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# The Final Step

by William Halliar

**“T**he boats used by the Navy go *on* not *under* the water.”

So wrote U.S. Navy officer William Graham in a letter to Michigan City’s Lodner Phillips — part-time inventor, full-time shoemaker, inventor of a “submarine boat” — on April 21, 1852.

How far we have come!

Today, the U.S. Navy employs many such “submarine boats,” all powered by nuclear energy, that roam the seas, continually offering a protective shield against any would-be enemies.

On Saturday, Sept. 29, the latest in this fleet of high-tech undersea warriors will be commissioned into service of the U.S. Navy. She is the Virginia Class attack submarine USS Indiana, the motto for which is “Silent Victors.” Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St., will livestream the ceremony at 9 a.m.

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The USS Indiana (SSN 789) has connections to our state beyond the proud name it bears. LaPorte County and Michigan City, in fact, will be represented as this new member of the Navy takes its place in the fleet.

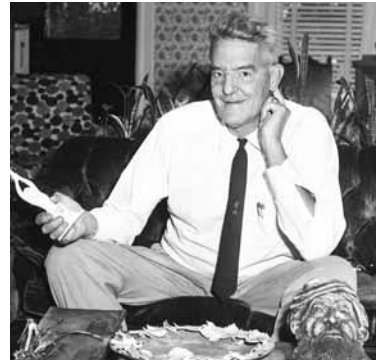
A bit of history might be appropriate at this point. Long before Jules Verne published his romantic science-fiction adventure “20,000 Leagues Under the Sea” in 1870, men dreamed of travelling beneath the waves and exploring the depths of the earth’s oceans and seas. Aristotle describes the use of a diving bell in 4th century B.C. Over the centuries, many developments and improvements were made.

In 1845, Lodner Phillips began experimenting with undersea craft in our own Trail Creek. His first attempt was a crude machine made of wood, clad in copper and propelled along the bottom of the creek by a pole protruding through the bottom of the craft.

Phillips built at least two other submarines. In 1852, he perfected a third version and was granted patent No. 9,389. Through experimentation and determination, he developed a propeller-propulsion device, diving planes to control vertical position in the water, even the familiar cigar shape recognized today as that of the modern submarine.

The USS Indiana is the benefactor of much of this early experimentation.

A second contributor is Michigan City’s own “Captain Eddy,” William Crawford Eddy, who graduated from the Naval Academy in 1926. Although he was exceptionally tall for a submariner, he was accepted into the service in 1928, where he served aboard USS S-35. Among his contributions to submarine



Captain Eddy

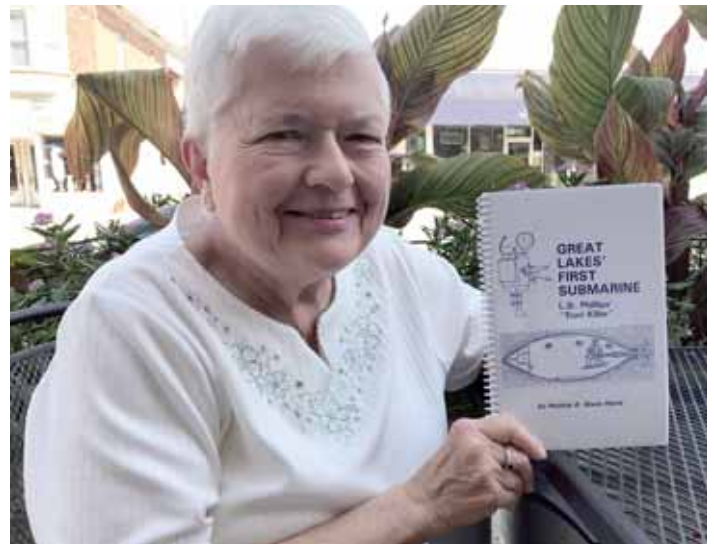
development was the invention of a device to visually display audio signals, one used in submarines for many years.

Captain Eddy was a Renaissance man in the truest sense of the word. Among his many talents was that of graphic designer.

He created the dolphin insignia for members of the submarine service still worn today by eligible personnel. The dolphin insignia also is used as a part of the USS Indiana’s “Crest” ([ussindiana.org/crest.html](http://ussindiana.org/crest.html)), a sort of coat of arms displayed as a symbol of pride that sailors have in their ship and service.



Lodner Phillips.



Pat Harris holds a copy of her book, Great Lakes' First Submarine: L.D. Phillips' Fool Killer, that every officer and crew member aboard the USS Indiana will receive. Photo by Andrew Tallackson.

Another link between the USS Indiana and LaPorte County is the book Great Lakes' First Submarine: L.D. Phillips' Fool Killer, written by longtime Michigan City resident and historian Patricia Harris. At the Sept. 29 ceremony, every officer and crew member aboard the Indiana will receive a copy of the book to commemorate the occasion.

Rich Mrozinski, LaPorte County Board of Commissioners president, was familiar with Harris’





A shipbuilder on a lift works on the stern unit of the USS Indiana at Newport News Shipbuilding in 2013. Photo by Ricky Thompson.

book and suggested presenting it to Ray Shearer, chairman of the USS Indiana Commissioning Committee Inc.

"It is amazing that we have a Virginia Class submarine named Indiana, and that 150 officers and sailors will be able to enjoy Patricia's book," Jim Retseck, of the Michigan City Historical Society and Old Lighthouse Museum, said.

As for Harris, who wrote the book in 1982, the presentation is a great honor for her.

"I never thought when I began writing that anything like this would ever happen," she said.

The idea for the book began when relatives of

the Phillips family stopped by the Old Lighthouse Museum, where she was president at the time, and asked to do some research in the archives. Harris sees all of this as a boon for Michigan City and the museum. Anyone interested in a copy of the book, updated this year with new information, can find copies for sale in the museum gift shop.

Ships, whether designed to go "on" the water or "under" it, carry with them a romantic mystique, an aura of superstition and magic. Thus, their design construction and commissioning are bound by hun-

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Newport News Shipbuilding inspector Larry Kellum checks dimensions on the USS Indiana in 2014.

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From left: Junior Sara Poulin, senior Emily Gushrowski, senior Emma Sells, sophomore Lia Thomas, and freshman Taylor Skibinski.



Lia Thomas (right) with her mother Stephanie.

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dreds, if not thousands, of years of tradition passed through ranks of men who placed their fate, fortune and often their lives at the mercy of the seas.

Out of these traditions comes the question of whether a submarine is a ship or a boat. Our modern word “submarine” evolved and became a shorter version of the original word “submarine boat.” Traditionally, in maritime lingo, ships carried boats. The early submersible vessels, “submarine boats,” were carried to their working destinations by ships. No matter the size of today’s submarine, most of which are too large to be carried by another vessel, they are still referred to as boats.

A further tradition is the blessing or christening of ships. This dates back as far as the third millennium B.C., when Babylonians would sacrifice an oxen to the gods to celebrate a ship’s completion.

Another of these traditions is the naming of the ship’s “sponsor.” The Navy secretary has the responsibility to assign one to each ship as it is christened. The ship’s sponsor traditionally is a female civilian who becomes a sort of “godmother” to the ship over the course of its service. Officers and crew may come and go, but the sponsor, who is an official member of the crew, stays with the ship. The sponsor bestows good luck on the ship and crew. She gives a part of her personality to it.



Diane Donald, the sponsor of the USS Indiana, is photographed with members of the U.S. Navy.

The sponsor of the USS Indiana is Diane Kerr Donald, who was born in McKeesport, Pa., and has been a proud Navy wife since her marriage to submarine officer Kirkland Donald. She is described on the USS Indiana commissioning website as being “an engaged, compassionate, creative and ever supportive Navy spouse, Diane set a worthy example of selfless service and commitment to the Navy and the nation for 37 years.”

The USS Indiana is the fourth ship in our nation’s history to bear the name Indiana. The first was a battleship built in 1895. It served in the Spanish



The USS Indiana of 1895.

American War and was decommissioned in 1919. It was considered the first modern battleship ever built in America. In 1920, she was sunk in shallow water and used as a target in aerial bombing tests.

The second USS Indiana was under construction, but the build was canceled before it was finished by the Washington Naval Treaty in 1924.



The USS Indiana of 1942.

A third Indiana was a South Dakota-class battleship commissioned in 1942 that saw action in World War II. It was 680 feet long, with a beam of 108 feet. It carried three float planes for aerial reconnaissance. During the commissioning ceremony, the new Indiana flew the battle flag from the 1895 Indiana that was flown during the 1898 Battle of Santiago in Cuba. It saw action in the Pacific Theater from 1943 to 1945 and received a World War II Victory Medal with nine battle stars. It was decommissioned in 1947.

It should be noted as well that there are three major types of submarines in the U.S. Navy: ballistic missile, attack and cruise missile, all powered by nuclear reactors. These submarines are built in “classes,” and a single design is used for a number of boats within the class. Boats in a particular class are recognizable as such, although as more boats are built within a class, some modifications and improvements typically are made. Currently, there



are three classes of attack submarines in the U.S. Navy: Los Angeles Class, Sea Wolf Class and Virginia Class.

The USS Indiana is a Virginia Class Fast Attack Submarine. She is the 16th in her class to be built. Indiana is the latest design and is equipped with the most up-to-date technology for undersea warfare. It is a stealth submarine designed to gather intelligence and is intended to seek out and destroy submarines and surface ships. With the use of Tomahawk Cruise Missiles, it can take the battle to positions on shore.

The Indiana is designed for deep water operations and shallow water coastal missions. Its interior can be reconfigured for carrying landing parties. When Indiana was built, it was loaded with enough fuel to last its entire life as a battle cruiser, which could be until 2060 or beyond. Indiana does not have a propeller, but rather is powered by a sort of jet stream of water that is blasted out of a rear nozzle, propelling the ship to a speed of up to 25 knots (29 mph).



The USS Indiana Ship Crest.

Indiana is 377 feet long and 34 feet wide. It weighs 7,900 metric tons. Rather than an optical periscope, it carries two "photonics masts" that use infrared digital cameras controlled by a "video game controller." These cameras display digital images to replace the familiar periscope of submarines of the past.

As it can be imagined, the planning and building of a nuclear submarine is a long and complex project. With a \$2.7 billion price tag, the Indiana is one of the most complex machines ever built. The commissioning is the final step in a long line of ceremony that began in December 2008 with the awarding of the building contract to Huntington Ingalls Industries

in partnership with the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics in Newport News Virginia.

After years of planning and engineering, Indiana's keel was laid on May 16, 2015. She was christened when sponsor Diane Donald broke a bottle

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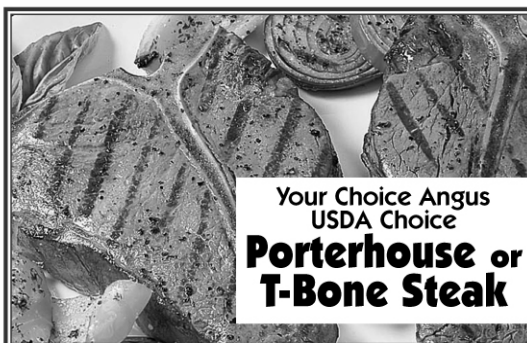
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of champagne over her bow on April 29, 2017. Vice President Mike Pence gave the keynote address at the ceremony. The christening was almost 75 years to the day from the christening of the World War II battleship Indiana. The official launch was June 9, 2017. Then began months of sea trials.

The official commissioning is at 10 a.m. EDT/9 a.m. CDT at the Navy Port at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Port Canaveral, Fla.

According to the commissioning committee webpage, "The commissioning ceremony marks the acceptance of a ship as a unit of the operating forces of the United States Navy. At the moment of the breaking of the commissioning pennant (the raising of the flag and it breaking free to the wind ) the ship will "come alive" (yet another of those sailor mysterious superstitions ) and the crew will ceremonially run aboard the ship."



The Alfred, the first ship commissioned by the Continental Navy.

The Alfred was the first ship commissioned by the Continental Navy in 1775. She was commanded by none other than American naval hero John Paul Jones. The commissioning ceremony has been a part of U.S. Navy tradition ever since.

The commissioning committee website states, "Once in commission, the commanding officer and crew are entrusted with the privilege, and the responsibility, of maintaining their ship's readiness in peace, and of conducting successful operations at sea in times of war."

*(Visit [ussindiana.org](http://ussindiana.org) for more information.)*

## Harbor Country Book Club

Harbor Country Book Club will discuss Tara Westover's "Educated" at 6:30 p.m. EDT Thursday, Sept. 27, at New Buffalo Township Library, 33 N. Thompson St.

The October selection is Barbara Ehrenrich's "Natural Causes."



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## Off the Book Shelf

by Sally Carpenter

**The House With a Clock in its Walls** by John Bellairs (paperback, \$7.99 retail in bookstores and online; also available as an eBook)

Something different this week. I'm still reviewing the book mentioned above, but in this same issue, my editor, Andrew Tallackson, is reviewing the movie version that just came out.

I've always maintained that I have been more disappointed by movie versions of books than not, but I hope you will read both reviews and see for yourself if you want to read the book first or see the movie. Of course, I hope you read the book first!

This children's story came out in 1973 and was reissued by Puffin Books in 2004. That reissue contains the original pen-and-ink drawings by famous illustrator Edward Gorey. There also is a new "movie tie-in" because it has photos from the film on the cover (list price \$7.99). It also contains the pen-and-ink drawings. Now, on to the story...

It's 1948, and Lewis Barnavelt is an overweight, shy, 10-year-old boy living outside of Milwaukee. His parents die in a car accident, so he is sent to live with his uncle, Jonathan van Olden Barnavelt, in New Zebedee, Mich. If he thought this was going to be a normal household, boy is he in for a surprise!

To begin with, Jonathan lives at the top of High Street in a three-story mansion with a tall turret at the front of the house — most unusual. I love the drawing of the house — it's the quintessential spooky mansion! His uncle seems nice enough, and Mrs. Zimmerman, who lives next door, also is kind and makes some killer cookies! Lewis notices the pair has some kind of love-hate relationship, as evidenced by the names they have for each other, like "Hag Face" and "Brush Mush." And, he soon learns they are members of the Capharnaum County Magician Society. Although Jonathan calls himself a "parlor magician," Lewis suspects there is more to him than that! And he is right...Jonathan is a wizard and Mrs. Z. a witch.

What fun for Lewis to watch the magic his uncle and Mrs. Z. perform! Soon, Lewis discovers his uncle's study filled with books, some of them all about magic. Of course, Lewis, an avid reader, reads the magic books and soon thinks he can become a magician, too. Bad idea.

The house itself is magic. *"Sometimes the stained-glass windows showed dark and terrifying scenes, and*

*sometimes Lewis saw in the corners of rooms those awful sights that nervous people always imagine are lurking just outside the borders of their eyesight."*

Many nights, Jonathan goes around turning off all the clocks in the house (and there are plenty!).

Lewis notices that after all the clocks are turned off, there still is a ticking in the walls that seems to come from everywhere. Jonathan finally explains to Lewis that the house's previous owner, Isaac Izard, a powerful wizard, must have hidden a clock in the wall and... *"it's enchanted. But what it is enchanted to do I don't for the life of me know."* But, Jonathan, knowing Izard too well, knows there is something nefarious afoot with the clock. He just hopes he can find out before it is too late. Maybe it would take his nephew to discover the real purpose of the clock...

Lots of strange happenings! Like the night Lewis is awakened at midnight to knocking at the door. He faints when opening the door, and there stands Aunt Millie. She is dead, you see. Then there's a car chase, a break-in, the attempt to raise the dead Izard (oops, did I say attempt?) and a finale that should decide the fate of the world.

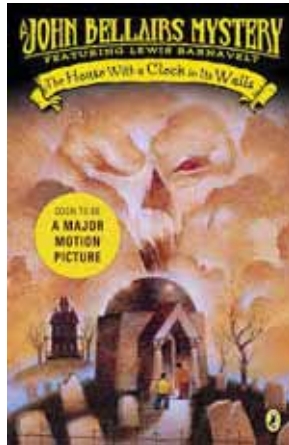
The magical aspect of this story is deftly told by a master storyteller who gives enough to send chills down your spine, and sometimes even a chuckle or two, proving a lot of blood and gore isn't always necessary.

There's also the side story of Lewis and how he makes friends with Tarby Corrigan, the most popular boy in his class, and how to his bitter disappointment, he finds out Tarby's friendship is a fleeting thing. Reading Lewis' thoughts and feelings about being an outcast made me remember how, as children, we all want to fit in with our peers. I applaud Bellairs for incorporating this into the storyline: It's something more understandable in print. Trying to win Tarby's friendship back will lead Lewis into promising him some magic he really can't understand, let alone handle.

Don't get me wrong, I love going to the movies, too, and the special effects they can achieve are mind-blowing, but I will always maintain the imagination required in reading is mind-sharpening and necessary to the whole learning process.

*"Books, the children of the brain."* — Jonathan Swift

The ball's in your court, Andrew!  
Till next time, happy reading!





## “The House with a Clock in its Walls” is an Unexpected Treat

by Andrew Tallackson



Jack Black (center) and Cate Blanchett (right) star as caretakers of an orphaned boy (Owen Vaccaro, left) in “The House with a Clock in its Walls.”

“The House with a Clock in its Walls” is absolutely delightful, unexpectedly so when considering who directed it.

Eli Roth. The Sultan of Schlock, whose movies (“Cabin Fever,” “Hostel”) bathe in grindhouse gore.

Apparently craving a change of pace, Roth found it in John Bellairs’ 1973 young adult novel, and oddly enough, he has precisely the right touch. It’s just silly and scary enough to engage young audiences, but without alienating adults. That the movie is released by Steven Spielberg’s Amblin studio is appropriate. The movie has the look and feel of the youthful misadventures Spielberg and company once churned out, elements of which we find in Bellairs’ story: a lonely orphan, peculiar adults, a spooky mansion, exhilarating magic and sweet-natured nostalgia.

In the film, set in the 1950s, 10-year-old Lewis Barnavelt (a lively Owen Vaccaro) comes to live with his eccentric uncle Jonathan (Jack Black, in a tailor-made role) after the death of his parents. Jonathan’s home could have been lifted from “The Munsters.” Old, dark, creepy. Clocks everywhere. A thumping in the walls that sounds suspiciously like a clock itself. And a neighbor, Florence Zimmerman (two-time Oscar winner Cate Blanchett), who stops by whenever she likes, trading insults with Jonathan that, unbeknownst to Lewis, mask a deep friendship.

Turns out, Florence and Jonathan are a witch and warlock, respectively. Not only are they searching for a clock hidden somewhere in the house, but they also draw Lewis into their quest.

Once the magical element comes into play, I braced for special effects overkill. Thankfully, this is a rare case where the visuals enhance the story, not overwhelm it. Roth respects his audience, that it has the patience to follow a story that carefully builds, and earns, its thrilling finale.

Like many a Spielberg picture, the subtext is that of a child craving a family unit, and Lewis finds it in Jonathan and Florence. Black and Blanchett are wonderful together: a dynamite pair who anchor the mayhem in a good deal of heart and humor.

There are villainous elements, including classmate Tarby Corrigan (Sunny Suljic), who provides Lewis with a sad lesson on “friendship,” and the special effects do come out in full force by the end. However, the big finish, complete with floating pumpkins, feels more mischievous than oppressive. You could hear the proverbial pin drop in the theater where I saw the film. The eyes of everyone, especially children, were glued to the screen. They were utterly transfixed.

As was I.



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## Westville Pumpkin Festival Returns This Weekend

The Westville Pumpkin Festival returns with everything from arts and crafts to food, rides and games on Friday through Sunday, Sept. 28-30, at Prairie Meadow Park, U.S. 421 and U.S. 6.

The annual event is presented by Westville Tri Kappa, which promotes charity, culture and education in Indiana. The schedule is:

### Friday, Sept. 28

- 4-7 p.m. — Fish dinner at Westville United Methodist Church.
- 5:30 p.m. — Crowning of festival royalty at the entertainment/food tent.
- 6-8 p.m. — Teen dance at the entertainment/food tent.

### Saturday, Sept. 29

- 8 a.m. — 5K Run/5K Walk at Westville School (207 E. Valparaiso St.) Registration is from 7-7:45 a.m.
- 10 a.m. — Parade, Main Street to U.S. 421 to the park.
- 11 a.m. — Garden tractor pull at the park.
- 11 a.m.-2 p.m. — Bingo, hosted by Westville Lions Club, at the entertainment/food tent.
- 11 a.m.-3 p.m. — Classic car show at the park.
- 11:30 a.m. — Pumpkin decorating at the park shelter.
- Noon-1 p.m. — LaPorte County Family YMCA taekwondo program at the walkway.
- 1 p.m. — Kids Fun Run Race at Birch Fields.
- 2 p.m. — Pumpkin bake-off at the park shelter.
- 2-4 p.m. — Pumpkinpalooza at the entertainment/food tent.
- 4-4:30 p.m. — Contests (pie eating/Hula Hoop/jump rope) at the entertainment/food tent.
- 4-7 p.m. — Pork chop dinner at Westville Volunteer Fire Department.



- 4:30-6:30 p.m. — Pumpkinpalooza at the entertainment/food tent.
- 7-9 p.m. — Pumpkinpalooza at the entertainment/food tent.

### Sunday, Sept. 30

- 7 a.m.-noon — Pancake breakfast, hosted by the Lions Club, at the entertainment/food tent.
- 8 a.m. — 3-on-3 Hoops Basketball at Westville High School. Registration is at 7:15 a.m.
- 10 a.m. — Antique Tractor Pull at the park.
- Noon-1 p.m. — Westville High School band and choir at the entertainment/food tent.
- 1-4 p.m. — Bingo, hosted by Westville Lions Club, at the entertainment/food tent.
- 3:45 p.m. — Gift basket raffle drawing at the Tri Kappa booth.



No pets, skateboards or rollerblades are allowed. Visit [www.westvillepumpkinfestival.com](http://www.westvillepumpkinfestival.com) for details.



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## Local Art Scene Shows No Signs of Slowing Down

by Linda Weigel

September has arrived, and while we now segue from August's high heat to more modest temperatures, the visual art scene remains hot, with a wide range of subject matter and media to discover.

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First Friday opened at The Rising Phoenix Gallery, 2803 Franklin St., with "The World and Work of Laurel Izard," showcasing her fiber and 2-D mixed-media works.



"Northern White Rhino."

Izard is a skilled fiber artist known for dense, intricate embroidered artworks. Recent examples combine "embroidered compositions and fused fabric" on vintage quilt tops. Her largest piece, "Northern White Rhino," is especially impressive and virtually demands a close, careful viewing.

In addition, don't miss her delightful mixed-media cat paintings that are guaranteed to bring a smile.

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"The Gold Coast"

The top award winner was Greg Scott's black-and-white photo, "The Gold Coast." There are many more fine photos in this exhibit, which runs through Sept. 30.

Southern Shore Art Association Gallery, 724 Franklin St., features "The Urban Experience," a juried photography show presenting "all interpretations of urban life, structures and lifestyles."

At FADA, 617 Franklin St., Matthew Kubik's studioROMA Gallery featured "Vedute D'Italia," 30 new Rome and Italy urban sketches and paintings.

The presentation of his works is unique, modern and engaging. The hallway and studio itself are packed with skillful drawings and mixed media sketches.

Contact Kubik at matthew.kubik@gmail.com for additional information or viewing times.



One of Kubik's small ink and watercolor sketches.

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"Aries," a prismacolor and ink by Sara Scherberg.

While Lubeznik Center for the Arts' "Warhol: Icon & Influence" continues through Oct. 13, two new exhibits opened downstairs on First Friday.

The NIPSCO Education Studio offered "Shadow & Mooring" with Cathy Fee-man's poetic paintings and drawings. The Area Artists' Association Gallery hosted Sara Scherberg's "intricate and whimsical drawings of ancient astrological figures

from Aries to Pisces" titled "Twelve Signs of the Zodiac." Upstairs in the main gallery, "Friday Night Fever" vibrated with an ANKO fashion show, followed by a disco dance party, providing a fun retrospective view of Anneke Dekker's high-end clothing and accessories.

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"LeMar works in layers, building layers of textured paper clay, firing it, painting the surfaces and crevices with stains made from oxides, or washes of underglaze and firing it again multiple times to achieve richness of color and depth."

Her work is singular and unique. The show runs through Oct. 7.



"Dancing Seagulls."



Art Blitz at Art Barn School of Art.

Sept. 15-16 brought Art Blitz to Valparaiso's Art Barn School of Art.

Hosting multiple activities for the entire family, local artists shared their skills in a variety of mini-classes. An afternoon drum circle and available musical instruments, guided by area music teachers, helped round out the full sensory experience.

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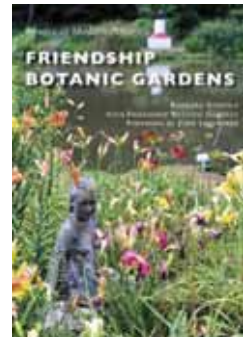
Barbara Stodola is curious to know if readers can identify the individuals in the photo and/or the event itself. She can be reached at [barbarastodola@yahoo.com](mailto:barbarastodola@yahoo.com)

What did I forget to put in the book?

Any writer knows the anguish of remembering a choice detail after the book has gone to print. Even worse is having a great picture, but being unable to identify the people depicted.

This is the type of anecdote author Barbara Stodola will discuss during her presentation at 5 p.m. CDT/6 p.m. EDT Thursday, Oct. 4, at New Buffalo Public Library, 33 N. Thompson St.

Stodola's talk, "The Enduring History of Friendship Gardens," will include photos not included in her recently published book, Friendship Botanic Gardens.



Stodola hopes audience members will recognize someone in the historic photos taken 40 or 50 years ago at Michigan City's famed tourist attraction, then known as International Friendship Gardens. She also will share other insider information about getting this type of material published.

The talk is part of the Friends of New Buffalo Library Community Forum Series program. Upcoming FOL programs include: "The Story of Magic in Michigan" on Monday, Oct. 15; "Jean-Paul Sartre and Simone de Beauvoir" on Monday, Oct. 22; and "Trivia, Folklore and Fun Facts: An Unusual Exploration of Nature" on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

The series is underwritten in part by The Pokagon Fund. Call the library at (269) 469-2933, follow the Facebook link at [newbuffalotownshiplibrary.org](http://newbuffalotownshiplibrary.org) or email [new.buffalo.FOL@gmail.com](mailto:new.buffalo.FOL@gmail.com) for details.





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Last year, the show moved to the fairgrounds to accommodate the increased number of vendors and visitors. This year's event will feature more than 100 artists and crafters from Indiana, Michigan and Illinois who specialize in hand-crafted items. That includes: home décor, yard ornamentation, original artwork, sports-oriented items, floral arrangements, hand-turned wood creations, accessories for adults and children, furniture, pet accessories, country and farmhouse décor, baskets, hand-carved gourds and rustic signs. Fall and Christmas decorations will be showcased.

Booths will be located inside three buildings, all of which are accessible for people with disabilities. Desserts and lunch will be sold. Call (219) 362-2443 for more details.

## Chesterton Art Center

*The following programs are available through Chesterton Art Center, 115 S. Fourth St.:*

• **Jennifer Martin will host a Warhol-inspired Campbell's Soup Can edition of Cookies and Canvas on Friday, Sept. 28.**

Children ages 3-7 can attend from 5 to 6:30 p.m. and youth 8 and older from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The evening includes an 8x10 tree-themed, stretched canvas painting, as well as cookies and juice.

The cost is \$10 per child, or \$5 for members. All interested students must register and pay no later than Thursday, Sept. 27.

• **Dick Church will offer a six-week Beginning/Intermediate Watercolor Class starting from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, Oct. 5.**

Church will lead students through a variety of watercolor techniques. The cost is \$95, with members receiving a \$20 discount. Supplies are not included. Church will discuss supplies with beginners to start the class.

• **The 10th Annual Art After Dark Gala on Friday, Oct. 12, at Chesterton's Sand Creek Country Club.**

Cocktails start at 6 p.m., with an open bar for the entire event, followed by a buffet dinner at 7 p.m. A silent auction featuring original artwork, music, dancing and a children's art auction round out the evening. Tickets are \$100. The last day to purchase tickets is Monday, Oct. 8. Monies raised from the event benefit the center's youth programs, operations and maintenance.



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## Aunt Kitty's Fall Yard Sale

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The event includes yard-sale bargains, a bake sale and cat toys.

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The program will feature gospel singer Jolita Burton, followed by Ed Bagatini and his 11-piece jazz band The Revival of the Cool. Acrylic paintings by Nikki Gauthier will be on display and for sale.

Burton, a Benton Harbor native, has sung gospel music for years. She has been a longtime member of Refreshing Fountains Church of God in Christ in Benton Harbor, where her husband, Maurice, is a retired state trooper and an elder and minister.

The Revival of the Cool jazz band includes: Bump Enders and Mark Gamble (trumpet); Dino Jackson (French horn); Ruth Livengood, Joel Fletty, Brandon Yenchus and Ed Bagatini (trombone); Rob Funk (baritone sax); Stephen Lundquist (guitar); Jason Spiegel (bass); and Jim Allen (drums). Arrangements and original compositions are by Bagatini.

Gauthier is the communications, programs and events coordinator at Box Factory for the Arts in St. Joseph, Mich. In her role, she plans special events such as concerts, open mic nights, gallery receptions, film nights and personal tours. She only recently discovered an affinity for painting when her father gave her art supplies for Christmas. Since then, she has been creating acrylic paintings featuring mainly floral and beach scenes.

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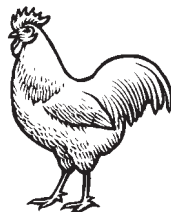
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- Hourly hayrides from noon to 4 p.m. The cost is \$3 per ride.
- The Wildlife Educational Exhibit of Northwest Indiana on Oct. 13-14.
- Trail of Scarecrows. The annual exhibit features scarecrows designed and built by students based on a character from a book. This year's theme is "courage." Guests vote on their favorite. A winner is chosen at the end of the month. Groups interested in entering the competition should contact Ellen Kapitan at (219) 742-8147.
- Mums and flower bulb sale, hosted by the horticulture team, at the Railway Depot to raise funds for the gardens. Offerings include crocus, tulips, daffodils and fritillaria.



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# Polish Heritage Festival a Feast for the Senses

by William Halliar



*"Sto lat, sto lat."*

The people jumped to their feet, raising glasses of frothy Polish beer in toast.

"Long life — 100 years," the crowd repeated and sang together as Father Jozef Zuziak humbly received the Polish Ambassador of the Year award from Mark Kolasa, Polish Heritage Association of Michigan City president.

"Sto lat" and "God Bless America," the crowd repeated, standing to witness Zuziak receive the coveted award that honors the recipient for educating, informing and supporting the roots of Polish heritage and tradition in the region. Zuziak entertained the crowd with several selections on the harmonica, an instrument he has played for the Pope himself.

Zuziak was honored Sunday, Sept. 16, during the seventh annual Polish Heritage Festival at Friendship Botanic Gardens. It was a day made for celebration, and the evidence and trappings of Polish pride were everywhere, from the colors of the national flag to the gilt decorations of the dancers' garbs.

The blue skies of a hot, absolutely perfect September day smiled down on more than 3,000 festivalgoers, all while the lilting music of the Ampol-Aires polka band sent ripples of musical laughter across Trail Creek and the verdant meadows of the botanic garden. Who can help but smile and laugh, inside and out, when such music fills the air?

As has become tradition, Hammond's Cavalier Inn supplied a never-ending array of traditional Polish foods. Tables heaped with pierogis, kielbasa and steaming sauerkraut created an inviting aroma.

Polish beauties dressed in traditional costumes strolled through the midway of tents that offered a variety of Polish-themed goods. There was amber jewelry from the ancient forests of the Polish homeland, demonstrations of Polish Easter egg painting, T-shirts, flags and baked goods from Bakers Dozen. People strolled and browsed to the accompani-

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ment of favorites such as the “Picking Berries Waltz,” enthusiastically offered by Ampol-Aires.

Mayor Ron Meer read a proclamation declaring Sept. 16, 2018, as Polish Heritage Day, reminding festivalgoers that in our land rich in diverse cultures, the people of Polska contributed much to the cause of freedom since the Revolutionary War.

Each year also boasts the annual essay contest. The 2018 theme was “Ignacy Jan Paderewski and the Rebirth of Polish Independence in 1918.” The thought-provoking topic was analyzed by 13 entrants, with three winners chosen by judges James Pula and Janusz Duzinkiewicz, both Purdue University Northwest professors.

The top three winners were Alyssa Grzeiowski from Marian High School in Mishawaka, Bethany Worl from PNW and Lois Sadlowski from Hammond Baptist High School. Each winner received a cash prize to further their educational goals.

New this year to the beautiful Polish Garden is a 3-foot tall statue of a white stork. Storks are much revered by the people of Poland. Thousands

of storks migrate through the country each year, coming from South Africa to breed in the north of Poland. Storks are considered to bring good luck to the family on whose roof they nest. A contest was announced earlier this year to name the stork in the Polish Garden, and more than 300 entries were received from as far away as Texas and Delaware.

The winner was Martha Colvin, Chesterton. Her winning name is “Florek,” which she said means “blooming or flowering.” She considered the name appropriate because the stork stands in the middle of the beautifully kept Polish Garden, and the name celebrates “all the amazing beautiful flowers growing there.”

As morning and afternoon became early evening the music faded and the colorful costumes were carefully packed away. Friends and families began to say their good-byes, and the 2018 Polish Heritage Festival became another pleasant memory to be enjoyed and savored whenever remembered throughout the winter months.

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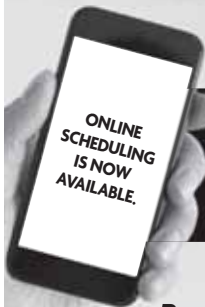
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## La Porte County Parks



*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](http://www.laportecountyparks.org) for more details.*

### Poochapalooza Halloween Dog Social

Pet owners can take their dogs in costume to the free event at 5:50 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, at Creek Ridge County Park's No Leash Bark Park.

Judging categories include best homemade costume, scariest and best owner/pet combination and best tricks. A minimum of five dogs is required. Pre-registration is required at least one week in advance. Call (219) 325-8315.

### 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. Oct. 1, Oct. 15 (wear a Halloween costume and bring treats to share), Nov. 19 and 26, and Dec. 10 and 17 at Luhr County Park. Call (219) 325-8315 at least one week in advance to register.

### Senior Lifestyles

Join the free 55+ Club, a social club designed for adults 55 and older to learn and explore various types of nature. Free coffee is served to participants.

The group meets from 9 to 10 a.m. at Luhr County Park Nature Center. Call at least one week in advance to register. The schedule is:

- Oct. 3 — Understanding Medicare Parts A, B, C and D, and the annual enrollment period, John Williams, State Health Insurance Assistance Program medicare specialist.
- Nov. 7 — LaPorte Hospital improvements, CEO Ashley Dickinson.

### 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 schedule is:

- Oct. 10 — Amphibian Adventures.
- Oct. 17 — Be a Bird Nerd!
- Nov. 7 — Who's Scat is That?
- Nov. 28 — Where Did the Leaves Go?
- Dec. 5 — Sensory Sensations.
- Dec. 19 — Let it Snow!

## Remember Me Thursday



Luminaries will be placed on the front lawn, each dedicated to the memory of a pet or shelter animal, during Remember Me Thursday on Sept. 27 at Michiana Humane Society & SPCA, 722 Indiana 212.

The free event offers a quiet moment of reflection. Guests may arrive as early as 6 p.m. to purchase luminaries and decorate them. The lighting ceremony begins around 6:30 p.m.

Those who can't attend, but would like to have a luminary placed, can visit [bbpnet.com/x38b](http://bbpnet.com/x38b) to do so.

## Harbor Country Hikers

Harbor Country Hikers will take a fall ravine hike at 1 p.m. EDT Saturday, Sept. 29, at Love Creek County Park & Nature Center.



Miller

Serving as the guide is Kip Miller, property manager and Berrien County Parks chief naturalist. The estimated two-hour walk of moderate difficulty will wind through what some consider the nicest sections of the park, which includes about 170 acres of forests, meadows, marshes and creeks.

Bottled water and a light jacket are recommended. For GPS directions, use 929 Huckleberry Road, Berrien Center. There is a \$3 per-car park entry fee.

Membership is encouraged, but events are open to everyone. Children are welcome if accompanied by an adult. Membership costs \$20 for individuals or \$30 for families.

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## Indiana Dunes State Park

*The following programs are offered:*

• **Reptile Review from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29.**

The 45-minute discovery program, held at the Nature Center outside program area, includes discussion on turtles, snakes and lizards.

• **Woodcut Prints Workshop from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29.**

Local artist Corey Hagelberg, in partnership with the Department of Natural Resources and Indiana Arts Commission, will host a one-month free printmaking workshop at the nature center. Participants learn how to create a relief print on wood and rubber, as well as a history of the techniques, local history and historic examples for inspiration.



Hagelberg

Space is limited. Call the nature center at (219) 926-1390 to register. Hagelberg also will host an exhibit of hand-printed woodcuts featuring the Indiana Dunes through Sept. 30 at the nature center auditorium.

• **Fall Birding Walk from 10 to 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 30.**

Meet at the Nature Center for an easy stroll to find fall migrant bird species and other wildlife. Take binoculars, or borrow a pair from the park.

• **Beaver Tales from 3 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30.**

Meet at the nature center for facts on beaver adaptations.



*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:*

• **Miller Woods Hike from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, at Paul H. Douglas Center.**

The ranger-led stroll explores a rare black oak savanna, and offers views of Lake Michigan and Chicago.

• **Feed the Farm Animals at Chellberg Farm from 4 to 5 p.m. Sundays through Oct. 28.**

The farm's current residents include cows, pigs and chickens. The animals are at the farm through a partnership with Dunes Learning Center, Friends of Indiana Dunes, 4-H Club of Porter County and the FFA of Westville. Chellberg Farm is off Mineral Springs Road between U.S. 20 and 12 in Porter.



*The Visitor Center is at 1215 N. Indiana 49, Porter. The Paul H. Douglas Center is at 100 N. Lake St. in Gary's Miller Beach neighborhood. Call (219) 395-1882 for more information.*



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*The following programs are available at  
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• **USS Indiana Commissioning Ceremony at  
9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29.**

The library will livestream the commissioning ceremony of the naval ship USS Indiana from Cape Canaveral, Fla. The ceremony marks the acceptance of a ship as a unit of operating forces of the U.S. Navy. Visit <http://www.ussindiana.org> for more details.

• **Writing Out Loud: Clare O'Donohue at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29.**

Born in Chicago, the best-selling mystery and suspense author just published her eighth novel, "Beyond the Pale," the first in the World of Spies Mystery series.



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

## Live Radio Play Auditions

Harbor Arts will host auditions for a live radio play of "Pinocchio" from 4 to 6 p.m. EDT Friday, Sept. 28, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. EDT Sunday, Sept. 29, at New Buffalo Performing Arts Center, 1112 E. Clay St.

Performances are at 2 and 8 p.m. EDT Sat, Nov. 3.

The show originally was created for Lux Radio in 1934. Faithful to the original script, the production will feature live renditions of the songs "When You Wish Upon a Star," "Hi Diddle-De-De" and "Give a Little Whistle," as well as many sound effects. Featured roles include Geppetto, Pinocchio, Jiminy Cricket, The Blue Fairy, J. Worthington Foulfellow, Stromboli and Lampwick. Support also is needed to create staging elements, costumes, props, sound effects and production support.

Dave Knoebber is the director and David Lahm the music director. Since most of the speaking roles also have singing parts, Lahm will prepare each person before the audition. Sides will be provided for all parts. Take a small photo to the auditions.

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## “Women Making History”

“Women Making History: Trailblazers of LaPorte County” is the fall display at LaPorte County Historical Society Museum, 2405 Indiana Ave.



David Hay and his mother, Ramona Hay, stand next to the display honoring his sister, Susan Hay Hemminger, LaPorte County's first female judge.

Featured are 15 women — past and present — who have made a difference in building LaPorte County history, including: Kathy Chrobak, LaPorte's first woman mayor; Sandra Kowalski, VNA Hospice for LaPorte County founder; Unity Foundation President Maggi Spartz; and Miriam Benedict, LaPorte County's first settler. Others include a Civil War nurse, a piano virtuoso, lighthouse keeper and naval officer.



Julie Smith, LaPorte's first female police chief.

The display is partnered with *Smithsonian Magazine*. The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call (219) 324-6767 for more details.

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## Three Oaks UMC Fundraiser

Three Oaks United Methodist Church, 2 Sycamore St. East, will host its Nelson's Port-a-Pit chicken dinner fundraiser from 4 to 8 p.m. EDT Saturday, Sept. 29.

The dinner — dine-in or carryout — includes half a chicken, homemade potato salad and baked beans, bread, beverage and dessert. Tickets cost \$10 for adults for a half-chicken meal, and \$5 for children 12 and younger for a quarter chicken with potato chips, beverage and dessert. Tickets are available at the door.

Enter the church at the side door on Sycamore Street. Parking is available in the lot beside the church or on the street. Contact the Chicken Dinner Team at (269) 756-2053 or email [toumc@ATT.net](mailto:toumc@ATT.net) for details.

## "Paws and Pints"

The first Paws & Pints Dog Walk is at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, at Friendship Botanic Gardens, 2055 E. U.S. 12.

The \$10 admission includes a beer and treats for the pets. Children 12 and younger are free. Proceeds support Michiana Humane Society and Friendship Botanic Gardens.

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### TEAM STANDING

**WON LOST**

|                  |   |   |
|------------------|---|---|
| 1. Gutter Gals   | 4 | 0 |
| 2. Team No. 17   | 4 | 0 |
| 3. Lucky Lefties | 4 | 0 |

### HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAMES

**SCORE**

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| 1. Sue Labovitz      | 169 |
| 2. Cindy Beck        | 167 |
| 3. Nancy Kubath      | 165 |
| 4. Mary Lou McFadden | 163 |
| 5. Sue Luegers       | 162 |
| 6. Carolyn Wiggins   | 160 |
| 7. Dottie Brinckman  | 158 |
| 8. Linda Neulieb     | 153 |
| 9. Tammy Nelmar      | 151 |
| 10. Peggy King       | 150 |

### SPLITS

|   |      |
|---|------|
| 1. Cindy Beck                                   | 2-3  |
| 2. Polly Fletcher, Sue Luegers,<br>Debbie Novak | 3-10 |

### THREE STRIKES

Nancy Kubath, Cindy Beck

Sept. 18, 2018

### TEAM STANDING

**WON LOST**

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Lucky Lefties  | 7 | 1 |
| 2. Striking Beauties, Gutter Gals<br>Bitchin Bowlers, Team 17 | 6 | 2 |
| Diagonal Diva's   | 4 | 0 |

### HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAMES

**SCORE**

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Lenore Hadaway               | 186 |
| 2. Linda Neulieb                | 182 |
| 3. Ann Bogart                   | 182 |
| 4. Sue Labovitz                 | 179 |
| 5. Tammy Nelmar                 | 161 |
| 6. Mary Lou McFadden            | 159 |
| 7. Jill Jankowski               | 150 |
| 8. Dale Maher (series)          | 407 |
| 9. Susie Lutz (series)          | 404 |
| 10. Cindy Beck, Carolyn Wiggins | 400 |

### SPLITS

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| 1. Linda Neulieb | 5-7         |
| 2. Dale Maher    | 5-10        |
| 3. Susie Lutz    | 3-10        |
| 4. Tina Sonderby | 2-7, 3-9-10 |

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- LaPorte Hospital, 1007 W. Lincolnway, 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28.
- Marquette Catholic High School, 306 W. 10th St., Michigan City, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28.
- St. John's United Church of Christ, 101 St. John Road, noon-6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2.

Those who donate through Sept. 30 receive a free haircut coupon from Sport Clips by email. Donors from Oct. 1-31 have a chance to win one of five \$500 gift cards. Visit [rcblood.org/goal](http://rcblood.org/goal) for details. 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 [red-crossblood.org](http://red-crossblood.org) for more details.

## Cigars After Dark

"Cigars After Dark," a casual evening that celebrates Mr. Barker's affinity for stogies, is from 8 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at Barker Mansion, 631 Washington St.

The cost is \$15 for the 18-and-older event. The price includes an interpretation of mansion smoking-related artifacts, a self-guided tour of the first floor, a free cigar and an opportunity to relax at the Gold Leaf smoke lounge.

Registration is required via Eventbrite. Visit [www.barkermansion.com](http://www.barkermansion.com) for details.

## Miss America 2009

Miss America 2009 Katie Stam-Irk will speak during services at 8, 9 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, at LaPorte First United Methodist Church, 1225 Michigan Ave. Call (219) 362-2443 for details.

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## MCHS Senior a Merit Semifinalist

Michigan City High School senior Julia Miller has been named a semifinalist in the 2019 National Merit Scholarship program.

Miller, the daughter of Nancy and Michael Miller, has taken 12 AP courses and is president of the MCHS Student Council and International Thespian Society. She has appeared in numerous plays and musicals, and is the student director of the high school's musical, "Urinetown," in November. She has performed with Young People's Theatre Company since middle school.



Miller's academic interests center on science. She has advanced to the regional level in the Chemistry Olympiad for the past two years, and is involved in Mathletes and the Science Olympiad team. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Foreign Language Honor Society and French Club.

In college, she plans to study chemical engineering. She is considering Johns Hopkins University, Berkeley, Notre Dame, Stanford, Purdue and several other engineering programs.

"Ultimately, I would like to work in a research lab," she says in a press release. "I want to make things that make a difference."

Miller is among fewer than 1 percent of U.S. high school seniors to be named semifinalists. In the 2019 competition, semifinalists were selected from among more than 1.6 million seniors nationwide based on their high scores on the 2017 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test as juniors.

In February, Miller will learn whether she is a finalist. Finalists submit a detailed application outlining their academic record, participation in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership abilities, employment and awards. Recommendations, an essay and SAT scores confirming the student's PSAT performance are required. Approximately 15,000 of the 16,000 semifinalists are expected to advance to the finalist designation, and half will go on to win a National Merit Scholarship.

## Lunch & Learn Series

"Understanding Veteran's Benefits" is the topic of the next Lunch & Learn program from noon to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, at Rittenhouse Village, 4300 Cleveland Ave.

The program is sponsored by REAL Services Inc. and Alzheimer's & Dementia Services of Northern Indiana, a division of Real Services.

Call REAL Services for reservations at (574) 284-7132 or toll free at (800) 552-7928, Ext. 7132. A complimentary lunch will be provided to those who call for reservations in advance.



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### In the Area:

**Sept. 27** — Harbor Country Book Club, Tara Westover's "Educated," 6:30 p.m. EDT, New Buffalo Township Library, 33 N. Thompson St.

**Sept. 28** — Cookies and Canvas, Chesterton Art Center, 115 S. Fourth St. Times: Children ages 3-7/5-6:30 p.m., 8 & older/7-8:30 p.m. Cost: \$10, \$5/members. Info: [www.chestertonart.com](http://www.chestertonart.com)

**Sept. 28** — Children's folk concert, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Westchester Public Library, 200 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.

**Sept. 28-30** — Westville Pumpkin Festival, Prairie Meadow Park, U.S. 421/U.S. 6. Info: [www.westvillepumpkinfestival.com](http://www.westvillepumpkinfestival.com)

**Sept. 28-Oct. 2** — Vickers Theatre, 6 N. Elm St., Three Oaks, Mich. *Now showing:* "The Wife." Rated R. Times: 6 p.m. Fri.-Mon. *Also:* "The Cakemaker." Not Rated. In Hebrew, German and English with subtitles. Times: 9 p.m. Fri.-Sat., 3 p.m. Sat.-Sun. *Also:* "Requiem for the American Dream." Not Rated. Time: 7 p.m. Oct. 2. Free; discussion afterward. All times Eastern. Info: [vickerstheatre.com](http://vickerstheatre.com)

**Sept. 29** — Live streaming, USS Indiana Commissioning Ceremony, 9 a.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

**Sept. 29** — LaPorte's First United Methodist Church fifth annual Arts & Crafts Show, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., LaPorte County Fairgrounds, 2581 W. Indiana 2, LaPorte. Info: (219) 362-2443.

**Sept. 29** — Woodcut Prints Workshop, 1-4 p.m., Indiana Dunes State Park, 1600 N. County Road 25 East, Chesterton. Free. Registration: (219) 926-1390.

**Sept. 29** — "Avengers: Infinity War," 3 p.m., The Baugher Center, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.

**Sept. 29** — Open Mic Night, 6:30 p.m., P.A.R.C. 1713 Franklin St.

**Sept. 29** — Writing Out Loud: Clare O'Donohue, 7:30 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

**Sept. 29** — "Cigars After Dark," 8-10 p.m., Barker Mansion, 631 Washington St. Cost: \$15. Registration: Eventbrite.

**Sept. 29** — Miles Nielsen & the Rusted Hearts with opener Daniel Rodriguez, 8 p.m. EDT, The Acorn Theater, 107 Generations Drive, Three Oaks, Mich. Tickets: \$25. Info: [www.acorntheater.org](http://www.acorntheater.org), (269) 756-3879.

**Sept. 29-30** — Aunt Kitty's Fall Yard Sale, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Independent Cat Society, 4061 S. County Line Road, Westville. Info: (219) 785-4936.

**Sept. 30** — Fall Birding Walk, 10-11 a.m., Indiana Dunes State Park, 1600 N. County Road 25 East, Chesterton. Info: (219) 926-1390.

**Sept. 30** — Paws & Pints Dog Walk, 2 p.m., Friendship Botanic Gardens, 2055 E. U.S. 12. Admission: \$10, children 12 & younger/free. Reserva-

tions: bbpnet.com/x38a

**Oct. 3** — Digitize Your Memories, 1-2:30 p.m., LaPorte County Public Library, 904 Indiana Ave. Info: [www.laportelibrary.org](http://www.laportelibrary.org)

**Through Oct. 13** — “Warhol: Icon & Influence,” Lubeznik Center for the Arts, 101 W. Second St. Info: [www.lubeznikcenter.org](http://www.lubeznikcenter.org)

**Saturdays** — St. Stanislaus of Michigan City farmers market, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. through Oct. 27, parking lot next to tennis courts. Info: [ssmcfarmersmarket@gmail.com](mailto:ssmcfarmersmarket@gmail.com), (219) 851-1785.

**Saturdays** — Michigan City Farmers Market, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Eighth and Washington streets. Through October.

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### In the Region

**Sept. 28** — Series 6 Art Exhibition (Eli Zilke Collaborative, Box Palette Group, Jennifer Tomshack), 5-7:30 p.m. EDT, The Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph, Mich. Info: (269) 983-3688, [www.boxfactoryforthearts.org](http://www.boxfactoryforthearts.org)

**Sept. 29** — Harbor Country Hikers, 1 p.m. EDT, Love Creek County Park & Nature Center, 929 Huckleberry Road, Berrien Center. Info: [harbor-countryhikers.com](http://harbor-countryhikers.com)

**Sept. 30** — ArtsBridge “Autumn Celebration Concert and Exhibit,” 4 p.m. EDT, First Presbyterian Church, 475 Green Ave., Benton Harbor, Mich. Info: (269) 925-7075.

### Support Groups

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

**Mondays, Fridays** — Overeaters Anonymous, 7 p.m. Mon./Franciscan St. Anthony Health, 301 W. Homer St., 9 a.m. Fri./First United Methodist Church, 121 E. Seventh St. Info: <https://oa.org>, (219) 879-0300.

**Wednesdays** — Alzheimer’s/Dementia Support Group for Caregivers, 2 p.m., third Wednesday of each month, Rittenhouse Senior Living, 4300 Cleveland Ave. Info: (888) 303-0180.

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

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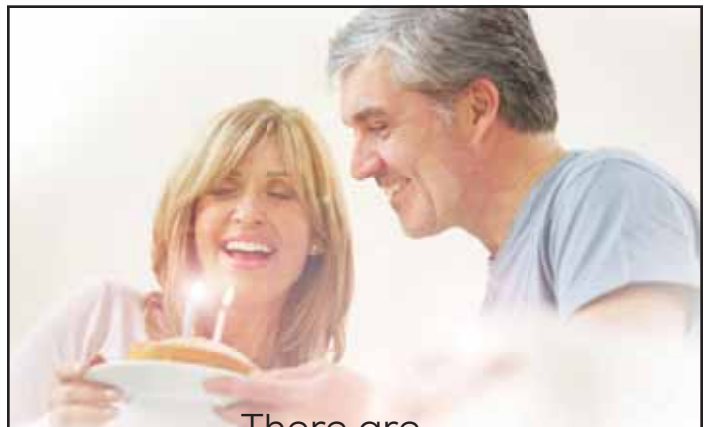
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- Looking to heal naturally
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- Someone who has "tried everything else"
- Wanting to avoid surgery or painful injections
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Whether it's back pain or sciatica, or neck pain...or any of the following conditions...

|                          |                        |                          |                            |
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| <b>Back Pain</b>         | <b>Sciatica</b>        | <b>Neck Pain</b>         | <b>Neuropathy</b>          |
| <b>Arthritis</b>         | <b>Rotator Cuff</b>    | <b>Bursitis</b>          | <b>Joint Replacement</b>   |
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*"Having had severe low back pain for many years, my family doctor had my back X-rayed. It showed severe arthritis. I had actually blamed it on a medication I had taken for years, thinking it had caused my low back pain, but no...it was due to my 84-year-old body developing arthritis. He said I should go to physical therapy, which I have done for many months. My pain had come down only from a 10 to a 7. I was still in tears with the pain, and I had decided to QUIT. Arlan Alburo from OBTS then contacted me regarding a new 'light-type' of therapy that he had acquired. Having had now 5 treatments of this 'new' LASER treatment, I really do feel healed!! It's wonderful not to be in pain as I rise from a seated position or walk or work around my kitchen!!" S.K. of Valparaiso*

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- **LaPORTE** office **Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 6 p.m.** located at 1405 E. Lincolnway, Suite B (across Indiana 2 from Walmart).
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