stanislaus Convent Shop, 1501 Franklin St., will host a "Holiday Extravaganza" starting from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 5-6.

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Michiana Geocachers Film Festival

The Michiana Geocachers International Film Festival is Sunday, Nov. 6, at Indiana Dunes Visitor Center's auditorium, 1215 N. Indiana 49, Porter.

The two film screenings are at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., showcasing the 16 contest finalists from around the world. Each of the films are one to four minutes and show the high-tech hobby of geocaching as a family friendly scavenger hunt adventure.

Geocachers from Northwest Indiana, Southwest Michigan and Canada will be present.

Contact Nancy Lakin at (219) 921-9098 for more information.

Book Signing

Christian Porter, La Crosse Junior Varsity coach and Westville High School graduate, will have a book signing for "Buckets: An Indiana High School Basketball Book" from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at J-MARt BP, 10300 W. U.S. 30, Wanatah.

The book celebrates Indiana basketball folkore, from the 1950 Union Mills team to the 1984 Rogers team that went 28-1 and featured Mr. Basketball and *USA Today* Player of the Year, Delray Brooks.

The cost is \$15. Visit "Buckets: An Indiana High School Basketball Book" and The J-MARt BP on facebook for more details.

Origami Class

Leslie Cefali will teach a "Very Beginner, Absolute Beginner, Very Basic Paper/Origami Class" from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, at Chesterton Art Center, 115 S. Fourth St.

The class includes basic, beginning origami folds and other related skills. Many models taught can be used to make notecards, greeting cards or holiday decorations. The cost is \$40, with members receiving a \$5 discount. Information about the kind of paper to take will be sent once registered, or paper can be purchased for \$5 the day of the class.

Call (219) 926-4711 to register.

Mercantile Holiday Celebration

Featuring folk art, primitive antiques and early wares, the Mercantile Holiday Celebration is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 5-6, at Fawn Run Farm, 3883 E. County Road 700 North, Rolling Prairie.

Many of the offerings are created by folk artist/proprietor Marcy Dailey and local artisans. The event also features light refreshments, door prizes and free decorating ideas.

Visit www.fawnrunfarmprimitives.com for additional information.

Michigan City Public Library

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

• South Shore Scribes at 6 p.m. Thursdays, Nov. 3 and 17.

The writing group meets the first and third Thursdays each month.

• Free Gentle Flow Yoga at 12:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5.

Certified yoga instructor Lauralee Sikorski emphasizes deep breathing and releasing stress. Take a mat and wear comfortable attire, and come on an empty stomach.

• "Hoosiers — The Story of Indiana: The Next Indiana" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6.

In recognition of the Indiana bicentennial, the

library will facilitate a dialogue through the film produced by WFYI Public Media and Indiana Humanities. It spotlights Hoosiers taking on challenges so their communities are better prepared for the future. Afterward, Purdue Professor Emeritus Matthew Kubik will lead a discussion on those challenges and the idea of "quality of place."



Kubik

The library received a grant from the Indiana Humanities in partnership with

WFYI Public Media to show the film and host the discussion.

• Story Time at 1 p.m. Tuesdays, Nov. 8, 15 and 29, and 10 a.m. Wednesdays, Nov. 9, 16 and 30.

Children birth to age 5 and adults will enjoy stories, songs and crafts. Arrive a few minutes early to receive a name tag.

• Angels of Gratitude at 3 p.m. Wednesday, **Nov. 9.**

Ange Benz leads the program that involves creating scenes and experiences of gratitude with visual imaging. Call Benz at (219) 874-3754.

Contact Robin Kohn at (219) 873-3049 for more information on library programming.

Big Comedy at the Little Theatre

Big Comedy at the Little Theatre will use a night of improv to benefit Girls on the Run from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at La Porte Little Theatre Club. 218 A St.

The two improv teams are Same Difference and Disposable Theatre. Tickets are \$15. Doors open at 6 p.m., with the show at 7 p.m.

Girls on the Run provides transformational learning programs. Visit www.bigcomedylaporte.com for details on the show.

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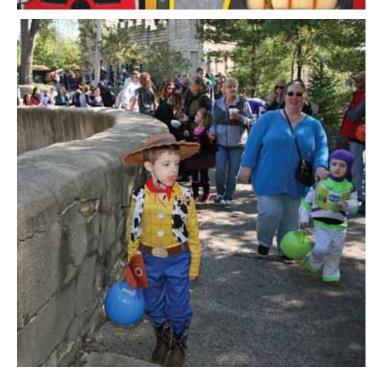
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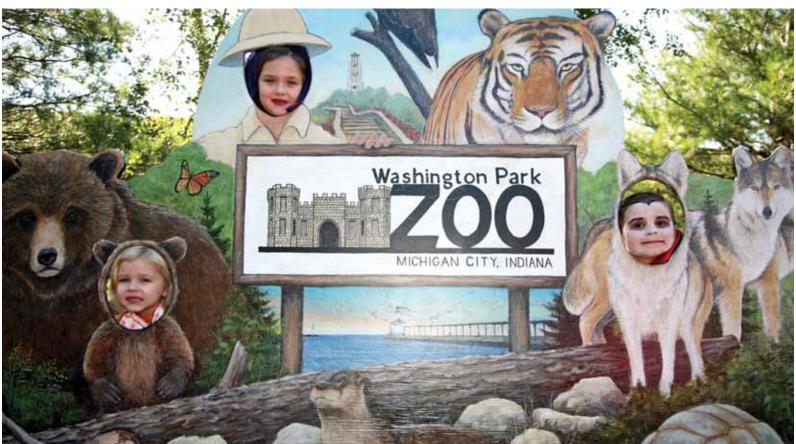
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Westchester Public Library

The following programs are available:

• Bits & Bytes series, Holiday 3-D Design, from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, in the Thomas Library Serials/Automation Department, 200 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.

Registration is required by visiting or calling the IT Department at (219) 926-7696, or registering at www.wpl.lib.in.us. Click on the Bits & Bytes link.

• Teen Library Council from 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, in the Thomas Library Bertha Wood Meeting Room.

Teens in grades 6-12 can recommend library programs, books and other programs for Teen Services. Community service hours are available.

• Chesterton Writing Group from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, in the Thomas Library Bertha Wood Meeting Room.

The group is open to adult writers – fiction or nonfiction — of all levels, whether published or unpublished. Attendees share their work and learn about publishing.

• Family Coloring Friday Nights from 5 to 7 p.m. Fridays at Hageman Library, 100 Francis St., Porter.

Materials are provided, but patrons can take their own. No registration is necessary.

• Kids Science Explorer Club at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, at the Thomas Library Children's Department.

Duneland School Corp. teacher Kim Stahura leads the science-based program for children 6 and older. The focus this month is making and testing bungee cords. Registration is required in person or by calling (219) 926-7696.

• Museum Zombie Room Escape on Friday, Nov. 4, at Westchester Township History Museum, 700 W. Porter Ave., Chesterton.

Local teacher and actor Rory McMahan will play the zombie. Players follow clues, solve puzzles and find the key to escape the room before the zombie gets loose. Teens play from 5 to 7 p.m. and adults from 8 to 10 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help decorate the setting. Registration is required to participate by calling (219) 926-7696.

• Make N Take Kids Craft Time on Saturday, Nov. 5, at Thomas Library.

Children can stop by the Children's Department anytime during the day (while supplies last) and make a turkey craft.

• Teen Movie Night: "Warcraft" at 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Library Service Center, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.

The movie is Rated PG-13. Free popcorn will be available.

• Knitting Together from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6, at Westchester Township History Museum.

Area knitters, and those who crochet or do needlework, are invited.



"Warcraft."

• Everybody Has a Story Writing Workshop from 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, Nov. 7, 14 and 21, at Thomas Library.

Professional writer Mo Vear will present lessons, inspirations and tips on preserving memories through writing. Registration is required in person or by calling (219) 926-7696.

• Popular Books at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, in Thomas Library's Bertha Wood Meeting Room.

The focus is Lindy Woodhead's "Shopping, Seduction & Mr. Selfridge."

• Bifocal Bookies at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8, at Hageman Library.

The focus is Karen Harper's "The Royal Nanny."

• Mad About Mysteries at 2 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, Nov. 9 and 12, at Westchester Township History Museum.

Joan Costello will discuss Barbara Ross' Maine Clambake Mysteries. Refreshments will be served.

• Pokemon League from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays at Thomas Library.

The program is aimed at children in first grade and older. Attendees learn to make decks of 60 cards. They don't need to take anything unless wanting to take a starter pack of cards.

• Children's Crochet Club from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Thomas Library Bertha Wood Meeting Room.

Aimed at children in third grade and older, attendees learn beginning crochet from Sadie Steciuch. Children should take a size G crochet hook and skein of medium weight yarn. Class size is limited, and registration is required by calling (219) 926-7696.



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The Center for Creative Solutions will present its fall forum, "Harvesting a Creative Culture," from 8 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Northern Indiana Education Foundation, 402 Franklin Square.

Open to the public, the forum is geared toward people interested in entrepreneurship and innovation. It will focus on the 10 proven elements that make up environments where innovation thrives: idea-time, challenging work, freedom, trust, playfulness/humor, (lack of) conflict, idea support, debate and risk-taking. Research shows when these elements exist, a business or organization will:

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 The forum will offer multiple, short sessions that examine creativity in personal, professional, businesses and community lives. Regional entrepreneurs and innovators will share first-hand, practical experience with shaping creative environments.



Among the speakers is La Porte native Christopher Lain. Earning a bachelor's degree in management of the arts from Columbia College, he remained in Chicago and launched his career in retail. He managed Kahler Luggage Express, Ann Klein, Eddie Bauer and Bed, Bath and Beyond. After 15 years, he took

a risk, relocating to Savanna, Ill., a historic town on the Mississippi River with a population of about 3,000. With his partner, Lain opened the Savannna Marketplace, a shop featuring more than 80 local artisans and a specialty coffee bar. From there, the two opened Blue Bedroom Inn. Currently, they are working on refurbishing an abandoned building, also on Savanna's Main Street. He serves as president of the Savanna Chamber of Commerce and Savanna in Motion, the latter a group of citizens dedicated to revitalizing Savanna.

The registration fee is \$30 per person and \$50 for two people from one organization. Included are presentations, activities, materials, refreshments and a networking lunch. Contact the center at (219) 861-0955 or creativity52@comcast.net by Thursday, Nov. 10, with payment due no later than at the door.



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The money was raised through an annual silent auction held Sunday at the Great Lakes Grand Prix. Half will benefit the Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps and the other half the Safe Harbor "Growing Up Green" program.

Linda Simmons, Visit Michigan City La Porte marketing director, and community relations manager Jane Daley presented a \$1,645 check to MCAS Superintendent Barbara Eason-Watkins, John Tiedeman of Safe Harbor, Maj. Thomas McGrath of MCJROTC and the entire school board.

"Growing Up Green" is coordinated through Safe Harbor to teach children how to create a healthy community lifestyle through gardening, where children have equal access to healthy and sustainably produced food and ornamental plants, and where food literacy is supported through educational and hands-on activities. It is supported by several local partners, including MCAS, Purdue Cooperative Extension, La Porte County Soil and Water Conservation District, Visit Michigan City La Porte, Beachside Garden Center, Green Spirit Farm and La Porte County and Porter County Master Gardeners.

As for Michigan City High School's JROTC, the group last year performed more than 2,700 hours of community service and participated in 48 area parades and ceremonies. It also fields military drill and marksmanship teams that compete with schools from across Indiana and Illinois and have earned numerous awards. The program also coordinates a summer camp for four high schools, providing a week-long experience of adventure skills and leadership decision-making.







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Membership Drive Performance

As part of La Porte County Historical Society's membership drive, Muscovite Repertory Theater Co. will perform Dan Schaaf's update of the silent movie musical "Aelita, Queen of Mars" at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, at La Porte County Historical Society Museum, 2405 Indiana Ave., La Porte.

The Russian science-fiction film debuted in 1924. Schaaf, Michigan City, added dialogue, sound effects and songs presented by company members Sandy Gleim, Robert Richter, Susie Richter, Larry Jortner and Noel Carlson.

Doors open at 6 p.m. The show will be performed on the museum's lower level. Refreshments will be served, and Martian costumes are welcome.

Admission is \$15, which is the cost of a yearly Historical Society membership. Members are entitled to free admission to the museum and most special events, and the quarterly newsletter, "The Oldletter." Membership forms can be filled out Nov. 4 or ahead of time by visiting the museum.

Call (219) 324-6767 or visit www.laportecounty-history.org for more details.

Messiah Chorus Rehearsals

Rehearsals for the 52nd annual "Messiah" start Thursday, Nov. 10, at First Presbyterian Church, 121 W. Ninth St.

Previous and new chorus members are invited to the evening rehearsals, which continue each Thursday through Dec. 17, with no rehearsal Thanksgiving day. Philip Bauman, now in his 22nd season as La Porte County Symphony Orchestra music director, returns for his second year as conductor.

The concert, held in the church sanctuary, is at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, with a preview performance at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 17. A free-will offering will be accepted at the close of each performance. Call the church office at (219) 879-4501 for details.

Pysanky Egg Classes

Mary Acton will host two *Pysanky* egg classes for adults and children 10 and older at Chesterton Art Center. 115 S. Fourth St.

Students learn the art of *Pysanky* egg dying using wax to control the various dyes. Participants may choose from a variety of patterns or design their own. By the end of the class, each person will have completed an egg or two.

Class size is limited to 10 to afford each student individual attention. Times are 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 12. Each class costs \$45, with members receiving a \$5 discount.

Call the center at (219) 926-4711 to register.

"Latin Rhythms!"

La Porte County Symphony Orchestra will present the concert "Latin Rhythms!" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at La Porte Civic Auditorium, 1001 Ridge St.

From the quietness of Aaron Copland to rousing Broadway selections from "West Side Story," the program will celebrate color, choreography and instrumentals from guest performers *Xel-Ha Escuela de Danza*, directed by Debra Bolanos, Blue Moon Dance, directed by Mary Chandler, and *Mariachi Acero*, directed by Larry Lane.



Xel-Ha Escuela de Danza

Additional solo performances by LCSO members include Charles Steck on trumpet and Kathryn Brt-ko on oboe.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$18 for seniors. Students with a valid ID are free. Tickets may be purchased at www.lcso.net or at:

- La Porte Civic Auditorium, 1001 Ridge St., La Porte.
- Roxy Music, 1012 Lincolnway, La Porte.
- Visit Michigan City La Porte tourism bureau at Marquette Mall.

Call (219) 362-9020 or visit www.lcso.net for more details.

Vintage Veterans Basketball Classic

The La Porte County Family YMCA will hold its second Vintage Veterans Basketball Classic fundraiser at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at Red Devil Gym, 1202 Spring St.

The event features an all-star roster of players through the years from La Porte and Michigan City men's basketball teams, as well as Michigan City and La Porte cheerleaders. The aim also is to honor military men and women past and present.

Proceeds benefit the La Porte County Family YMCA Scholarship Fund.

Enter through Door L. The cost is \$5, or \$15 per family. Purchase tickets from the athletic departments at Michigan City and La Porte high schools, Visit Michigan City La Porte at Marquette Mall, any YMCA branch (La Porte, Michigan City Elston or Long Beach) or by texting VINTAGE to 71777.

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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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1. Mary Lou McFadden	167
1. Nancy Kubath	167
2. Tammy Vouri	165
3. Liz Lutterbach	162
4. Cindy Beck	159
4. Tammy Nelmar	159
5. Celena Byrnes	157
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Indiana Dunes State Park

The following programs are offered:

Thursday and Friday, Nov. 3-4

• 5:30 p.m. — Owl Banding: Behind the Scenes!

The program, limited to five participants, includes visiting nets and extracting owls. The cost is \$50. Registration is required by calling the Nature Center at (219) 926-1390.

Saturday, Nov. 5

• 10 a.m. — Late Fall Color Jaunt.

Meet at the Nature Center for the moderate 45-minute hike through sassafras woodlands.

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Sunday, Nov. 6

• 10 a.m. — Feed the Birds.

Meet a naturalist outside the Nature Center for the daily feeding.

ullet 2 p.m. — 100 Years of Indiana State Parks.

Meet at the Nature Center auditorium for the 45-minute PBS documentary.

Wednesday, Nov. 9

• 4 p.m. — Owl Banding: Behind the Scenes!

The program, limited to five participants, includes visiting nets and extracting owls. The cost is \$50. Registration is required by calling the Nature Center at (219) 926-1390.

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.

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore

The following programs are available:

• First Saturday Night Stargazing Program on Nov. 5 at the Kemil Beach parking area.

View the night sky through telescopes from the park's darkest site. Call (219) 395-1821 for the time. The Kemil Beach parking lot is located at 27 N. East State Park Road, Chesterton.

• Parents and toddlers can participate in the Nature Tots program from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the Paul H. Douglas Center.

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America Recycles Day Events Planned at Al's Supermarkets



Alicia Ebaugh, La Porte County Solid Waste District educator, and Dick Reel, SWD Citizens Advisory Board member, participate in last year's America Recycles Day at Al's East.

Take plastic bags for recycling and get a free reusable bag at one of four America Recycles Day events this month.

The La Porte County Solid Waste District again has teamed with Al's Supermarkets to promote recycling in the county. All Al's events are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The dates are:

- Monday, Nov. 14 Al's Franklin, 3535 Franklin St., Michigan City.
- Tuesday, Nov. 15 Al's East, 702 E. Lincolnway, La Porte.
- Wednesday, Nov. 16 Al's Karwick, 1002 N. Karwick Road, Michigan City.

New this year is J-MARt BP, 10300 U.S. 30, Wanatah, with the America Recycles Day event set for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17.

The reusable bags are courtesy of Al's and Republic Services, the district's curbside recycling contractor. Visitors receive one for every 50 plastic bags submitted.

Last year's efforts collected 14,198 plastic bags, according to Alicia Ebaugh, district education and public outreach coordinator.

The amount of bags collected for recycling this year was less than last year, but that's actually a good thing, a sign the district's educational efforts are having a positive effect.

America Recycles Day, celebrated on Nov. 15, is the only nationally recognized day and coast-tocoast community-driven awareness campaign dedicated to promoting and celebrating recycling in the United States.

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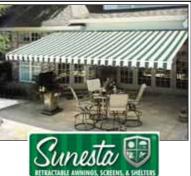




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Nov. 3 — "Behind the Scenes Tour," 7 p.m., Barker Mansion, 631 Washington St. Cost: \$15/adults, \$10/youth 15 & younger. Info: www.barkermansion.com

Nov. 3-4 — Owl Banding: Behind the Scenes!, 5:30 p.m., Nature Center @ Indiana Dunes State Park, 1600 N. County Road 25 East, Chesterton. Cost: \$50. Registration: (219) 926-1390.

Nov. 4 — First Friday in the Chapel, steel-drum performer Kent Arnsbarger, noon, La Porte Hospital Family Chapel, 1007 Lincolnway. Free. Info: (219) 326-2333.

Nov. 4 — First Fridays Art Walk, 5-8 p.m., Uptown Arts District (downtown Michigan City).

Nov. 4 — Opening reception, "Memories Evoked," 5-8 p.m., Southern Shore Art Association, 724 Franklin St.

Nov. 4 — *Dia de los Muertos* celebration, Ballet Folkorico Tapiatio of Northwest Indiana, 5-8 p.m., Lubeznik Canter for the Arts, 101 W. Second St.

Nov. 4 — Museum Zombie Room Escape for Teens and Adults, Westchester Township History Museum, 700 W. Porter Ave., Chesterton. Teens: 5 -7 p.m./adults: 8-10 p.m.

Nov. 4 — La Porte County Historical Society membership drive performance, "Aelita, Queen of Mars," 7 p.m., La Porte County Historical Society Museum, 2405 Indiana Ave., La Porte. Cost: \$15. Info: (219) 324-6767, www.laportecountyhistory.org

Nov. 4-7 — Vickers Theatre, 6 N. Elm St., Three Oaks, Mich. *Now showing*: "The Dressmaker." Rated R. Times: 6 p.m. Fri.-Mon. *Also*: "The Beatles: Eight Days a Week — The Touring Years." Not rated. Times: 9 p.m. Fri.-Sat., 2:30 p.m. Sat.-Sun. All times Eastern. Info: vickerstheatre.com

Nov. 5 — Late Fall Color Jaunt, 10 a.m., Nature Center @ Indiana Dunes State Park, 1600 N. County Road 25 East, Chesterton. Registration: (219) 926-1390.

Nov. 5 — 13th Annual Harvest Home Tour fundraiser (Michiana Humane Society). Check-in: 11:30 a.m. EDT @ It's a Breeze, 15300 Red Arrow Highway, Lakeside, Mich. After party: 4-7 p.m. EDT, Judith Racht Gallery, 13689 Prairie Road, Harbert, Mich. Ticket info: www.michianahumanesociety.org

Nov. 5 — Free Gentle Flow Yoga, 12:15 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

Nov. 5 — Teen Movie Night: "Warcraft," 5 p.m., Westchester Public Library Service Center, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.

Nov. 5 — First Saturday Night Stargazing Program, Kemil Beach parking area, 27 N. East State Park Road, Chesterton. Time: (219) 395-1821.

Nov. 5 — Big Comedy at the Little Theatre, 7-9 p.m., La Porte Little Theatre Club, 218 A St. Tickets: \$15. Doors open @ 6 p.m., show @ 7 p.m. Info:

www.bigcomedylaporte.com

Nov. 5 — La Porte County Symphony Orchestra, "Latin Rhythms!," 7:30 p.m., La Porte Civic Auditorium, 1001 Ridge St. Tickets: \$20/adults, \$18/seniors. Info: (219) 362-9020, www.lcso.net

Nov. 5-6 — Kickoff, "Holiday Extravaganza," 10 a.m.-4 p.m., St. Stanislaus Convent Shop, 1501 Franklin St.

Nov. 5-6 — Mercantile Holiday Celebration, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Fawn Run Farm, 3883 E. County Road 700 North, Rolling Prairie. Info: www.fawnrunfarmprimitives.com

Nov. 5-6 — New Randall Higdon nautical water-color paintings, noon-5 p.m. EDT, The Courtyard Gallery, 813 E. Buffalo St., New Buffalo, Mich. Info: (800) 291-9287, gallery@courtyardfineart.com

Nov. 5-6 — Staged radio play, "The Wizard of Oz!," The Acorn Theater, 107 Generations Drive, Three Oaks, Mich. Times (Eastern): 8 p.m. Sat./4 p.m. Sun. Tickets: \$15. Info: www.acorntheater. com, (269) 756-3879.

Nov. 6 — DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS.

Nov. 6 — Pancake breakfast/bake sale, 7-11 a.m., Springfield Township Volunteer Fire Department, 7111 N. County Road 300 West. Tickets: \$7/adults, \$3/children 6-12, free/children 6 & younger.

Nov. 6 — Michiana Geocachers International Film Festival, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Indiana Dunes Visitor Center auditorium, 1215 N. Indiana 49, Porter. Info: (219) 921-9098.

Nov. 6 — "Hoosiers — The Story of Indiana: The Next Indiana," 2 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

Nov. 7 — Friends of New Buffalo Library Community Forum, "The Discovery of the Higgs and What's Next," 6:30 p.m. EDT, library Pokagon Room, 33 N. Thompson St. Info: (269) 469-2933.

Nov. 7-Jan. 6, 2017 — Exhibit, Dorothy Graden, Laurel Izard & Edwin Shelton, Visit Michigan City La Porte. Opening reception: 5-8 p.m. Nov. 18.

Nov. 8 — ELECTION DAY.

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

Wednesdays — Al-Anon meetings, 6-7 p.m., Franciscan Alliance-St. Anthony Health. Info: (708) 927-5287.

In the Region

Nov. 4-5 — Holiday Market, Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve, 13988 Range Line Road, Niles, Mich. Preview Party: 6-8 p.m. EDT Nov. 4. Tickets: \$40/\$75 per couple. Online reservations: www.fernwoodbotanical.org. Market (free): 10 a.m.-5 p.m. EDT Nov. 5. Info: Call (269) 695-6491.

Nov. 4-19 — "Irving Berlin's White Christmas," Elkhart Civic Theatre @ Bristol (Ind.) Opera House, 210 E. Vistula St. Times (Eastern): 7:30 p.m. Nov. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 3 p.m. Nov. 13. Tickets: \$19/adults, \$17/students & seniors 62+. Reservations: (574) 848-4116, www.elkhartcivictheatre.org









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WEEK HISTORY



On November 3, 1837, Illinois housewives were up in arms over the cost of living. A pound of butter cost 8 cents, eggs were 6 cents a dozen, beef was 3 cents a pound, pork was 2 cents, coffee was 20 cents a pound and sugar was 10 cents a pound.

On November 3, 1900, the nation's first automobile show opened in New York's Madison Square Garden.

On November 3, 1957, the *Sputnik 2* satellite was launched by the Soviet Union. On board was a dog named Laika that was sacrificed in the experiment.

On November 3, 1983, Rev. Jesse Jackson declared his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination. He became the first black to mount a full-scale campaign.

November 4, 1825, the first boat reached New York City via the Erie Canal, nine days after leaving the Great Lakes port of Buffalo.

On November 4, 1842, Abraham Lincoln and Mary Todd were united in marriage.

On November 4, 1880, the cornerstone was laid for Chicago's Michael Reese Hospital.

On November 4, 1890, the city of Chicago annexed the villages of West Roseland and Washington Heights.

On November 4, 1939, the first completely airconditioned car (a Packard) went on exhibit at the Chicago Automobile Show.

On November 5, 1605, the "Gunpowder Plot," designed to blow up England's House of Parliament, failed. The day is celebrated as "Guy Fawkes Day," named for the leader of the botched effort.

On November 5, 1733, publisher John Peter Zenger began printing the *New York Weekly*, the colony's first political newspaper.

On November 5, 1872, suffragist Susan B. Anthony was fined \$100 for attempting to vote in the presidential election. She adamantly refused to pay the fine.

On November 5, 1974, Ella T. Grasso was elected governor of Connecticut, the first woman to be elected governor who did not succeed her husband.

On November 6, 1833, with Chicago's population at 150, the Board of Trustees extended the town's boundaries to Jackson Street on the south, Jefferson and Cook Streets on the west and Ohio Street on the north.

On November 6, 1860, Abraham Lincoln defeated three other candidates for the office of President of

the United States.

On November 6, 1869, in the first official intercollegiate football game played in the United States, Rutgers defeated Princeton by a score of 6-4.

On November 6, 1917, a popular referendum granted women in the state of New York the right to vote.

On November 6, 1928, presidential election results were flashed on an electronic sign on the *New York Times* building, reporting the results of Herbert Hoover's victory over Alfred Smith.

On November 6, 1993, the Chicago Bulls christened the new United Center with a loss against Miami, 95-71; guard B.J. Armstrong was the first Bull to score in the new building.

On November 7, 1874, in a cartoon drawn by Thomas Nast, which was published in *Harper's Weekly*, the elephant was used for the first time as the symbol for the Republican Party.

On November 7, 1916, Montana's Republican Jeannette Rankin became the first woman elected to the United States House of Representatives.

On November 7, 1967, President Lyndon Johnson signed a bill establishing the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

On November 7, 1989, Virginia's L. Douglas Wilder became the first elected black governor in the nation's history.

On November 7, 1998, John Glenn, the 77 year-old senator and former astronaut, returned to Earth aboard the space shuttle *Discovery* after a nine-day mission.

On November 7, 1999, Tiger Woods became the first golfer since Ben Hogan in 1953 to win four straight tournaments.

On November 7, 2000, Hillary Clinton was elected to the Senate in New York – the first ex-first lady to win public office.

On November 8, 1793, the "Louvre" in Paris was first opened to the public.

On November 9, 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt sailed by ocean liner to visit the Panama Canal Zone, becoming the first sitting President to leave the United States.

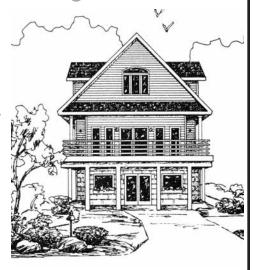
On November 9, 1938, in what became known as "Crystal Night" (because of the shards of glass that littered the streets), bands of Nazi thugs roamed the streets of Germany, destroying Jewish homes, synagogues, and businesses.

On November 9, 1967, a $Saturn\ V$ rocket carrying an unmanned Apollo spacecraft blasted off from Cape Kennedy on a successful test flight.

On November 9, 1989, overjoyed East Germans breached the Berlin Wall for the first time, symbolizing the end of the Cold War.



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Professor's Play in Spotlight



Lucrecia Guerrero, Purdue University Northwest limited term lecturer of English, is among a group of writers whose work will be featured in "Finding Home," an Indiana Repertory Theater production celebrating Indiana's bicentennial.

"Finding Home" opened in Indianapolis on Oct. 22 and continues through Nov. 13.

While the piece was written for the stage, Guerrero is best known as a writer of prose fiction. Her novel "Tree of Sighs" won the 2011 Premio Aztlan Literary Award and a Christopher Isherwood Fellowship. Her short fiction has been featured in magazines such as *The Antioch Review* and *Glimmer Train*, while some of her short work has been published in the volume "Chasing Shadows."

At PNW, Guerrero has taught creative writing and Hispanic-American literature.

Tourism Bureau Exhibit

Visit Michigan City La Porte at Marquette Mall will highlight local artists Dorothy Graden, Laurel Izard and Edwin Shelton on Monday, Nov. 7, through Friday, Jan. 6, 2017, with an opening reception from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18.

Graden, a retired kindergarten teacher, has traveled across the country for years to view petroglyphs, compiling photographs of the rare indigenous images. Her work includes earthenware sculptures and mixed media on handmade paper. She visits La Porte's Hook Pottery & Paper to make the paper.

Izard recently retired after nine years as a high school art teacher. She has been working on tarotthemed embroideries, with one piece requiring four to six weeks to complete. South Shore Arts awarded second place to one her embroideries at the 2016 juried salon exhibit. She has a Master of Fine Arts in ceramics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, is an Area Artists Association member and participated in the summer artists' residency at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign this past summer.

Shelton has been working on a series of drawings and panels based on "two spirits." The mixed-material drawings either are on acid-free tag board or handmade paper. He is influenced by outsider art, is an Area Artists Association member and received a Master of Fine Arts in sculpture from University of Wisconsin-Madison. He currently is an art teacher at Marquette Catholic High School who also worked as program director at Lubeznik Center for the Arts for about five years.

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The remaining racks of consignment clothing, plus accessories, shoes and jewelry, are being offered for sale at 1/2 off, one last time, with an additional bonus discount of 20% on purchases over \$100. 30% off over \$200 and 40% off \$300.

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- Midwest Warehousing Co., 3999 Hupp Road, Building R-5-2, Kingsbury, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3.
- Purdue University Northwest, Library Student Faculty Building, Room 144, 1401 S. U.S. 421, Westville, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8.
- Westville High School, 207 E. Valparaiso, Westville, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9.

Donors must be in good general health and feeling well, at least 17 (16 with parental consent) and weigh at least 110 pounds. Call (800) 733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org for more details.

Fall Pancake Breakfast

Springfield Township Volunteer Fire Department, 7111 N. County Road 300 West, will host its annual fall pancake breakfast and bake sale from 7 to 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 6.

The all-you-can-eat breakfast includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, coffee, juice and milk. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$3 for children 6-12 and free for children 6 and younger.

La Porte County Parks



All registrations/questions go through the Red Mill County Park Administrative Office, 0185 S. Holmesville Road, La Porte. Call (219) 325-8315 or visit www.laportecountyparks.org for more details.

Nature's Tiny Tots

Designed for parents and grandparents, explore nature with toddlers and preschoolers. Enjoy music, dancing, storytelling and, weather permitting, hiking.

The free program is from 10 to 11 a.m. Nov. 14 and 28, and Dec. 5, 12 and 19 at Luhr County Park Nature Center, 3178 S. County Road 150 West. Call (219) 325-8315 at least one week in advance to register.

Parent & Child Discovery Days

The program includes arts and crafts, games and snacks. All activities are related to the topic. Programs are appropriate for children 3 to 8, with an adult required to participate. Times are from 6 to 7:15 p.m. at Luhr County Park. The cost is \$5 per child/per program. Pre-registration and payment are required at least one week in advance or until full, whichever comes first. The next program is:

- Nov. 16 Turkey Time.
- Dec. 7 Let It Snow.

Attention Homeschool Participants

"Hooting Good Time" is from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Luhr County Park.

A minimum of five children and a maximum of 30 are needed. Preregister by Nov. 9 by calling (219) 325-8315. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Teachers-Groups-Scout Leaders

Free environmental education programs are offered to groups throughout the year. Programs last one hour or longer depending on the group size and age. Programs can be scheduled at Creek Ridge, Luhr, Bluhm or Red Mill parks. Call (219) 325-8315 for more information or to make a reservation.

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Off the Book Shelf

by Sally Carpenter

The Hatching by Ezekiel Boone (hardcover, \$26 retail in bookstores and online; also available as an eBook)

<u>Jaws</u> gave us sharks. <u>The Great Zoo of China</u> gave us dragons. <u>Jurassic Park</u> gave us dinosaurs. Now, Ezekiel Boone gives us something else to fear...

An atomic bomb is detonated in a remote part of China. A hiking party in Peru is killed by an unknown entity. A billionaire dies in a plane crash outside Minneapolis — it's not the crash that killed him — and that's just the beginning!

What are these seemingly non-related events leading up to? It's something

small that can send the best of us screaming out of the room: spiders, of course! More people likely experience arachnophobia than just about any other phobia. There's something about that body with the eight legs, the way it enters a room quietly and stealthily and hangs in its web, swaying softly with the breeze — you just know it's studying you.

It's no wonder, then, that horror stories frequently incorporate spiders in some evil way. And horror stories always include some element that makes sense to the reader, something that rings true, that seems plausible. That, plus — admit it — we all like to be scared out of our wits, especially around Halloween. Spiders just seem to fit the season and the holiday. They're creepy!

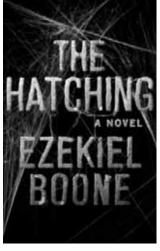
So, let me explain why this story will excite you *and* repel you. In the past, we feared spiders as deadly. Stick around, we might have been right...

The jungles of Peru provide the backdrop for the first encounter. A group of tourists hears a screaming man running toward them: "It looked to Miguel like a black river rushed up behind him. The man had only managed to get to his knees before the dark mass rolled over and around him." Only one man survives: billionaire Bill Henderson. He boards a jet headed to Minneapolis, but it crashes as it lands. What agent Mike Rich finds in the wreckage blows his mind. "The sight made him gag."

Then, something happens in a remote Chinese province that caused them to detonate an atomic bomb. Of course, the Chinese aren't talking, but in this age of instant communication, the news is all over the TV, Internet and social media practically as soon as it happens. The White House is concerned. What does this signal?

In an earthquake lab in India, scientists record unusual seismic pattern readings, something they've never seen before.

A box from South America is sent to Professor



Melanie Guyer of the American University, Washington, D.C. It contains an egg sac found in Peru under an ancient ruin. The box is determined to be 10,000 years old. OK, something for her grad students to examine and study. Only problem — the sac is now beginning to hatch.

Melanie's ex-husband, Manny, is the White House chief of staff. He's now in possession of a spider found at the burned-out wreckage in Minneapolis. Melanie is intrigued when Manny sends her the spider. She starts to study it, the egg sac now hatching more of the same spiders — yet there's something very different about them...

Everything Melanie has learned about spiders is about to be turned upside down. But not before a cargo ship from China crashes into the Los Angeles harbor.

The story then shifts to a military unit sent to close off roads leaving Los Angeles. How do these men and women feel about maybe having to shoot at fellow Americans? Then, there are the people at a small compound of survivalists in the California desert with underground shelters for when World War III starts or zombies attack, or, whatever would signal the end of life as we know it. Is the world on the brink of an apocalyptic disaster?

Boone successfully pulls together all these happenings into a cohesive storyline that lures you into reading just one more chapter, just one more look at where all this is going. It's addictive! You have to keep reading because it all has a ring of truth to it. Boone doesn't just show us the carnage, but the effect it would have on everyone, from you and your neighbors, to the military, to the government itself. And, you'll find the climax to be a jaw-dropping "no way!" The last page of the book contains only the following: "Leave the lights on. Skitter is coming."

This is a well-written thriller that is pure entertainment.

From *Library Journal*: "Boone carefully builds up the suspense as his plot moves swiftly along to a nail-biting climax in this apocalyptic tale..."

From author Michael Koryta: "Ezekiel Boone has upped the ante on arachnophobia. This is a fresh take on classic horror, thoroughly enjoyable and guaranteed to leave your skin crawling."

From *Publishers Weekly*: "An apocalyptic extravaganza of doom and heroism...addictive."

This is Boone's first novel. His next book, <u>Skitter</u>, arrives in April 2017. Visit him at <u>ezekielboone.com</u> or on Twitter at @ezekiel_boone

Till next time, happy reading!



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