Discovering Kalamazoo, One Step at a Time

by Charles McKelvy

We once again found ourselves in delightful downtown Kalamazoo, Michigan with some time on our hands and some sturdy shoes on our feet, so we took off on a walking tour of the celebrated Celery City.

We had, after all, visited the Discover Kalamazoo website at www.discoverkalamazoo.com and thus learned that “even a simple stroll through Kalamazoo can be a glimpse into our past and the promise of our future.”

Our friends at Discover Kalamazoo assured us that “several commercial and public buildings in downtown Kalamazoo, including City Hall, possess the crisp geometry and surface ornaments of Art Deco—an eclectic design style born during the Jazz Age. Residential architecture ranges from the Prairie Style of Frank Lloyd Wright to ornate Victorian mansions in our charming neighborhoods.”

Having parked in just such a charming neighborhood on South Street just west of the always-interesting Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, we began our simple stroll with an immediate appreciation of the 19th Century houses that occupy that sylvan historic district.
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Then, of course, we admired the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts (KIA) at 314 South Park Street, both inside and out. And we encourage you to do the same any month of the year and to consult their website at www.kiarts.org for what’s showing there. Oh, and we could not help but admire KIA’s next-door neighbor, the beautifully restored Kalamazoo House Bed & Breakfast at 447 West South Street. The carefully restored 1878 Victorian is as fine an example of 19th century residential architecture as one can find in Kalamazoo.

We continued east to Bronson Park, which has been a New England-style commons in the center of Kalamazoo since the 1850s. The rectangular park was home the day we crossed it to some folks with a guitar and good voices. We also discovered that an attorney named Abraham Lincoln spoke in the park in 1856 on behalf of presidential candidate John Fremont. And, in later years, Stephen A. Douglas, William Jennings Bryan, Theodore Roosevelt, and both John and Robert Kennedy spoke in the park.

But the best part of our crossing Bronson Park was the fact that the fountain was still spraying water. Fountains, we discovered, have decorated the park since 1879, and one of them, “The Fountain of the Pioneers,” is controversial because it symbolizes the removal of the Native Americans from the local area by the federal government.

We always learn something new every time we take a hike around downtown Kalamazoo, and our recent stroll was no exception.

So on we went heading east on South Street, admiring as we went the aforementioned Kalamazoo City Hall, which was built in 1931 in the midst of the Great Depression, and our perennial favorite, the Kalamazoo Public Library at 315 S. Rose Street. The original library structure was built in 1955, but a 1998 renovation preserved the original building’s physical form by sheathing the building with materials of varying colors and textures. The Kalamazoo Public Library demands a story of its very own, and you shall have one over the coming winter.
Looking south at the Kalamazoo Mall from Michigan Avenue. It is now open to limited motor traffic.

Meanwhile, our busy little feet took us on along the Kalamazoo Mall from Lovell Street on the south to Eleanor Street on the north. We thus discovered that in 1959 the City of Kalamazoo created the nation’s first downtown pedestrian mall by blocking off traffic for three blocks. The city hoped the mall would lure shoppers and businesses back from the suburban malls, and their hopes were partially realized. We were pleased to see that the mall now features many specialty shops, cafes, and restaurants, and we applaud the city’s decision in 2000 to reopen the mall to limited automobile traffic. Shades of Michigan City, right?

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And like Michigan City, Kalamazoo is definitely on the rebound, and we certainly saw ample evidence of that as we continued walking toward Michigan Avenue. And it was at 100 West Michigan Avenue where we saw one of the best symbols of downtown Kalamazoo’s resurgence: the Radisson Plaza Hotel at Kalamazoo Center. Say what you will about the architecture, but you certainly have to say that it is a bold statement for a city that once was the butt of many a joke about the dying downtowns of the Midwest.

Kalamazoo is back big-time, and the best way in which to see that for yourself is to drive over for the day or to check into the Radisson or Kalamazoo House or other fine lodgings for a weekend in the celebrated Celery City. The folks at Discover Kalamazoo are fond of saying: “Kalamazoo. You’ll be back, we promise.”

We have been back more times than we can count, and we lost count of all the many footsteps we took the other day delighting ourselves in yet another self-guided foot tour of our favorite day-trip destination.

To book your own foot tour of Kalamazoo, please contact Discover Kalamazoo in care of: 1-800-888-0509 or on-line at: www.discoverkalamazoo.com. You can contact the Kalamazoo House Bed & Breakfast at 1-866-310-0880 and the Radisson Plaza Hotel at: 1-800-967-9033.

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BEVERLY SHORES. 7 So. Underwood. Walls of glass & skylites offer sun-drenched spaces and fabulous 360 degree views of the woodlands that surround this remarkable contemporary. Spacious LR w/fireplace, dining to seat 12+. GREAT chef’s kitchen, private master w/loft, huge fam rm & 2 guest bdrms. Scrd porch, balcony & patio. Half blk to beach. I think you’ll love this place! $595,000

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The first program in the 2011-2012 Season of the Fine Arts Board of The Presbyterian Church of La Porte will feature a return engagement by the Konevets Quartet from Russia.

The Konevets Quartet was founded in 1992 by four young musicians from the St Petersburg Conservatoire who were singing in the choir of the Konevets Monastery of the Holy Nativity on the island of Konevets in Lake Ladoga. Their first audiences were the people working on the restoration of the monastery, and the pilgrims and tourists who came to the island.

All of the members of the ensemble studied at the St Petersburg Glinka Choir College in the tradition of Russian song. At the heart of their repertoire is Russian church music, from ancient material written for the monasteries, to works by 20th century composers. The earliest church music is sung in unison or in arrangement for two or three voices, and in contemporary four-voice arrangements, many of them written by members of the quartet. Their program also features a variety of Russian folk songs and military songs and marches from the days of the Imperial army — songs which were all but lost during Soviet times. The repertoire also draws on settings of Russian poems arranged for male voice choirs by Russian classical composers.

The Konevets Quartet has participated in leading international festivals in Russia, Great Britain, the US, France, Italy, Ireland and Scandinavia. Their recordings have received high acclaim from critics and the music press. A concert by the Konevets Quartet always offers a fascinating program, and the chance to learn more of the rich tradition of Russian choral music and the music of the male voice chamber choir.

The concert will take place on Sunday, October 23 at 4:00 p.m. CDT at The Presbyterian Church, 307 Kingsbury Ave, La Porte, IN. Childcare will be provided and there will be a free-will offering. The reception after the concert will offer the opportunity to meet the members of the Konevets Quartet. For more information contact the church at 362-6219 or access the church’s web site at www.myhomechurch.org.
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FOLKSINGER Lee Murdock returns to Michigan City’s Mainstreet Theatre, 807 Franklin St., on Fri., Oct. 28 at 8:00 p.m., to present a program of songs and stories perfect for the Halloween season. “Great Lakes Ghosts” features songs of supernatural legends and spooky tales of ghost ships and haunted lighthouses.

Lee’s work is an anthem to the people who live, work, learn and play along the freshwater highways of the Great Lakes. There is an amazing timelessness in this music. Great Lakes songs are made of hard work, hard living, ships that go down and ships that come in.

Broadly acknowledged as “the premier interpreter of songs and tales about the Great Lakes,” he combines ragtime, Irish, and blues guitar with his flair for storytelling in songs. His musical influences span fifteen generations, from ancient Celtic harp music to blues, ballads and popular music of our time.

Tickets are $14/adults, $13/seniors and $7/students high school age and below. Reservations are available by phoning the box office (219) 874-4269.

For those desiring to add a pre-show dinner package, a buffet dinner at Traditions Heritage Room (next door to the Theatre) will be offered at 6:30 p.m. prior to the program. Fresh garden salad bar, mixed vegetables and green beans, slow roasted pork loin and herb seasoned chicken breast, mashed potatoes with gravy, seasonal breads and rolls, pumpkin squares topped with whipped cream and beverages. The $17.50 cost includes gratuity and tax. Advance reservations are required by phoning the theatre.

The programs of the Festival Players Guild are presented with support from South Shore Arts, the Indiana Arts Commission, the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan City Community Enrichment Corporation.
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---Submitted by Notred Dame School

(i-r): Rachel Hofstetter, Lily Fournier, Mia Anderson, Ellery Dolezal, Lia Thomas, Summer Agoriches pose for a picture in the orchards at Countryline Orchard.

(l-r): Esther Fielder, Ellery Dolezal, Autumn & Summer Agorichas, Stella Cavinder.

Entire class pose for a picture with Johnny!

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BEACH and COUNTRY HOMES
THE PNC Presents Halloween Haunted Trail

The Purdue University North Central Dean’s Leadership Group will host a Haunted Trail at the PNC Westville campus on Oct. 27 & 28 from 7-11 p.m. each night. The trail is open to the public. Admission is $5.

The Haunted Trail will present frightening thrills for high school and college students and young adults.

The trail will be located on the southern portion of the campus. Tickets will be available for purchase by the baseball field parking lot, which is adjacent to the trail.

About 50 leadership students have been working on the Haunted Trail and area high school students who participated in the recent Leadership Conference at PNC also contributed ideas that will be incorporated in the trail.

Further information about the trail can be obtained by contacting Tom Albano, PNC Athletics/Activities coordinator at 872-0527, ext. 5660 or talbano@pnc.edu

PNC Nov. 3 Open House

Purdue University North Central will host a campus open house on Thurs., Nov. 3 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Library-Student-Faculty Building, Room 144 for prospective students of all ages and their families.

The open house will begin at 5:30 p.m. Campus tours will be offered at 5:30 and 6:15 p.m. A series of breakout sessions will begin at 6:15 p.m., and will be repeated at 7 p.m. An Academic, Student Service and Activity Fair will continue throughout the evening.

This event is appropriate for high school students, community college graduates, veterans and any adult thinking about attending college. This presents an ideal opportunity to explore academic programs with faculty and advisors. Guests will have the opportunity to learn more about student support programs, veteran services, campus activities and athletics in a casual, fun atmosphere. Families are welcome to attend. The event is free and light refreshments will be served.

Breakout sessions will offer information on paying for college and financial aid, choosing a major and strategies for college success. Participants may visit the University Park apartment model before and after the event. University Park apartments, located across U.S. 421 from the PNC campus, are owned and operated by South Coast, LLC.

Pre-registration is encouraged - but not required - by Nov. 1 and can be completed by phoning 872-0527, ext. 5505. Further information may be obtained via instant messaging at IM pncadmissions4 through AOL; by email at jwhisler@pnc.edu or at www.pnc.edu/admissions/openhouse.html

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The Purdue University North Central Dean’s Leadership Group will be collecting winter coats and jackets through Oct. 26 to be donated for free distribution in Westville. Gently used and new coats of all sizes may be dropped off at various locations on the PNC Westville campus. Boxes are located in the Library-Student-Faculty Building Dean of Students Office, Room 103, off the main lobby; the Technology Building first floor north study lounge and in the Schwarz Hall vending room, Room 130. Campus building hours are Mon. through Fri., 7 a.m.-11 p.m.; Sat., 7 a.m.-5 p.m. The Library-Student-Faculty Building and Schwarz Hall are closed on Sundays. The Technology Building will be open 7 a.m.-5 p.m. during this time.

This coat drive originated with a group of Westville residents who regularly help out in their community. Students in the Dean’s Leadership Group joined this effort to gather coats and jackets in advance of the cold weather. The students will deliver the collected items to the Westville Waste Water Department, 904 W. Main St.

Jackets will be distributed free to the public at the Westville Waste Water Department, beginning at 9 a.m. on Oct. 27.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Tom Albano, Athletics/Activities coordinator at talbano@pnc.edu or 872-0527, ext. 5660.
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La Lumiere seniors, John Lake of La Porte and Jordan Ransone of Long Beach have been named Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2012 competition by taking the 2010 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

Headmaster Michael Kennedy commented on the success of the Sixth Form Class, “I am very proud of the La Lumiere Class of 2012. With two National Merit Semi-Finalists and two National Merit Commended Students, our students are seeing the benefits of many years of hard work. The recognition of these individuals is representative not of just a talented class but of our entire student body. La Lumiere is fortunate to have students like Jordan and John, they are ideal students, but they are also contributing citizens and strong scholar-athletes.”

MC Parks & Recreation Survey

The Michigan City Parks and Recreation is currently writing their 5-year master plan (2012-2016). Public input is critical to the planning process; they need to know the wants and needs of our community to be able to successfully plan for the future development of parks and programming.

The 2nd and final public input hearing for the 2012-2016 Park Master Plan was held in conjunction with the October 19, 2011 Park Board meeting. The survey is available on-line at www.michigancityparks.com or a hard-copy can be picked up at the Michigan City Parks & Recreation Department (currently located at the Michigan City Senior Center), City Hall, the Washington Park Zoo, the Michigan City Golf Course, the Michigan City Public Library, The News Dispatch, Save the Dunes Foundation, and the LaPorte County Convention and Visitor’s Bureau.

Ideally, the head of household representing your family’s opinions should complete this survey and return it by 4 p.m. on Nov. 30, 2011.

Please return survey to: Michigan City Parks and Recreation, Attn: Master Plan Survey, Six on the Lake, Michigan City, IN 46360
Fax 219-873-1540 or log onto www.michigancityparks.com. If you have questions or desire assistance with this survey, contact the Park Office at 219-873-1506.

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&
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Two Chances for Bookmarks

Dennis Norman will review The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins on Thurs., Oct. 20 at 2 p.m. at the Westchester Township History Museum, 700 W. Porter Avenue, Chesterton, and on Fri., Oct. 21, 2 p.m., at the Michigan City Public Library.

Collins’ story, post-apocalyptic and set in what was once known as North America, tells the story of children used as gladiators in a televised fight to the death.

The nation of Panem is a shining capital surrounded by twelve outlying districts. The capital is harsh and cruel, and keeps the districts in line by forcing each district to send one boy and one girl between the ages of twelve and eighteen to participate in the annual Hunger Games.

Sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen, who lives alone with her mother and younger sister, regards it as a death sentence when she is forced to represent her district in the Games. But Katniss has been close to death before...and survived.

Refreshments will be served; the programs are free and open to the public.

17th Annual Wine & Food Tasting

Harmony House/CASA Program of La Porte County, Inc. will host their 17th annual Wine & Food Tasting event on Fri., Nov. 4, 6-9 p.m., at The Pearl (formerly Canterbury Theatre), 907 Franklin St., Michigan City.

Harmony House is a safe haven for supervised visits and monitored exchanges between parents with their children. CASA, Court Appointed Special Advocate program, is there when children need someone most. For more than 20 years, La Porte County CASA volunteers have advocated in the court system for more than 1500 abused and neglected children in La Porte County, insuring these children have permanency in a safe, loving home.

For sponsorship opportunities or to purchase tickets to the event, contact Harmony House/CASA Program of La Porte County, Inc. by calling 219.324.3385 or email lfoglesong@lpcasa.com

Readers Group at Coolspring Library

The Coolspring Branch Library of La Porte County Public Library will host a Readers Group discussion on the novel The Confession by John Grisham on Tues., Oct. 25 at 7:00 p.m.

The book is about a man who is paroled because of inoperable brain tumor. Then, for the first time in his life, he decides to do the right thing and tell police about a crime he committed that another man is about to be executed for. It is available for check-out in print, on CD, and as an e-book.

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Fri., Oct. 28, 9:30 a.m.

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The fee is $12 for members and $14 for non-members. Bring your AARP card with you. Phone 873-3049 to register.

Fall Film Fest at MC Public Library

“Wasteland” - Sun., Oct. 23, 2 p.m.

Michigan City Public Library

Filmed over three years, “Wasteland” follows renowned artist Vik Muniz as he travels from his home base in Brooklyn to his native Brazil and the world’s largest garbage dump called Jardim Gramacho, located on the outskirts of Rio de Janeiro.

There he photographs an eclectic band of “catadores,” self-designated pickers of recyclable materials. The inspiring characters, in the end, offer stirring evidence of the transformative power of art and the alchemy of the human spirit.

The film is free and open to the public.

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Artist Trading Card Make & Swap

An Artist Trading Card Make & Swap will be held at 10:00 a.m., on Sat., Oct. 29 in Children’s Services at La Porte County Public Library, 904 Indiana Ave., La Porte. This month, create cards with a Halloween theme. You’ll have the opportunity to make several ATC’s and trade them if you wish.

All ages, from children with parents to adults are invited. It is best for children who can use scissors well. All supplies are provided, but bring your own scissors or scrapbook supplies to share if you wish.

There is no charge and registration is not taken. For more information or to request signing for the hearing impaired (48 hrs. in advance), phone 219-362-6156.

County Library Fun Event

La Porte County Public Library’s annual “What Happens in the Library When the Lights Go Out?” will be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m., on Fri., Oct. 21 at the main library at 904 Indiana Ave., La Porte.

Families are invited to see some of their favorite characters come alive. Meet Elmo, Spiderman, Batman, Angelina Ballerina, and more. This is an annual event that hundreds of people attend every year. There is no admittance charge. For more information, phone 219-362-7128.

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- I will work toward building a dog park somewhere in Long Beach.
- I will advocate for some acceptable traffic-calming device at key intersections- traffic calming is an issue in Long Beach-particularly in the summer. Oriole Trail at Melrose is a prime example.
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The Maple City Word Crafters will meet from 5:30-8:00 p.m., on Thurs., October 27 at La Porte County Public Library, 904 Indiana Ave., LaPorte. Everyone interested in writing of any kind, including novels, magazine articles, essays, non-fiction books, and poetry, is invited to come. People will be able to get critiques of their work if they wish and get ideas on what to write and how to get it published.

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Krasl Art Fair Call for Entries

The Krasl Art Center (KAC) announces the call for entries to artists wishing to participate in the 51st annual Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff. The art fair will be held in St. Joseph, Michigan, July 14 and 15, 2012.

The success of last year’s event garnered the Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff an increased ranking from #25 to #24 on Sunshine Artist’s list of “200 Best” fine art fairs. Among the reasons for this noteworthy ranking, Sunshine Artist magazine mentioned the event volunteers, community support, the beautiful setting and the profitability for artists. Moreover, Greg Lawler’s Art Fair Source Book has given a rating of 8 out of 10 to the Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff based on sales as reported by artists. The average sale for 2011 was $4,704.

Artists interested in applying to be a part of 51st Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff can do so online at www.zapplication.org

Artists are asked to complete their online registration by Thurs., Jan. 12, 2012. A completed application along with uploaded images and a $30 application fee are due at the time of registration.

The jury process takes place on Fri., Feb. 3, 2012 and the results will be emailed to artist by Fri., Feb. 24, 2012.

2012 Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff dates: Sat., July 14 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sun., July 15 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Admission to the art fair is free and the event is handicapped accessible. Free parking is located throughout the city of St. Joseph and a shuttle service will be available. For further information about the Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff please call: 269.983.0271, or visit www.krasl.org. The KAC website includes hotel information, directions and the results of the 2011 artist survey. Travelers are encouraged to call the Southwestern Michigan Tourist Council at 269.925.6301 or St. Joseph Today at 269.985.1111 for information on accommodations, dining and to learn more about St. Joseph and Southwest Michigan.
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The day finally has arrived: I “have seen the whole of the Internet” and am officially retiring this column. I have the above in quotes, because there exists a website with that title—not written by me, but by someone who also has chosen to scan the Web for interesting bits and pieces.

In theory, a Web reviewer could go on into infinity because there are more than enough websites to keep a writer busy for several more lifetimes. But with the advent of new technology, where the Web is available on your handheld gizmo, apps (applications) are where it’s at. I’ve stubbornly resisted joining Facebook and I have let my Twitter account go silent. Alas, I’ve fallen behind the times.

But, I do want to urge those who are just starting out on the internet (babies and senior citizens stranded in the high mountains for two decades) to learn all they can about safe surfing. It’s still a jungle out there, and one must be constantly aware of scams and hackers and phishermen. And the best piece of advice I can leave behind for newbies is to avoid annoying friends who are veteran emialers.

That means: learn to cut and paste and do not forward anything that promises that your wishes will be granted if you “send this to 20 of your friends within the next hour.” Expect to find at least one email friend who spends his/her time sending you ten or more cutsey emails a day. Learn how to create alternative email addresses for yourself in order to avoid a backlog of unread stuff.

As for the Web, allow yourself to leave Facebook, if for just a little while, to explore the wider world of arts and letters and science and mind-blowing educational stuff. Don’t let the internet dumb you down, which I see as a distinct possibility as we move forward soon into a new year. Tear yourself away from YouTube and read something intelligent. Remember how to read? Sure you do—you just need to practice it more on the Web. Texting shorthand doesn’t count.

Be sure to get up and stretch and rest your eyes at least once every half hour or so. After years of writing this column, my eyes automatically remind me to take a break, and if I don’t, I can expect some heavy tearing that blurs everything.

At least once a day, get outside and breathe some fresh air. Instead of meeting someone in a chat room, talk to someone face to face. Skype is nice, but not quite the same thing. Instead of texting or email, write a letter and keep the post office in business. If every internet user did this at least once a year, the post office would thrive and the price of stamps might stay the same. Well, maybe.

Since I can’t begin to count to number of websites I have reviewed here week after week, I leave you with two options for accessing those former columns. Either go to www.thebeacher.com and click on the archived issues, or go to my blog at http://cyberscribbles.wordpress.com and check the archived columns available there. Several years of columns were lost during moves from do-it-yourself websites, and they are gone forever.

Finally, thank you for taking the time to read CyberScribbles. I hope each of you has found at least one valuable bit of information that has helped you with your internet voyages over the years. Fare-thee-well, my friends!

Francesca Battistelli at Howard Center

A reviewer once said of Francesca Battistelli’s music: “...soulful piano-pop sound resembles a blend of her music interests—jazz, rock, gospel and R&B.” The sounds of this youthful, yet award-winning artist, will fill the Howard Performing Arts Center on Sun., Oct. 23, at 7 p.m.

Combining the influences of jazz, John Mayer, Sara Bareilles and Nichole Nordeman, Battistelli’s music inspires and uplifts audiences worldwide in a variety of venues. With two albums to her credit, her work has been featured on television shows such as “Extreme Makeover: Home Edition,” NBC’s “The Biggest Loser” and in the 2011 film “Soul Surfer,” to name a few.

Tickets for Francesca Battistelli can be purchased by phoning the Howard Performing Arts Center box office at 269-471-3560 or 888-467-6442. Tickets for reserved seating are $20, faculty and staff tickets are $20 and Andrews University student tickets are $10. Special rates apply for groups and Flex Series tickets.

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Catherine Lanigan enjoys being back in La Porte, where a favorite lunch spot is BJ's Café.

Catherine Lanigan knows about inspiration. She has overcome significant life challenges to fulfill her dream of being a writer. Now, she's a highly successful author of fiction and nonfiction. And she wants to encourage other women to act on their dreams.

Lanigan is sure to inspire area women with her keynote speech at the “Inspiring Women” luncheon scheduled Thursday, Oct. 25 at the Pearl Theater and Events Center, 907 Franklin St. in Michigan City. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. and the luncheon is at Noon. The event is being sponsored by PNC Bank and hosted by the Michigan City Chamber of Commerce.

The cost for members of the Michigan City Area Chamber is $25.00 and non-members pay $30.00. Reservation are required and can be made through the Michigan City Chamber of Commerce by calling 219-874-6221 or through the website at www.michigancitychamber.com.

Ann Dahm, MCCC president, said the purpose of the luncheon is to “focus on women as an important part of our membership, our community, and our economy by presenting stories of inspiring women and connecting our members with this important market segment.”

Lanigan, 63, is a La Porte native who first made a name for herself with novelizations of “Romancing the Stone” and “Jewel of the Nile” – both hit movies in the ‘80s starring Michael Douglas and Kathleen Turner. These writing opportunities came early in her career and, to date, she has produced more than 30 novels, averaging one a year. She has an international following and her books have been translated into multiple languages, most recently Thai. Her most successful novel, “Elusive Love,” became a best-seller in France and Germany.

Exclusively for “Inspiring Women,” Lanigan is offering a limited number of her autographed out-of-print romance novels for $5 apiece. Copies of her most recent books, including “Angel Watch,” will also be available.

Lanigan wrote “Jewel of the Nile” early in her career; it was a blockbuster movie in the 80s.

Like her fictional characters, Lanigan is a survivor. She has recovered from cervical, ovarian and thyroid cancer. She’s been through divorce, the loss of a child, single parenthood, financial struggles and career disappointments. Speaking from experience, she says women give up too easily. They listen to their husbands or bosses and lose sight of who they are and what they want in life.

“When you have a dream, dream big and do it,” Lanigan says.

As a writer and business woman, Lanigan has learned that persistence is the key to success. She spends half of her time writing and the other half on business matters, such as marketing and promotion.
“My business ebbs and flows, like all businesses,” she says. “We’re going through a (publishing) revolution now.”

Her traditional readers – women in their 20s and 30s – don’t read books anymore, Lanigan observes. She’s hopeful that devices such as Kindle and Nook will entice more readers but “we’re not there yet.”

Lanigan knew as a child that she wanted to be a writer. She was inspired by Brenda Starr, the gutsy comic strip journalist. But, rather than becoming a reporter, Lanigan followed her creative instincts and became a weaver of fantasy and romance stories.

She almost gave up writing when, as an 18-year-old college student, her work was harshly criticized by a creative writing professor who told her, “your writing stinks” and “you’ll never make a living” as a writer. It took another 14 years and a chance encounter with an encouraging professional writer to convince Lanigan to return to the work she loves.

Lanigan’s female characters courageously surmount barriers that would cause weaker women to back down. She describes her typical female character as an ordinary person who “doesn’t wring her hands or whine and whimper,” but instead thinks, “I’ve got to fix this.”

All of Lanigan’s characters are patterned after what she calls “the evolving woman” who makes decisions to overcome negative circumstances and emerges strong in the end. Lanigan’s readers often share stories with her about how her characters inspired them at particularly difficult times in their lives.

Because she spends so much time writing romance novels about women in bad relationships, Lanigan was motivated to write the nonfiction book, “The Evolving Woman: Intimate Confessions of Surviving Mr. Wrong,” published in 2000. She wanted to tell the stories of real women survivors in a way that inspires and empowers others in similar circumstances. Lanigan and her publisher visited more than 40 women’s shelters across the United States to collect these stories. Copies of the book are available at no charge to shelters that request them.

Even after more than 30 years, Lanigan can’t imagine her life without writing. She becomes so engaged with her characters that they take on a life of their own.

“I cry all the time, especially when I’ve killed one of them off,” Lanigan says.
October 21 Art Hop in Benton Harbor

On Fri., Oct. 21, from 6-9 p.m. MI time, the quarterly Art Hops in Benton Harbor’s Arts District continue with ABC: Art Builds Communities, hot on the heels of June’s hugely successful Man in the City. To show their support of October’s National Breast Cancer Awareness month, the businesses and organizations in the Arts District will help Paint Our Town Pink by incorporating pink themed elements in their venues, including cocktails, hors d’oeuvres, and desserts.

The evening’s highlights include musical entertainment from the Chicago-based Chris Greene Jazz Quartet at The Livery. Admission is free to the first thirty people to bring in a bra in honor of a woman who had or has breast cancer. The bras will be displayed at the show, along with a pink ribbon inscribed with the name of the woman being honored by the donation.

The Three Pillars Gallery will feature “The Boys from New Buffalo” by sculptor Rick Ott and Acrylic painter Roger Harvey.

Water Street Glassworks will be featuring the work of Lisa Elias titled “Sustainable Grace”, as well as holding their annual Great Glass Pumpkin Patch fundraiser, where a dazzling array of one-of-a-kind glass pumpkins will be for sale in the Dorris Akers Gallery.

The Anna Russo Sieber Gallery will be exhibiting sculptures and paintings by artists Dave Wilkinson and Lazarith.

The OutCenter will be showcasing the work of photographer and breast cancer survivor, Mary Balfoort.

There is no prescribed order to Art Hop stops. Guests are encouraged to start and end anywhere they choose, but are encouraged to visit places they haven’t yet explored. A full list of events and locations can be found at the New Territory Arts Association’s Facebook page at www.facebook.com/newterritoryarts.

Art Hops are organized four times per year by the New Territory Arts Association (NTAA), a non-profit organization dedicated to the revitalization of Benton Harbor through the arts. Founded in 1998, the NTAA has supported art and cultural opportunities including the annual Artoberfest, Water Street Glasswork’s Fired Up! Program, the Benton Harbor Children’s Art Fair, the Citadel Dance and Music Centers, and other regional arts education programs. For more information and a full event calendar, visit www.newterritoryarts.org.

Songwriter Duo at Box Factory

Singers and songwriters Eddie and Mark (Ed Skjordal and Mark Moore) return to the Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph, MI on Saturday, Oct. 22nd at 8 p.m. MI time. Joining them will be Tim King on upright bass and Chuck Hartzell on percussion.

Eddie and Mark will bring a collection of neo-traditional song stylings rendered with acoustic guitars, hand percussion and two-part harmonies. Their concert will run the gamut from light ballads to foot stomping sing-alongs from the likes of Amos Lee, Bob Dylan, Leon Redbone, and others.

Tickets at the door are $8 general admission; $6 for students and seniors; and children 12 and under admitted free.

Visit the Box Factory online at www.boxfactory-forthearts.org or as a friend on Facebook. During normal gallery hours of 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Mon.-Sat. and Sun. from 1-4 p.m., phone 269-983-3688.

Discover Career Counseling Program

Purdue University North Central - Porter County will offer the Discover Career Counseling Program, a free personalized service that will help individuals learn more about occupations and college majors that match their personal interests, abilities and values.

Workshops will be offered on Oct. 24 from 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Nov. 14, from 3:30-5:30 p.m.; and on Dec. 1, from 6-8 p.m. The workshops are free but registration is required.

Discover will help define goals and give guidance in choosing a college major or making a career choice and can also assist people making a career change.

Discover also provides instruction in writing a cover letter and resume, interviewing techniques and website access to internship opportunities.

PNC - Porter County is located at 600 Vale Park Road, Valparaiso. The workshops will meet in the Graduate Building, Room 20. To register for a workshop or to obtain further information, contact Deb Kohler at 219-531-6500, or email aburke@pncedu
My name is Jane Starr Neulieb and I am a candidate for a position on the Long Beach Town Council. I have been a proud life long resident of Long Beach. As a child I lived with my family at 2809 Elbridge Way and for the past 33 years my husband, Jim, and I have lived at 2201 Florimond Avenue where we have raised our child.

I am a registered nurse and currently work at Michigan City’s A.K. Smith Career and Tech Center as a Health Careers Instructor. I graduated from Notre Dame Elementary School, Elston High School and Purdue University (IU and ND fans please don’t hold that against me). For many years I served the town by using my experience as a registered nurse to volunteer for our town as a Medical First Responder for the Long Beach Fire Department.

My love and concern for Long Beach are deeply rooted in my family. My grandparents first came to Long Beach as summer residents. Captivated by its beauty and welcoming neighbors, my parents made Long Beach our year-round home. I am proud to say that my father and uncles are listed on the WWII Soldiers Memorial inside the Old School Community Center. Jim and I raised our daughter, Jessica, in Long Beach. Jessica now brings her husband and our two grandchildren to enjoy our beautiful community. I am thankful to call Long Beach my home and want to do my part in keeping Long Beach a community that your children and grandchildren will be happy to make their home too.

I respectfully ask for your vote for Long Beach Town Council. I want to represent you in the governmental business of our town. I promise to communicate with you, listen to you and consult you on all our town’s important decisions. I will use my leadership skills to provide a transparent town government that serves you.

I want to be an independent voice in our Long Beach Town government. I want greater openness and better communication in all Town governmental affairs. I would accomplish this by using all the technology we have available to us to inform you of upcoming meeting agendas and minutes to those meetings. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have about town matters and I would see that you get the information that you seek.

I would make a priority of creating an accountable town building and zoning department. I would work to see that town ordinances are clearly written with professional expertise creating clear procedures for adherence to our town ordinances by all residents.

I want to help preserve the natural beauty of Long Beach. I believe that Lake Michigan is a very important asset to our community. In order to help preserve and beautify this asset, I would like to have the town create a Beach Commission formed to include residents from each stop. I envision this body making recommendations to the Council of the needs of the town owned beach areas.

I thank you for the opportunity to serve you and our community on the Town Council. I hope that you will give serious consideration of making me one of the five elected members of our Council. If you would like further information about me or my ideas for an effective Town Council please email me janeforlb@gmail.com or call me at 219-874-8575.

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From the Indiana BMV

Hoosiers with drivers’ licenses expiring in 2012 should plan to renew early according to Scott Waddell, Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV). Next year, a record 2.2 million driver’s licenses expire, compared with 330,000 in 2010 and 260,000 in 2011. To date, nearly 190,000 customers have renewed driver’s licenses early to avoid potential lines at the license branches. Indiana law allows Hoosiers to renew a driver’s license up to one year before expiration.

“We are strongly encouraging customers to renew driver’s licenses early either online or by visiting a license branch,” commented Waddell. “Over half of all drivers’ licenses expire next year and we are concerned about the possibility of longer lines in 2012. While we are making plans to handle the increased volume, the best way to avoid the crowds in 2012 is to renew your driver’s license in 2011.”

The Great Glass Pumpkin Patch

October 21, during the fall Benton Harbor District Art Hop, 5 - 9 p.m. MI time, Water Street Glassworks kicks off their Great Glass Pumpkin Patch fundraiser. Water Street Glassworks is located at 140 Water Street, Benton Harbor. This is the second year for this popular fall fundraiser that raises funds for programs and operations at Water Street Glassworks.

This year the pumpkins come in a wider variety of sizes and colors and are dated, making them a collectible item. Pumpkins are priced according to size and you are sure to find the perfect pumpkin for your holiday décor. Pumpkins were all hand-blown in our “hot shop” by many dedicated volunteer glassblowers.

GelatoWorks, Water Street Glassworks retail gallery and gelataria, will be offering seasonal flavors and spooky treats for visitors to enjoy while they peruse the Pumpkin Patch. The Great Glass Pumpkin Patch will coincide with the exhibit “Sustainable Grace” featuring artist, Lisa Elias and will be on display until Saturday, November 19.

Everyone’s Invited to Play Chess

A chess club will meet at 11:00 a.m., on Sat., Oct. 22 at La Porte County Public Library, 904 Indiana Ave., La Porte. Anyone from 8-80 is invited to come and play chess. Those who don’t know how to play will be instructed. There is no admittance fee or registration. For more information, please call 219-362-7128. Please call 219-362-6156 to request signing for the hearing impaired 48 hours in advance.

Bulgarian Mandolin Quartet

Foundry Hall will present the Bulgarian Mandolin Quartet, Seasons, on Wed., Oct. 26, at 7 p.m. MI time. Tickets are $7, $5 for students and members, and free for kids under 13 years.

The classical mandolin quartet Seasons will perform a concert with an accent on Bulgarian music and music influenced by the folkloric traditions of Bulgaria. The quartet is in Michigan on a cultural exchange and will give area residents the opportunity to experience the hauntingly beautiful music of contemporary Bulgaria in the intimate setting of Foundry Hall. Also on the program are works by Handel, Vivaldi, Albeniz. and Kuwahara.

The quartet was founded in 1996 by Assen Dimitrov (1913 - 2000), who was also the founder of the first mandolin orchestra in Bulgaria. In their performances the members of the quartet present the combined Bulgarian mandolin and guitar traditions acquired from maestro Assen Dimitrov and prof. Dimitar Doychinov and the latest European mandolin concepts acquired in the master classes of the well-known German professors Caterina Lichtenberg, Dieter Kreidler etc.

The quartet has participated in many national and international festivals of classical and contemporary music: the 35th, the 38th and the 40th International Festival of plectrum music in Logrono, Spain (2001; 2004; 2006); the 10th and 11th International Festival of Mandolin Music in Imotski, Croatia (2005; 2006); the 19th National Festival of Art “Apolonia 2003”, Bulgaria; “Sofia Summer Festival”, Bulgaria (2001); the “Balkan Festival of Guitar Music”, Bulgaria (2003; 2004; 2005; 2009) etc.

Seasons won the First Prize and Grand Prix in the 10th and 11th International Festival of Mandolin Music in Imotski, Croatia and the Third Prize of the 5th Contest for New Compositions, Logrono, Spain (2006).

The Bulgarian National TV created and broadcast two films of the quartet in 1999 and in 2007.

In 2001 Seasons quartet released its first CD, reviewed in the Journal of the Classical Mandolin Society of America. In 2009 the quartet released its second CD “A Story for the Balkan Mountains”.

Foundry Hall is located at 422 Eagle St., downtown South Haven, MI. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Advance tickets are available at www.foundryhall.com and 800.838.3006. Additional tickets can be purchased at the door after 7 p.m. on the night of the show on a first-come-first-served basis.

Farmers’ Market Last Day

Sat., October 22, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Look for Fernwood at the Buchanan, Michigan, Farmers’ Market. This date marks the close of the Farmers’ Market for the 2011 season.
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In increasing numbers, America’s women were becoming restive over the thesis that women should have economic, political, and social equality with men.

For Elizabeth Cady Stanton, a determined proponent of such equality, a widely heralded meeting would fire the first major salvo in an incipient national struggle for women’s rights. The time, the mid-1800s, seemed ideally ripe.

One question loomed. Would anybody attend? Mrs. Stanton and Ms. Lucretia Mott, noted lecturer and abolitionist, had scheduled the meeting and planned the program. Both were anxious to learn whether the ground-breaking event would attract an audience.

Slated for July 19 and 20, 1848, in the Wesleyan Chapel in Seneca Falls, N.Y., the meeting had received publicity as a “convention to discuss the social, civic, and religious rights of women.” With typical foresight, Mrs. Stanton had prepared a declaration of women’s rights, modeling the document on the American Declaration of Independence.

Among the grievances listed in her Declaration of Sentiments and Resolutions, Mrs. Stanton had included the one closest to her heart: Women should universally have the right to vote.

Both Mrs. Stanton and Ms. Mott were concerned that they “might end up addressing their own circle of friends,” as Michael Goldberg writes in the book “No Small Courage: A History of Women in the United States.”

Encouraged to participate vocally, the audience of about 300 stayed through all five sessions that were held over for two days. At the convention’s conclusion 68 men and 32 women signed a document supporting the Declaration of Sentiments and Resolutions.

Newspapers across the country at once attacked the convention and its participants. Editors accused female attendees of “unwomanly behavior” and of “neglecting their more important duties,” as Harriet Sigerman writes in “No Small Courage.”

Alarmed by the negative reactions, a few signers of the Seneca Falls Declaration withdrew their support. Ms. Sigerman adds, “Some other women were not so easily cowed, and the convention galvanized them.”

So that later the voting choice will be a decision already made.

A Historic Byword

“Seneca Falls” became a historic byword. But time had to pass before it could make its impact known, as Mr. Goldberg reports. In the meantime other meetings took place in Indiana, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Burdened with family responsibilities, Mrs. Stanton could not attend these sessions. In 1851, however, she met Susan B. Anthony in a chance encounter on a Seneca Falls street.

The two women became friends. Planning and organizing a women’s convention held in Syracuse, N.Y. in 1852, they began a collaboration that lasted for the next half-century.

With Seneca Falls as a rallying point and catalyst, later speeches, writings, and meetings helped gradually to forge a mass movement favoring women’s rights. The movement had philosophical and practical ties to the era’s temperance and anti-slavery campaigns but remained focused on woman suffrage.
Men and women could join in a 1900 skating party once they had checked the thickness of the ice. But 20 more years would elapse before women and men could attend a “voting party.”

With the beginning of the Civil War in 1861, the suffragist cause faded from prominence. After one last convention in February, 1861, author Eleanor Flexner noted that women’s rights activities “ground to a standstill.” Ms. Flexner was writing in “Century of Struggle: The Woman’s Rights Movement in the United States.”

The abolitionist cause was monopolizing the nation’s interest. By 1863 Mrs. Stanton and Ms. Anthony were working in support of the 13th Amendment, which would free all American slaves. With the war over, some 2 million American slaves were about to become voters. Many suffragists felt overlooked.

The women’s movement underwent a schism. The “irreconcilables,” led by Mrs. Stanton, Ms. Anthony, and others maintained that “the Negro’s hour could be the woman’s hour as well,” writes Ms. Flexner. This group formed the National Woman Suffrage Association in 1869. The Association proclaimed the group’s opposition to the 15th Amendment unless it also enfranchised women by means of a constitutional amendment, as Ms. Sigerman writes.

Founded a few months later, the rival American Woman Suffrage Association took a competing view, supporting passage of the 15th Amendment and appealing to individual states to enfranchise women.

The two groups pursued their separate goals for some 20 years, according to Ms. Sigerman, “holding conventions, sponsoring debates, and sending speakers out on the lecture circuit.” In 1890 the groups joined forces and established the new National American Woman Suffrage Association.

A new element entered the arena. Wyoming entered the Union in 1890 and quickly became the first state to enfranchise women. Other states, most of them in the West, followed Wyoming’s lead. In still other states individuals and groups engaged in activities that directly or indirectly contributed to the suffragist cause.

Illinois ranked high among these states. By 1903, writes Karen Manners Smith in “No Small Courage,” female socialists and other activists “had organized some 35,000 women workers in thirty-six different trades.” Winning work-place gains, it became normal for many to accept and promote the concept of female suffrage.

Jane Addams, founder of Chicago’s Hull House, and other settlement house leaders played similar roles in the campaign for woman suffrage. In 1913, efforts by Hull House veterans and others led to women in Illinois winning the right to vote in presidential elections.

“Woman suffrage had at last won a toe-hold, even in limited form, east of the Mississippi,” as Ms. Flexner writes.

With the twentieth century advancing, new leaders were taking key responsibilities and introducing new militancy into their work. Adopted by talented organizers like Carrie Chapman Catt, Alice Paul, and Lucy Burns, suffragist tactics brought women into the public sphere in unprecedented numbers. In 1915 alone, “suffragists in New York City staged 28 parades,” writes Glenna Matthews in her book “The Rise of Public Woman: Woman’s Power and Woman’s Place in the United States, 1630-1970.”

The goal remained a suffrage amendment to the Constitution. World War I “became the suffrage movement’s great opportunity,” comments Nancy Woloch in her book “Women and the American Experience.”

The war even saw leading suffragettes calling for the women’s suffrage amendment as a “war measure.” By the Armistice of 1918 the war had effectively eradicated opposition to the amendment. In 1918-1919 both the Senate and the House of Representatives approved the amendment by the necessary two-thirds majorities.

Tennessee ratified the amendment on August 18, 1920, the 36th state to do so. Eight days later the 19th Amendment became part of the Constitution. More than eight million women cast ballots in the presidential election held November 2, 1920. The eight million-plus were voting as fully-fledged citizens for the first time.

One among the female voters had unique memories. Charlotte Woodward, 91 years of age, had “ridden with friends to the woman’s rights convention in 1848,” writes Ms. Woloch. Seventy two years later she was the sole survivor of Seneca Falls.
Veterans Day Program Planned

Marquette Catholic High School’s annual Veterans Day program will be held Nov. 11th starting at 11:00 a.m. in the Scholl Center gym. This year, Army veterans will be honored. (In future years Marquette will honor vets from the other branches of the service.)

Army veterans include National Guard, Reserves, and regular Army, males and females. It makes no difference when or where these veterans served. The program will last approximately 45 minutes, with a brief reception to follow in the school library. Any veteran planning on attending is asked to phone Marquette (873-1325) or send an email to dschaefer@marquette-hs.org by November 8th. Please leave your name and phone number and someone will contact you with more information. The general public is also invited to this event.

Windiana Concert Band in Valpo

Northwest Indiana’s own Windiana Concert Band will perform the “Biblical Epics Trilogy” for the first time Nov. 17th at 7:30 p.m. at the historic Memorial Opera House, 104 Indiana St., Valparaiso.

The three compositions which make up the trilogy recount the stories of Rahab, the Gathering at the Mount and Jericho from the Bible. The works are big “surround sound” pieces composed by Dr. Jesse Ayers with guest mezzo soprano soloist Dr. Beth Westlund. Conductor is Dr. Jeffery Scott Doebler, Director of Music Education and Bands, Valparaiso University.

This is a one of a kind performance and the first time the three pieces will be performed together. The compositions encompass brass and percussion that surround the audience at various points, with exciting sound effects like “whirlees,” a mezzo soprano soloist, a narrator, and interactive audience participation in singing and shouting. “The audience will feel like they are actually there as the walls of Jericho “come tumbling down” and as Elijah’s prayer is answered by the “fire of the living God,” according Dr. Doebler.

For more information about this music please visit the composer’s website: jesseayers.com Dr. Ayers will participate in a Talk Back Question and Answer Session following performance.

Memorial Opera House is located at 104 Indiana Street Valparaiso, for tickets call (219)548-9137 or visit mohlive.com. The November 17, performance is at 7:30pm Adults tickets $12; seniors tickets $10; student tickets $7.

Library Closing

La Porte County Public Library, 904 Indiana Ave., La Porte, and its six branches and mobile library will be closed on Fri., Oct. 28 for staff training.
Stop by and check out Suite #12 the new library room!! Again, I want to thank the Higdon family and all those who participated in the Annual 5K run on the 4th of July! With the money collected this year we purchased carpeting to give the room a makeover. The Long Beach Civic Association also donated towards the carpet. THANK YOU TO ALL!!! Still looking for an electric stove for the Community Center!!!

Leaf Pick-Up starts this week and goes until November 23rd.

Large Item Pick-Up – Will be Mondays, October 24th and October 31st.

Duplicate Bridge – Tuesday evening 6:00 p.m. No partner necessary. Come and you will play. JUST FOR OCTOBER THEY WILL MEET IN Suite #12. Questions call Glen at 219-872-9386.

Fall Girlfriend Sale is This Weekend!!!! We have 2 huge rooms packed with the most fabulous things all priced at $5, $10, $15 and up. See classified ad for an inventory listing. The Sale is Sat., Oct. 22nd 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sun. Oct. 23rd 12-4 p.m. 1/2 price day with a second chance 1/2 price day Sat. Oct. 29th 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Come shop for at unbelievable bargains and a whole lot of fun!!

Long Beach Fitness Center - For more info call Cindy at 219-879-7395 or e-mail longbeachfitnesscenter@comcast.net

Amy’s Boot Camp – Now offering Mon/Wed/Fri. Hours are 8:15 – 9:45 a.m (90 min.) Which consists of 45 min-Cardio & 45 min-Strength. Get the best inner and outer shape of your life. Suite #9

Yoga With Lauralee – Suite #8. Just a reminder that the Tuesday night 6:00 p.m. Class used to be an Intermediate class and is now a very gentle slow flow class. Two new classes are now underway: Friday 4:30-5:30 p.m. Hour of Power Flow - Intermediate/adv Saturday 9:30-10:30 a.m.- Yoga for Sports -a fun fusion of yoga and martial arts. Intermediate/mixed level. Expanded class schedule: Wed, Fri, Sun. 10-11:15 a.m. Slow Flow Tues 6 p.m. Very Gentle Slow Flow Thurs. 6 p.m. Restorative Friday 4:30-5:30 p.m. Power Flow Intermediate/adv. Saturday 9:30-10:30 a.m. Yoga for Sports/Intermediate. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to call 219-861-7394.

Other opportunities to take advantage of at the community center: private parties, showers, birthday parties!! Long Beach Community Center has space for rent. Call Anne Heywood at the Long Beach Town Hall at 219-874-6616.

---submitted by Anne Heywood, 10/13/11
Eagletime is around the corner. Specifically, the American bald eagle is expected back from Canada in the next couple of months.

He nests perennially in the northern United States and Canada, then migrates south during the winter when rivers and lakes freeze. If that sounds counter-intuitive, it’s really not. The rivers and lakes may freeze, but the eagle has his own solution.

As the Illinois Raptor Center points out, “They (bald eagles) are often seen at locks and dams where water remains open all winter for fishing.” Starved Rock State Park is one such Illinois venue.

The result is predictable. “Eagles can usually be seen fishing below the Starved Rock Lock and Dam and roosting on (nearby) Leopold and Plum Islands in the months of December through February. The highest concentration of eagles is during the coldest time of year, usually January.”

Adds the Illinois DNR as a tip to those who would go eagle ogling, “Generally speaking, you can see between 5 and 30 eagles at any one time, December through February, depending on weather conditions. The best place to view the bald eagles is from the top of Starved Rock.” That’s a height of some 125 feet.

“Binoculars are loaned out at the Starved Rock Visitor Center.” Unstated is the caveat: “But if you’re planning on overnighting or sojourning there, it might be wise to make reservations early.”

Eagles are Lucky Ducks

Eagle connoisseurs agree that “The bald eagle is an American wildlife success story. Almost extinct at one time due to hunting, habitat loss, and the effects of pesticides like DDT, the bald eagle has made a stunning recovery.”

Over time, the lucky bird has earned its privileged status in American history. “In 1782, the Continental Congress made the bald eagle our national bird,” as the Illinois Raptor Center reminds us. “But bald eagle populations dropped from more than 100,000 nesting eagles at the time—in 1782—to only about 400 breeding pairs in 1963.

“That today, there are more than 7,500 breeding pairs in the lower 48 states, including an increasing number of nests found in Illinois.”

What do those nests look like? Keeping its answer neutral, the Raptor Center says, “Their nests are giant collections of sticks called eyries. The eagles add to the nests each year until they are several feet across.”

How are the nests used? Two or three white eggs may be laid in March or April. From there it may be tough going. “In captivity a bald eagle may live to be 50 years old. In the wild, only about one in ten bald eagles hatched lives to maturity,” notes the Raptor Center.

Such figures are current. Even so, it remains true that the bald eagle has been recovering from near extinction for more than a quarter of a century.

The eagle’s contact with the insecticide DDT presented the “national bird” with a truly ominous challenge. What occurred has been verified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and trained ornithologists.

The sequence of events, according to the Raptor Center: “Birds, like the bald eagle, ingested DDT after eating contaminated fish. The DDT caused the bird’s egg shells to be brittle and thin and to break easily. Eggs were often broken in the nest when the parents sat on them during incubation. This was one of the reasons populations declined to dangerous levels.
“DDT was banned in the United States in 1973, although it is still used in other parts of the world. Birds that migrate to other continents are still at risk.”

With removal of DDT from the eagle’s food chain, the eagle was officially down-listed from endangered to threatened in 1996. It became possible to consider another basic bald eagle need. As described by Fish and Wildlife Service officials, the need was a habitat factor: “Bald eagles need large stands of trees along waterways that are protected so the birds can roost in safety and still be close to their food sources.”

**A Bird with a Whim of Iron**

It’s temptingly easy to draw rules and expectations about the American bald eagle. But as more than one eagle expert has warned, “Just as soon as you predict their behavior or their preferences, they’ll break a rule, get a new idea, and do something totally different.”

It’s still mostly true that eagles have the capacity to soar on the wings of winds and thermals—and while exploring the sky encounter strong tailwinds and take renewed resolve to soar higher and farther.

Does that mean the bald eagle obeys whims? It can and does. But in doing so, it won’t forget its Nature-given attributes and basic temperament. One expert’s thoughts are informative:

“Generally, eagles are nowhere near as weather-dependent as songbirds are. Songbirds (and most other birds) migrate differently from eagles and other raptors. The latter migrate using soaring-gliding flight rather than by flapping-flying flight as with other species. This obviously conserves tremendous amounts of energy, but it also indicates that ideal weather conditions for migrating are different for the two groups. Many other species of birds also migrate at night while bald eagles move strictly during the daylight hours.”

**High on the Guest List**

Partly because bald eagles make it a ritual in most years to winter in Starved Rock State Park, the Park keeps the bald eagle very high on its guest list. When the eagles start arriving, the good news goes out.

The reason, of course, as the Illinois Raptor Center says, is that “bald eagles are important tourist draws for river communities. Many river towns host eagle watching festivals in winter.”

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Starved Rock Lodge, the Park’s marvelous home-away-from-home hostelry, becomes a center of activity once the “birds of winter” arrive...

-- Visitors to the Lodge will hope to see the Lodge’s presentation of the Live Birds of Prey Show, as in past years.

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-- Also as in past winters, “Sam,” the bald eagle replica that owns the role of mascot by affirmation of the Illinois Audubon Society, will be jollying the crowd to have his picture taken.

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“Sam,” the bald eagle mascot of the Illinois Audubon Society, loves to have his picture taken.
Crafters/Vendors Needed

St. John’s United Church of Christ, 101 St. John Rd., Michigan City, is having a Craft Sale at the church on Sat., Nov. 12, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The Michigan City High School Band Boosters will also be having a Bake Sale that day.

There is still space for crafters and vendors. If you are interested in booth space, phone Ruth Deutscher at 879-5807.

Author Visit at Fernwood Gardens

Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve, 13988 Range Line Road, Niles, MI

Sharon Beals -- Lecture and Book Signing, Fri., Oct. 21, 6:30 p.m. MI time

Meet the Artist, Sat., Oct. 22, 2-4 p.m.

You will be amazed at the large-format, high-resolution nest photos by California artist Sharon Beals, on display in Fernwood’s Gallery through November 13. The exhibit contains 30 breathtaking bird nest photographs captured against a dramatic black background using specimen nests and eggs, dating from the 1800s to present day, from California museum collections.

Beals’ work has been featured in Audubon Magazine, Scientific American, and can be found in private and public collections throughout California and beyond. Beals compiled her nest photos into a new book, Nests: Fifty Nests and the Birds That Built Them, released in the spring and available for purchase in Fernwood’s gift shop.

Beals will be at Fernwood on Fri., Oct. 21 at 6:30 pm, for a wine and cheese event, lecture, and book signing. The fee for the lecture is $30 (Fernwood and Berrien Birding Club Members $25); advance registration required. On Sat., Oct. 22, meet Beals in the Gallery between 2:00 and 4:00 pm; free with paid Fernwood admission. Berrien Birding Club is a sponsor for the Beals’ lecture and book signing on Friday, October 21. Phone Fernwood at 269.695.6491 to register for the special evening.

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-- The high-powered scopes and other equipment for outdoor eagle viewing will be prominent on Bald Eagle Watch Weekend, slated on January 28 and 29, 2012.

-- Of the 18 canyons in Starved Rock State Park, 14 offer waterfalls in the spring or after a heavy rain. Nine of those rank among the most scenic.

-- Bird-watchers planning on American bald eagle junkets to Starved Rock State Park or the Park’s environs for to-be-treasured winter photos of the national bird usually have spare time for excursions to the area’s ice falls.

Welcome, says the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. “Ice falls are found in 14 of the 18 Park canyons when the weather cooperates and when enough moisture descends during fall and winter for the ice to form. When that happens, the most scenic ice falls at Starved Rock are found in the St. Louis, French, Wildcat, LaSalle, Tonti, Hennepin, Ottawa, and Kaskaskia Canyons.”

Finally, is ice climbing on the Starved Rock menu in the depths of winter? Again, the DNR says YES. “Ice climbing is allowed at Starved Rock in these Canyons: French, Wildcat, LaSalle, and Tonti. Ice climbers, however, are required to sign in and out at the Park Office. And no equipment rental is available.”

For everyone’s safety, “The Park staff decides when there is enough ice to climb.”

Happy birding!
**Disaster Training for Volunteers**

The American Red Cross LaPorte County Chapter will be offering a Shelter Operations and Simulation class on Sat., Oct. 29. The class will be held at the chapter at 113 Warren Road, Michigan City at 9:00 a.m. and will end by 3 p.m.

This class is designed for individuals interested in helping if our community has need for an emergency mass shelter. If a fire should wipe out an apartment complex or if rising waters flood a subdivision, those families would need some place to stay and that is when a mass shelter is set up. Volunteers are needed to help keep the shelter operating smoothly 24/7. Individuals must be trained to participate. But, once trained, this opens the door to helping at shelters anywhere in the country.

Register on line at www.redcross.org or phone the Red Cross at 219/874-4247. This course and class materials will be offered free of charge.

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**Stonebaker Pizza Truck in Mich. City**

A woodfired pizza oven turns a 1949 Studebaker fire truck into a gourmet pizza wagon. Beverly Shore residents Andrea Georgian and Jim Chaddock (sort of assisted by their two year old son) are bringing the food truck craze to the Midwest.

So far the truck and its amazing pizza are at the Beverly Shores South Shore station on Rte 12. But this October 22 the truck will travel to Tryon Farm, 1500 Tryon Rd in our own Michigan City. People who have toured Italy say Andrea and Jim bake a better pizza. And the vintage shiny red fire truck with the oven is a kick.

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Chancellor’s Invitational Golf Outing

The Purdue University North Central recently hosted its Chancellor’s Invitational golf outing to benefit PNC Athletics as well as the PNC Alumni Association programs and activities.

The first place team included golfers Bert Cook, David Ortiz, Mike Mycka and Jay Pouzar.

The PNC golf outing has been the primary source of revenue for athletic scholarships, which help with recruitment and retention of student athletes. A portion of the proceeds from the outing will support alumni scholarships as well as alumni association activities and events that provide engagement and opportunities for students and alumni.

PNC recently added men's golf as its fifth NAIA-sponsored sport. PNC now offers intercollegiate golf, baseball, men's basketball, softball and women's volleyball programs.

Jay Williams, a 23-year PGA of America Member and director of Golf at Briar Leaf Golf Club in La Porte, will coach the new golf program.

Plans are in progress for the next Chancellor’s Invitational event on Monday, Sept. 17, 2012 at Sand Creek Country Club. Contact alumni@pnc.edu or 219-785-5697 with questions or to reserve a team or to become a sponsor.

Fall Costume Parade at MC Library

Wednesday, October 26 10:00 a.m.

The Fall Costume Parade will be held at the Michigan City Public Library. Wear a costume and join the parade through the library. Children will receive special treats in each department. Bring a bag for your treats and a camera to catch the fun! This program is free and open to the public.

Teens Speak Out Against Bullying

Hey U.G.L.Y. – Unique Gifted Lovable You is proud to announce the winners of the 2010-11 Acronym, Essay and Video contest asking youth across North America to do their part to speak out against bullying. In this, the eighth annual contest, students were asked to convert the negative words—Dork, Stupid, Loser, Hate and/or Racism into a positive acronym. The essay assignment was to write why having good self-esteem was important to stop bullying while the video challenge was to show why bullying is not cool.

Sixteen-year-old Dakota Cleek of Michigan City, Indiana converted the word stupid to Stop To Understand People’s Individual Differences.

Troy L., Drake C., and Taylor A., 11, 12 and 10 years old respectively, from L.E. Reinsborough School in Dalhousie, N.B. Canada won the video contest. Their video debuted on HeyUGLY.org October 12th; October is National Stop Bullying Month.

Seventeen year-old Emily Kinnunen of Minneapolis, Minnesota explained the importance of having positive self-esteem in order to stamp out bullying.

Cleek and Kinnunen won a $500 U.S. Savings Bond while the youth from L.E. Reinsborough School won $250 in cash.

The contests were created by Hey U.G.L.Y. – Unique Gifted Lovable You – the nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering youth to be part of the solution to bullying. The contest was sponsored by Dean Klassman, of Klassman Financial and judged by an independent panel of professional writers comprised of: Lisa Barron, freelance writer for People magazine; Rieva Lesonsky, former editorial director of Entrepreneur magazine; Sharon Dettmer, freelance writer for South Bend Tribune; Paul DeCeglie, writer for Pattaya Today; Rick Erwin, adjunct professor at St. Mary’s College at Notre Dame; Laurie Wink, freelance journalist; and Jill Zimmermann Rutledge, M.S.W., LCSW a psychotherapist and the author of several books.

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October 20 -- Flying Carpet Travelogue Series: “Texas, Byways and Highways.” 7 pm at the Elston Performing Arts Theatre, Detroit & Spring streets, MC. Tix $5 at the door.

October 20 -- “Hi, I’m Ernie Pyle.” One-man play about the WWII journalist by Gary Morrison. 7:30 pm at the Westchester Public Library Service Center, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton. Free, and open to the public. Info: 219/983-9715.

October 20-21 -- Bookmarks review and discussion by Dennis Norman of The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins. 2 pm on Thurs at Westchester Twp. History Museum, 700 W. Porter Ave., Chesterton and 2 pm Fri at MC Public Library. Free and open to the public; refreshments will be served.


October 21 -- Andreas Kapsalis and Goran Ivanovic accompany a silent film called “Blackmail” (guitar virtuosos) 8 pm MI time. Tix $15; reserve at 269/756-3879 or www.acorntheater.com

October 21-23, 27-29 -- “What the Butler Saw.” Chicago Street Theatre, 154 W. Chicago St., Valparaiso. Thurs/Fri/Sat 8 pm; Sun 2:30 pm. 219-464-1636, ext. 1 or www.chicagostreet.org

October 22 -- Mainstreet Farmer’s Market, 8th & Washington streets, MC. 8 am-noon. Bake sale by Missionary Baptist Church Youth Group.

October 22 -- Chess Club at LaPorte Co. Public Library, 904 Indiana Ave., LaPorte. 11 am. No charge and anyone can play, or learn how. More info at 219/362-7128.

October 22 -- Boo at the Zoo. Washington Park, MC. 5-8 pm. A safe Trick or Treating environment for all ages. Enjoy the animals at night and receive goodies from local sponsors. Members/admitted free, non-members: adults/$3, children 3-12/$2, under 3/free. Trick or treating for the children is $1. Purchase tickets in advance at the zoo ticket gate.

October 22 -- Writing Out Loud: HBO Def Poet Kevin Coval is the 3rd speaker in the series at the MC Public Library. 7:30 pm. Book signing following the program. Free, open to the public.

October 22 -- Roxy Bellows and Barstool Philosophers (improv comedy) at The Acorn Theater, 107 Generations Dr., Three Oaks, MI. 8 pm MI time. Tix are $15; reserve at 269/756-3879 or www.acorntheater.com

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**October 22-23 -- Fall Girlfriend Sale at Long Beach Community Center, 2501 Oriole Trl., Long Beach. Sat. 10 am-2 pm; Sun noon-4 pm (1/2 price day).**

**October 23 -- MOTHER-IN-LAW DAY**

**October 23 -- Fall Film Series: “Wasteland.” 2 pm at the MC Public Library. Free, open to the public. Related article elsewhere this issue.**

**October 23 -- Fine Arts Series presents The Konevets, a Russian male a cappella group from St. Petersburg. 4 pm at LaPorte Presbyterian Church, Kingsbury Ave. & US 35 south, LaPorte. Free will offering will be taken. Reception following the concert to meet the musicians.**

**October 24-30 -- PEACE, FRIENDSHIP and GOOD WILL WEEK.**

**October 25 -- Harbor Country Book Club. 7 pm MI time at the Harbor Grand Hotel, New Buffalo. Major Pettigrew’s Last Stand by Helen Simonson will be reviewed and discussed. New members welcome to attend.**

**October 26 -- Fall Costume Parade at MC Public Library for the children. 10 am. Bring a bag-treats in each dept. Free, and open to the public.**

**October 27-28 -- PNC Halloween Haunted Trail on campus. 7-11 pm each night. Adm. $5; get tix at baseball field parking lot. Info: 872-0527, ext. 5660.**

**October 28 -- AARP Driver’s Safety Course. 9:30 am at MC Public Library. For drivers 55+ to learn effects of aging on driving. $12/AARP members, $14/non-members. 873-3049 to register.**

**October 28 -- “Great Lakes Ghosts” with folk-singer and story teller Lee Murdock at Mainstreet Theatre, 807 Franklin St., MC. 8 pm. Tix $14/adults, $13/seniors & $7/students high school & younger. 874-4269. Preshow dinner pkg. for $17.50. Related story elsewhere this issue.**

**October 29 -- Fall Fest/Pre-Christmas Sale and flea market at Trinity Church, 6th & Franklin St., MC. 8 am-2 pm. Hot dogs, popcorn and soft drinks for sale.**

**November 3 -- PNC Open House. 5:30-7:30 pm in the Library-Student-Faculty Bldg., Room 144. Capus tours at 5:30 & 6:16 pm; breakout sessions begin 6:15 pm & include housing & financial info. families encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served. Preregister at 872-0527, ext. 5505.**

**Farther Afield:**

**October 21 -- Art Hop in Benton Harbor’s Art District: “ABC: Art Builds Communities.” 6-9 pm MI time. Art, live music, refreshments and more. Full event calendar at www.newterritoryarts.org**

**October 22 -- Indoor Flea Market at New Troy Community Center, 13372 California Rd., New Troy, MI. 9 am-3 pm MI time. Homemade lunch avail. for purchase. See map at www.friendsofniewtroy.org**
On October 20, 1803, the United States Senate ratified the purchase of the Louisiana Territory from France.

On October 20, 1873, P.T. Barnum opened the New York Hippodrome as the home for his “Greatest Show on Earth.”

On October 20, 1910, a baseball with a cork center was used for the first time in a World Series game.

On October 20, 1954 “Peter Pan,” starring Mary Martin as Peter Pan, opened on Broadway.

On October 21, 1520, Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan discovered the passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific that became known as “The Straits of Magellan.”

On October 21, 1906, Chicago’s last cable car made its final run on Cottage Grove Avenue.

On October 21, 1959, New York’s Guggenheim Museum, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, opened.

On October 21, 1976, Chicago author Saul Bellow was awarded the Nobel Prize for literature, the first American honored since John Steinbeck in 1962.

On October 22, 1746, New Jersey’s Princeton University received its charter.

On October 22, 1797, at Monceau Park in Paris, Andre Jacques Garnerin executed the first successful parachute jump from a balloon.

On October 22, 1883, the original Metropolitan Opera House opened in New York City.

On October 22, 1939, the first televised pro football game, the Brooklyn Dodgers against the Philadelphia Eagles, was aired by NBC from Brooklyn’s Ebbets Field.

On October 22, 1968, after 11 days in space, Apollo 7 astronauts Walter Schirra, Don Eisle, and Ronnie Cunningham, splashed down in the Atlantic Ocean.

On October 23, 1869, John William Heisman, the coach who revolutionized the game of college football, was born in Cleveland, OH.

On October 23, 1910, in Fort Wayne, IN, Blanche Scott became the first woman to make a solo flight in an airplane. She reached a height of 12 feet, a noteworthy achievement in 1910.

On October 23, 1915, 25,000 women marched in New York City demanding the right to vote.

On October 23, 1917, World War I American troops saw their first combat action near the French town of Luneville.

On October 23, 1925, longtime “Tonight Show” host Johnny Carson was born in Corning, IA.
October 24, 1861, a message from California Chief Justice Stephen Field to President Abraham Lincoln was the first telegram to be transmitted across the United States.

On October 24, 1901, in an effort to raise money to pay off a debt, Mrs. Anna E. Taylor agreed to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel, becoming the first person to survive the plunge.

On October 24, 1931, the George Washington Bridge, connecting New York and New Jersey, was officially opened to traffic.

On October 24, 1939, in Wilmington, DE, the first nylon stockings went on sale.

On October 24, 1992, the Toronto Blue Jays defeated the Atlanta Braves 4 to 3 in the seventh game of the World Series, bringing baseball’s crown to Canada for the first time.

On October 24, 2003, three Concorde s swooped into London’s Heathrow Airport, joining in a spectacular finale to the era of luxury supersonic jet travel.

On October 25, 1701, Philadelphia was granted a city charter.

On October 25, 1854, during the Crimean War, two-thirds of approximately 670 men of the English light calvary brigade were killed when they charged a heavily fortified Russian position. This ill-designed attack was the inspiration for Alfred Lord Tennyson’s poem *The Charge of the Light Brigade*.

On October 25, 1954, a meeting of the President’s Cabinet was televised for the first time.

On October 25, 1955, the Tappan Stove Company introduced the first electronic range designed for home use. It was priced at $1,200, and could cook bacon in 90 seconds.

On October 26, 1774, the First Continental Congress opened in Philadelphia.

On October 26, 1785, the first mules in the United States arrived from Spain, gifts to George Washington from King Charles III.

On October 26, 1825, the Erie Canal, which crossed upper New York and connected Lake Erie with the Hudson River, was officially opened.

On October 26, 1881, in Tombstone, AZ, Wyatt Earp, along with his two brothers and “Doc” Holiday, shot it out with Ike Clanton’s gang at the “OK Corral.” Both of Earp’s brothers were wounded, and three of the Clanton gang were killed.

On October 26, 1949, President Harry Truman signed a measure raising the minimum wage from 40 cents to 75 cents an hour.

On October 26, 1958, Pan American Airways flew its first Boeing 707 jetliner from New York to Paris. The trip took eight hours and 41 minutes.
**Preview of Work-in-Progress**

A preview of the work-in-progress on the film “Band of Sisters” will take place at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time on Sat., Nov. 5, at the Center for History, 808 W. Washington St., South Bend, in conjunction with the exhibit Women & Spirit: Catholic Sisters in America. Tickets are free with the purchase of a museum admission, which is $8/adults, $6.50/seniors, $5/youth 6-17, and free/members.

The documentary, produced by Mary Fishman, tells the story of Catholic nuns in the United States. Mary Fishman, the independent producer/director of “Band of Sisters,” was educated by nuns in Catholic grammar and high schools. Also an architect and urban planner, she is happy to combine her passion for social justice with her love of filmmaking. “Band of Sisters” is her first feature film.

Following the preview, Fishman, along with four Catholic sisters featured in the documentary, will provide a panel discussion about the film. Guided tours of Women & Spirit will also be part of the program. It is on view at the Center for History now through December 31, 2011.

For information, phone (574) 235-9664 or visit www.centerforhistory.org

**“Hi, I’m Ernie Pyle”**

First person interpreter Gary Morrison will portray Indiana’s famed World War II journalist Ernie Pyle in a tribute to the servicemen and women who fought and died during that war. The program is co-sponsored by the Westchester Township History Museum and the Duneland Historical Society at the Westchester Public Library Service Center, 100 W. Indiana Avenue, Chesterton, on Thurs., Oct. 20 at 7:30 p.m. There is no charge for the program.

“Hi, I’m Ernie Pyle,” is a one-person play presented in one or two acts recreating the dispatches of World War II Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Ernie Pyle. The play depicts the true reality of war as told to Americans on the home front in over 350 newspapers across the United States and read by millions of fighting men and women in the Stars and Stripes. The audience is invited to join a discussion about the show afterwards.

Gary Morrison is a retired freelance journalist and photographer who was born on April 18, 1945 – the day Ernie Pyle was killed by a sniper’s bullet on Ie Shima, a small island five miles off the coast of Okinawa.

The museum, an educational and cultural service of Westchester Public Library, is open to the public free of charge Wed.-Sun., 1-5 p.m. or by appointment. For more information, phone 219/983-9715.

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**Computer Training Series Continues**

*Bits and Bytes* will continue Tues., Nov. 1 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Westchester Public Library, with “Excel 2.” Attendees will meet in the Bertha Wood meeting room on the second floor of Thomas Library, 200 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.

The class is free, but registration is required as computer stations are limited to 15. Registration will begin Tuesday, October 18. To reserve your spot, visit or phone the Automation/Serials department or register online at www.wpl.lib.in.us/. Click on the Bits and Bytes link for class details.

Excel 2 will cover using multiple sheets in a workbook, simple macros, creating graphs from data tables, complex cell functions, and much more. Proficiency with the mouse is necessary. Excel 1 is a prerequisite to the class.

For more information, phone the Automation/Serials Department at 219/926-7696, ext. 25.
This is my “feel-good” book week! I have two selections for you to make you smile, and, well, just enjoy!

**Kitchen Counter Cooking School by Kathleen Flinn**

Who thought cooking could be so much fun?! Kathleen Flinn is a real-life graduate of the Cordon Bleu Cooking School in Paris, but this is no snooty high end cooking book that reeks of ingredients you never hear of--indeed, it’s a fun look at the things that make the average cook go running from the kitchen to the nearest take-out restaurant.

One fateful day after returning from Paris to her home in Seattle, Washington, Kathleen found herself following a young mother around a grocery store, astounded at what the woman put in her shopping cart--a very lot of processed, boxed and canned goods.

Finally introducing herself to the shopper, and giving her a few tips about what to buy, the woman admitted she was intimidated by cooking.

This encounter led Kathleen to an idea for a project: share her knowledge with timid cooks and help them understand that cooking was not rocket science-- just some basic know how and an open mind to keep trying and learning. As Julia Child said, “For most people, the only real stumbling block is fear of failure. In cooking, you’ve got to have a what-the-hell attitude.” Well said, Julia! (I really miss her TV show...)

The kernel of an idea started out while Kathleen watched the TV show “What Not to Wear” where the hosts looked into a woman’s closet and told her what was wrong with what she was wearing. Well, why wouldn’t that work with looking into a woman’s kitchen cabinets and pantry?

Her husband brought up a good point-- “Exactly where are you going to find people willing to let a stranger come into their house?”

Being a journalist and restaurant critic, Kathleen was asked on a radio show one day where she threw out a chance for listeners to contact her about a project to meet with her and learn about cooking. That night she had two dozen emails from interested people. And more came in...It seemed that women were more intimidated about their kitchens than Kathleen imagined. Things like “I rely on boxed products because it’s easy...” to “My mother never let me in the kitchen; she thought I was in the way...”

Kathleen ended up with ten ladies. She started by visiting each one in her home, looked into the cabinets at their supplies, and had them fix one dish for her.

After that, the group met at a commercial kitchen and the fun began! First things first--Kathleen had them bring in their kitchen knives. That was an eye-opener for most. From there, Kathleen went on to teaching them about tasting, how to cut up a chicken, fix fish and salads and lots more.

There are some recipes at the end of chapters, but what I found entertaining was the comments by the women and Kathleen’s easy way of explaining and teaching cooking that broke it down from fear and frustration to the fun and fundamentals of nutritional cooking.

Pick up this book--you won’t regret it!

**A Miracle in Progress-- Duneland Resale: Faith in Action by Ann Howard (oversize paperback)**

This work of non-fiction is about a special place that exists right in our backyard--Chester ton, Indiana. The idea for the resale shop came from St. John’s United Church in Chesterton, but it didn’t take long before the shop united many local churches and finally emerged as Duneland United Churches Resale, Inc., a non-profit organization.

Ann talks of the many spaces the store has out grown until it reached its present location of 801 Broadway in Chesterton. And she speaks of the many volunteers whose tireless devotion has kept the shop going and growing, and of the miracles she has seen and heard of through the shop. This little book is chock full of stories that will amaze and inspire you like no other, because they are true. Miracles, you know, come in all sizes: from simple needs met to the unexplainable bigger ones.

Ann speaks in a humble, sometimes humorous voice, that will warm your heart on these cool nights and let you know that, despite the news headlines, there are plenty of good people out there yet--you just have to let them into your life.

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