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Witness, Legacy & Triumph

by William Halliar

*“Today, like every other day,
we wake up empty and fright-
ened. Don’t open the door to the
study and begin reading. Take
down the dulcimer. Let the
beauty we love be what we do.”*

13th century poet-scholar
Jelalludin Rumi



We celebrate with music, and we mourn with music. We fall in love to music, and we march to war with it. Like the rhythmic beating of our hearts, music weaves through our lives, creating a backdrop for feelings and emotions. Within the music’s melodies, harmonies and rhythms is, lovingly cradled and preserved, the essence of our collective story.

For the past 18 years, a small group of volunteers and board members have put much time and thought into what has become a musical tradition here: Michigan City Chamber Music Festival. The much-anticipated event runs Aug. 3-11 at First Presbyterian Church, 121 W. Ninth St.

This year’s theme is “Witness, Legacy & Triumph.” Each of the five

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programs features music written to inspire men and women in times of hardship, to overcome and live triumphantly in spite of life's vagaries both happy and tragic.

The opening-night concert Aug. 3 is titled "Faith" and features what Artistic Director Nic Orbovich calls the "trunk of the tree": the music of Johann Sebastian Bach.

"Bach was a man of great faith," Orbovich says. "His great creative output was dedicated to God."

At the bottom of each page of music he wrote, in fact, Bach penned the words, "*Soli Deo Gloria* (For the Glory of God Alone)."

This first night will feature Bach's "Brandenburg

Concerto No. 6." Also included is "Concerto for Oboe d'amore." The oboe d'amore is a larger, mellower version of the traditional oboe. It is a double-reed instrument resembling the size and shape of the English horn.

The second concert, Aug. 5, is titled "Summer Escape" and will present a musical offering that offers some relief from the heat of summer with light arias from Bach's "Wedding Cantata."

The third program, Aug. 7, is titled "Forgiveness." Planned are a trio for clarinet, piano and cello, a suite for two violins and piano by Maurice Moszkowski, of "Night on Bald Mountain" fame, and a piano trio by Johannes Brahms, one of the great composers of the Romantic era.

Of the Aug. 9 concert, Orbovich says the music



Festival co-founder Nic Orbovich addresses the audience during one of last year's concerts. *Beacher* file photo by Bob Wellinski

About the Cover Photo: Rudolf Haken performs at last year's Michigan City Chamber Music Festival. *Beacher* file photo by Bob Wellinski

of Dimitri Shostakovich is “exciting...full of action.” Certainly, it will be an evening filled with emotion and not be missed.

The fifth concert on Aug. 11 will be an afternoon of “Hope,” with a piece by Vaughn Williams titled “On Wenlock Edge” for tenor and piano quintet. This piece speaks of the hope the composer feels after the aftermath of a terrible storm on a beloved refuge: It speaks of restoration and rebirth.

The series ends with Benjamin Britton’s “Songs for a Friday Afternoon.” This piece features a children’s choir, with Orbovich describing the effect as “whimsical and brilliantly arranged.”

The entire festival is designed to let the audience experience chamber music up close and personal. Each piece is introduced by the musicians. Commentary on the musical style and composers’ lives adds to these unique events.



Zofia Glashauser and Nic Orbovich perform together.
Beacher file photo by Bob Wellinski

“The experience of a small ensemble performance will draw you into an intense musical conversation with the players because no conductor is present,” Orbovich says, adding that the repertoire planned for the series spans centuries, “which means there is something for every listener.”

As in the past, the festival features many Grammy nominated, Emmy and *Gramophone Magazine* award-winning artists, including: Orbovich, violin and viola; Robert Auler, piano; Wesley Baldwin, cello; Melisa Baldwin, soprano; Zofia Glashauser, violin; Istvan Szabo, viola; Rudolf Haken, viola; Bill King, clarinet; Nancy Ambrose King, oboe; Jennifer Muñiz, piano; Ed Randles, bass; David Peshlakai, cello; Richard Hendrix, viola; Brook Bennet, cello; Kimberly Jones, soprano; and Matthew Daniel, tenor. As always, the concerts are free, with refreshments and opportunities to meet the musicians.

In addition to the formal concerts are three concerts for children.

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The schedule is:

Faith: "Music of J.S. Bach, "The Trunk of the Tree"

Saturday, Aug. 3, 7:30 p.m.

The performers: Robert Auler, piano; Rudolf Haken, Istvan Szabo, Richard Hendrix, violas; Nic Orbovich, violin/viola; Zofia Glashauser, violin; Brook Bennet, cello; Ed Randles, bass; Nancy Ambrose-King, oboe.

- "Chaconne," J.S. Bach
- "Brandenburg Concerto No. 6," J.S. Bach.
- "Sarabande," G.F. Handel.
- "Concerto for Oboe d'amore," J.S. Bach.



Summer Escape, Monday, Aug. 5, 7 p.m.

The performers: Kimberly Jones, soprano; Nancy Ambrose-King, oboe; Jennifer Muñiz, piano; Robert Auler, piano; William King, clarinet; Istvan Szabo, viola; Nic Orbovich, Zofia Glashauser, violins; Wesley Baldwin, cello.

- Arias from "Wedding Cantata BWV 202," J.S. Bach.
- "Summer Song," Miguel Del Águila.
- "Trio for Clarinet, Viola and Piano," Lowell Liebermann.
- "Quintet for Clarinet and Strings," Rudolf Haken.



Forgiveness: Wednesday, Aug. 7, 7 p.m.

The performers: Nic Orbovich, Zofia Glashauser, violins; Jennifer Muñiz, Robert Auler, piano; Wesley Baldwin, cello; William King, clarinet; Melissa Barrick Baldwin, soprano.

- "Trio for Clarinet, Cello and Piano," Carl Frühling.
- "Suite for 2 Violins & Piano, Opus 71," Maurice Moszkowski.
- "4 Songs for Soprano, Cello & Piano," André Previn.
- "Piano Trio in B Major, Opus 8," Johannes Brahms.



"Witness: The Music of Dmitri

Shostakovich," Friday, Aug. 9, 7:30 p.m.

The performers: Nic Orbovich and Zofia Glashauser, violins; William King, clarinet; Istvan Szabo, viola; Wesley Baldwin, cello; Jennifer Muñiz and Robert Auler, piano; Melissa Barrick-Baldwin, soprano.

- "Suite for Clarinet, Violin & Piano," Darius Mil-



Audiences remain devoted to the festival and its performers.

haud.

- "Romanzen Suite," Dmitri Shostakovich.
- "Duo in Memory of the Littlest," Susan Kander.
- "Piano Trio, Opus 67," Dmitri Shostakovich.



Hope: Sunday, Aug. 11, 3 p.m.

The performers: Zofia Glashauser, Nic Orbovich, violins; Istvan Szabo, viola; Wesley Baldwin, David Peshlakai, cello; Jennifer Muñiz, piano; Matthew Daniel, tenor; Melisa Barrick Baldwin, soprano; singers from the MCCMF Summer Children's Choir

- "Quintet for Strings, Opus 39," Alexander Glazunov.
- "On Wenlock Edge," Ralph Vaughan-Williams.
- "Selections from Friday Afternoon," Benjamin Britten.

The children's concerts schedule is:

- Tree Trunks at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, at First Presbyterian Church. A look at musical families featuring music by Bach and Mozart. Art projects and snacks are planned.
- "How does that make you feel?" at 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, at First Presbyterian Church. A look at music and emotion, with art projects and snacks.
- For Children by Children" at noon Saturday, Aug. 10, at Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. The program features local music students and a children's choir.



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“Hollywood” is Pure Tarantino: Bold, But Puzzling

by Andrew Tallackson

Quentin Tarantino never met a chunk of Hollywood cheese he didn't worship. Blaxploitation (“Jackie Brown”). Asian revenge flicks (“Kill Bill”). Alternate history (“Inglourious Basterds,” “Django Unchained”). Spaghetti westerns (“The Hateful Eight”). Genres critics once thumbed their noses at, reborn as hip because he knows these films better than those who made them.

With “Once Upon a Time in Hollywood,” Tarantino's motives for the first time are unclear. The title, itself, is a nod to Sergio Leone “spaghetti” epics, and by focusing on the movie industry in the late 1960s, he provides a snapshot of a crucial turning point in cinema.

Taken literally, for those familiar with slain actress Sharon Tate, the film is a 2 hour and 41 minute tease: “what if” revisionist history where, for the longest time, not much happens...until a burst of climactic violence elicits a love-it-or-loathe-it response. You leave the theater with a head-scratching reaction.

Then again, that's Tarantino, right? Brilliant. Bold. Crazy. Obvious. Offensive. Perplexing. It's all there in this, his ninth film since 1992's cagey “Reservoir Dogs.”

The movie weaves through two parallel stories.

On one level, what Tarantino is exploring is the fragility of male star power, when men in Hollywood arrive at a precarious tipping point. The choice roles of youth are absent. On another level, the director toys with what we know about Tate, her marriage to Roman Polanski and what happened that fateful night on Aug. 9, 1969.

Why link a fictional tale, culled from tales of old Hollywood stars, with a real-life tragedy? For the longest time, we aren't sure. Thankfully, we have Leonardo DiCaprio as TV western star Rick Dalton and Brad Pitt as his longtime stunt man, Cliff Booth. These two exist in a vacuum. The very system that cultivated their stardom has moved on. Their characters in danger of being middle-age fossils, DiCaprio and Pitt give us a friendship born out of trust. These two are each other's lifelines.

DiCaprio does what he does best: create a jittery alpha male. Pitt doesn't hide his age: he celebrates every line and crease on his face. He is “cool,” by “cool” standards, because of his confidence: at ease with where he is at this phase in his life.

The paths of Rick and Cliff cross with Tate (Margot Robbie, “I, Tonya”), who is eight months pregnant and enjoying success with 1968's “The Wreck-

ing Crew.” The film's most affecting moment arrives as Tate watches her movie in a crowded theater, savoring the audience's reaction. We smile, a reaction tinged with sadness by what we know awaits her.

By the end, however, Tarantino is not concerned



Leonardo DiCaprio and Brad Pitt star in Quentin Tarantino's “Once Upon a Time in Hollywood.”



“Once Upon a Time in Hollywood”

Running time: 161 minutes. Rated R for language throughout, some strong graphic violence, drug use and sexual references

with staging a docudrama. It *appears* he is, with time stamps flashing across the screen, but, again, if we are to take “Once Upon a Time in Hollywood” literally, then riddle me this: Has the director placed Rick and Cliff in the path of history solely to subvert audience expectation?

Not sure. Maybe Tarantino doesn't want us to ponder that theory. He just wants to pull off a ferocious sucker-punch.

There are some who call “Once Upon a Time in Hollywood” Tarantino's masterpiece. Hardly. That distinction belongs to the time-bending “Pulp Fiction.” It is wild, though. Can't argue with that.

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Great Lakes Grand Prix Expands Lineup



The Saturday boat parade that heads through the Taste of Michigan City is one of the weekend's popular events.

A Jet Ski competition, relatively new to water-racing sports, is now part of the Great Lakes Grand Prix lineup, complete with FOX Sports coverage.

The 11th annual Grand Prix weekend, which includes the Taste of Michigan City and Franklin Street boat parade, is Thursday through Sunday, Aug. 1-4.

For this year's event, Visit Michigan City LaPorte, the tourism agency that organizes the Grand Prix, partnered with American Power Boat Association. Doing so places Michigan City's races in a six-venue series staged by the association, which formed when Powerboat P1 and the Offshore Powerboat Association united. Also coming onboard is AquaX, which promotes high-endurance Jet Ski racing globally.

Michigan City is the third stop in the five-city Pro Series, with some 30 Jet Skis competing Saturday and Sunday. The race will be aired at three different times by FOX Sports.

Overall attendance has mushroomed over time, with last year's races and other activities during the weekend drawing more than 140,000 people.

During the racing phase, spectators gather at Washington Park along the lakefront to watch powerboats reaching speeds of up to 175 miles per hour. Up to 60 powerboats are expected this year, according to race director Rick Wright, with racing set for

Saturday and Sunday.

At 6 p.m. Saturday is the annual Boat Parade, which includes powerboats and Jet Skis heading north on Franklin Street, with a block party afterward where fans can meet the drivers. Throughout the weekend, attendees also can visit the dry pits where the boats and Jet Skis are kept.



The Taste of Michigan City, sponsored by The Michigan City Mainstreet Association, brings numerous local eateries to the Uptown Arts District. Local breweries and wineries are featured in the beer garden, while musical entertainment is planned at the Taste and each night on the Washington Park

Boardwalk, where live bands play.

Taste of Michigan City, located in the 400 through 1100 blocks of Franklin Street, runs from 4 to 11 p.m. Aug. 2 and noon to 10 p.m. Aug. 3. The interactive Kids Zone is from noon to 3 p.m. Aug. 3. More information is available at "Taste of Michigan City 2019" on facebook.

Other events include a vintage car show, EVP volleyball tournament and silent auction for charity in honor of Michigan City Emergency Management volunteers.

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MICHIANA TO NEW BUFFALO SUFFERING FROM HIGH WATER LEVELS

Last month, I said I really believed the high water levels were hurting property values near Lake Michigan, but the numbers in the area from east of Trail Creek to the Michigan line did not support my “gut feeling.”

So, I did the same kind of analysis for the area southwest of the New Buffalo Harbor to the Indiana line. After all, this is the area where just about all the beaches have disappeared. The erosion along the coast in this area has been incredible, right through the first week in July 2019.

Here are the numbers for the period of June 29 through June 29 for the past two years.

Yr.	Units Sold	\$Vol	Med Price	Med Sq ft	DM	% List
17-18	71	\$34.4 M	\$405k	\$250	84	95%
18-19	62	\$32.2 M	\$429k	\$233	103	95%

Number of sales down 13%; Total \$Volume down 6%; median sale price up (as usually happens when market is down overall); median square foot cost down 7%. More days to sell (but this number is suspect because of hidden listings). No difference in last list price to sale price %. This number has been constant for years.

These numbers support my intuitions that the area just north of the Indiana/Michigan border has gone down overall in both number of sales and in price. As I said, whenever the market goes down, the median price goes because changes in number of sales are always more numerous at the low end than at the high end. Think about it. It does make sense.

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First Long Beach Trail System Family Hike Planned

by Kim Nowatzke

Looking for a fun, family-friendly activity?

The first Long Beach Trail System Family Hike may be just the right event. The free walk — appropriate for all ages — is from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Aug. 3.

Participants should look for the blue-and-white balloons signifying the trail entrance across from Hacienda Mexican Restaurant, 2148 N. Karwick Road. The horseshoe-shaped trail is expected to take about 30 to 40 minutes to complete, but walkers may shorten the route if necessary.

The event was created to “get kids more involved in nature activities in this area – to be involved and in touch with what’s out there,” said Dr. Annabella Juhasz, Long Beach Land Conservation Subcommittee president. The group, she continued, is made up of “people that love trees, Moon Valley and dedication to preserving natural resources in this area.”

Rachel Stadler Colbeth is a young mother who joined the subcommittee a few months ago, just about the time plans for the hike took

shape.

“I got to experience this from the very beginning and see it come about from the ground up,” she said.



Abigail Colbeth, 6, and her younger sister, Hazel Colbeth, 2, take frequent hikes with their mother, Rachel Stadler Colbeth.

Colbeth enjoys frequent hikes with her two daughters, Abigail, 6, and Hazel, 2. Living in Long Beach, they go on hikes together two or three times a month, usually in Moon Valley or Indiana Dunes State Park.

“I enjoy being outdoors. It’s great for the kids to be outdoors. It’s nice to see it from their perspective,” Rachel Colbeth said. “I enjoy spending that time with them. It’s a connection to the area of the community we live in.”

She usually looks for trails that are close by, with easy access, and limits the walk to no more than 45 minutes.

“I want to make sure they enjoy it and aren’t too pushed,” Colbeth said. “We get to see all sorts of wildlife and the changing of the seasons. They get excited to see that.”

At the Aug. 3 hike, Pottawatomie Audu-

bon Society members will help identify birds, bird sounds, trees and insects. In addition, the trail will be marked with red tape. And, the first 10 kids who finish a special scavenger hunt for animals, birds and plants receive a copy of The Birds of Indiana Field Guide.

Juhasz emphasized the walk is not just for Long Beach residents, but for “everyone in Michigan City and beyond.” She’s hoping to get families involved, and that the hike becomes an annual tradition.

Those interested can park in Hacienda’s parking lot; the business already has granted permission to hikers.

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Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, with admission at \$5 per person or \$7 for the entire weekend. Children 12 and younger are free, as is parking. Dogwood Park is located at County Road 1100 North and 23rd Street.

Mark VanderVinne, a landscape painter from Porter, returns this year.

"When I first moved to the Chesterton area, I did so to raise my children in a smaller town, and to get closer to nature so it was more readily available to paint," he said in a press release.

"I still remember going to my first Chesterton Art Fair and being surprised at the quality of work. I was not an exhibitor then, but I knew it was something I wanted to be a part of in the future. I've been exhibiting as an artist for about 10 years now at the art fair, and it's always been a great event."

Other Porter County artists include: Mary Acton (*Pysanky* eggs), Jackie Gray (fiber), Nancy Harrington (jewelry and wind chimes), Cynthia Hicks (jewelry), Jackie Kalin (mixed media), Dave Lee (glass), Jayde McAloon (jewelry), Kathi Millet (jewelry), George Millet (painting), Mary Ann Pals (pastel), Joel Pisowicz (ceramics) and Candice Sexton (jewelry). Artists from Lake County include Rita

Anthony (photography), Ricardo Cortez (sculpture), Peggy Davis (acrylic), Sally Hooker (watercolor), Joe Ladendorf (photography), Kelly Meska (clay), Kathy Smith (2-D mixed media) and Scott Smith (photography).

The fair also will feature local food and entertainment. Each day, the Golden Fingers Ukulele band performs from 11 a.m. to noon and Ally Christian from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. The Salt Exchange will play at 2 p.m. Saturday, followed by the Flashbacks at 3:30 p.m. The Northwest Indiana Youth Symphony performs at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Food options include Ivy's Bohemia House, The Women of the Moose, St. Elizabeth's Orthodox Church, Biggby Coffee and Dog Days Ice Cream Parlor. Chesterton Art Center will sell cold beverages.

In the Children's Art Booth, youth can choose from a variety of arts and crafts that can be created on site and taken home. Art Fair T-shirts (adult sizes for men and women) will be sold beforehand at Chesterton Art Center, 115 S. Fourth St.,

and during the event at the hospitality tent. Anyone wearing the T-shirt receives free admission. Those who decorate their shirt receive a raffle ticket good for prizes at the hospitality tent.

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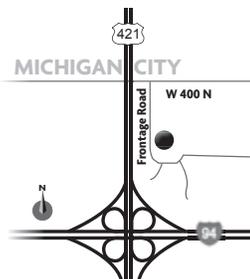
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Families can hunt for leprechauns and win cash prizes up to \$1,500 during Share Foundation's 25th annual Leprechaun Hunt from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 4.

The prizes are hidden within the fields of Sharing Meadows, a community for other-abled adults run by Share Foundation. The cost at the door is \$55, \$50 for seniors and free for children 13 and younger when accompanied by a parent or grandparent.

Chef Philippe Joseph of Philippe's Deli and Catering, Munster, will prepare a menu of ribs, chicken, sausage and corned beef and cabbage. Leroy's Hot Stuff will serve tacos and nachos. Fresh roasted sweet corn is drawn in butter. Also planned are pulled pork dinners, hamburgers and hot dogs, homemade zucchini bread, assorted salads, beer and wine for adults and soda for children.

Live Irish entertainment is by New Element, The Ploughboys and the Doolin Clan. Also planned is Magic by Kalita, hayrides, a moonwalk, boating and fishing. Sharing Meadows villagers will sell crafts, including handmade birdfeeders, benches, wine racks, woven rugs, placemats and dish towels.

All proceeds benefit the Share Foundation, a non-profit, privately funded organization that serves the residential, vocational and social needs of other-abled adults. It is located on County Road 300 East, two miles north of U.S. 20. Gates for the leprechaun hunt open at 11 a.m.

Call the Share Foundation at (219) 778-2585 or visit www.leprechaunhunt.org for more details.

Roosevelt Pipe Organ Series

The 18th season of the Roosevelt Pipe Organ Series continues Wednesday, Aug. 7, at Christ Church (the former First Congregationalist Church), 531 Washington St.

All performances are free and at 12:15 p.m. Wednesdays.

Performing Aug. 7 is George Karst, who teaches music history, music theory and keyboard at Indiana University-Kokomo. In December 2018, he was appointed organist at Chesterton's First United Methodist after completing a short-term contract as organist-choirmaster at Trinity Church in Michigan City. In 2013, he started a Youtube channel at www.youtube.com/user/cxidp, which includes brief samples of material from ancient music to new music.

Karst and Sunny Gardner-Orbovich conducted the 2018 Evensong, held with the Episcopal Diocese and Catholic Archdiocese in Chicago as they celebrated the service of Emeritus Episcopal Bishop James Montgomery

Also of note, the 1891 Roosevelt Opus 506 tracker organ is in need of a new home. Call Ann Dobie at (219) 608-5358 for details.

Michigan City Municipal Band

The next free concert of Michigan City Municipal Band's 151st season is at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 1, at Washington Park's Guy F. Foreman Bicentennial Amphitheater.

The guest soloist is Anne Bice, a Valparaiso University voice professor. Bice has extensive performance experience, singing in a variety of styles. She will sing music from "Les Miserables" and by Led Zeppelin.



Bice

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- "The Star-Spangled Banner."
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- "Ballad for Peace," Frank Erickson.
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- "I Dreamed a Dream" from "Les Miserables."
- "Ghost Fleet" by Robert Sheldon.
- "Yorktown Centennial March," John Philip Sousa.
- Patriotic sing-along: "My America," arranged by Joyce Eilers.

Jeffrey Doebler is the band conductor and Quincy Ford the assistant conductor. Rick Carlson is the announcer. Parking on Lake Shore Drive is prohibited and available in the lots closest to the amphitheater, as well as the senior center. Entrance to the park is free with a Michigan City park sticker.

Noon Time Talk Series

The Noon Time Talk Series continues with a program on John Rogers (1829-1904) at 12:20 p.m. EDT Thursday, Aug. 1, at Midwest Museum of American Art, 429 S. Main St., Elkhart.

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A Trip Down Macfarlan Lane

My cousin, John Hope, was kind enough to send me an electronic copy of our great-grandfather's valedictory address. It was made on March 10, 1873, during the 25th annual commencement at Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia.

I speak of Malcolm Macfarlan, who was professor of clinical surgery at Hahnemann and a Civil War veteran, having served the Union under Frederick

Steele's command in Florida during the hostilities, then as sole quarantine doctor at the entrance of Mobile Bay for three seasons. In 1866, Dr. Macfarlan was attacked with yellow fever while tending to patients on a ship that just arrived from Havana.

Our great-grandfather retired from the Grand Army of the Republic in 1867 and was appointed to the chair of surgery at the Old College in Philadelphia. He at once took measures to establish a surgical clinic, which was kept up throughout the year.

Dr. Macfarlan continued to serve until the union of Old College and Hahnemann Medical College in 1869, when he was appointed to the chair of clinical surgery at the combined colleges under the Hahnemann name. He held that position until the end of the 1875-1876 session, when he resigned. And, as previously stated, he delivered the aforementioned valedictory address at Hahnemann in 1873.



A gathering of Clan Macfarlan at Malcolm Macfarlan's grave at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Philadelphia in 2011. Pictured are (from left) Cousin John Hope, the late Hannah Macfarlan McKelvy and Charles and Natalie McKelvy.

Our great-grandfather was born in 1841 in Elderslie, Scotland. He died in 1921 at the family home in Ardmore, Pa., near Philadelphia. My cousin John's mother, Mary Louise, met her grandfather, the good doctor, when she was an infant and was running amok in his prized rose bushes. Aside from that memory, we have Dr. Macfarlan's advice to the "gentlemen of the graduating class" to, as he said:

Practice your art for your art's sake, rather than for the pecuniary reward it may bring you. I do not say that it is your duty to continue your service in any family where there is lacking not the ability, but the disposition to pay for them. But I do say that it is your duty never to refuse attendance when you are called to render it to those who are too poor in this world's goods to recompense you.

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pathetic, whereas a genial warmth of manner, kind words and an exhibition of interest in your patients will oftentimes benefit them as much as your remedies. They tend to produce a feeling of cheerfulness and vigor of mental tone, the importance of which is hardly to be estimated, considering the intimate connection between mind and body — the spiritual and material. The manner in which a physician deals with his patient is by no means unworthy of consideration.

Don't walk into a sick chamber like an animated tombstone, don't sit by the bedside of your patient with a solemn face as if you had come to measure him for his coffin.

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In the next place, be patient. If success does not at once attend to your efforts, if practice does not flow in upon you, be content to wait.

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Leonard Sailor was the piper at my mother's funeral in 2014. Yes, she got to hear him play before she died.

Let me add also, if your patient be of the gentler sex, never let your breath be tainted with the vile fumes of tobacco, nor yet viler odors of the still. Be careful and neat also in administering medicines. I have been amused by hearing of an estimable lady who complains that her physician always treats herself and her dressing-grown for the same complaint, and administers an equal quantity of powders to each.

ever well grounded you may be in theory, I think I hazard but little in saying that you will find hardly a case in which you will not have to supplement your knowledge gained from books by your own common sense and observation. Furthermore, never exhibit any jealousy of a rival of your own or any other school.

To speak disparagingly of one's professional brethren — however well-deserved the censure may be, is by most persons considered but the venting of spleen; and if difficulties must arise, it is better to assume the attitude of defense than attack.

But I would advise you to take even that position as seldom as possible. Forbearance will often turn your enemy into your friend, retaliation never will. 'Charity suffereth long and is kind.'

That was my great-grandfather saying all that.

He died long before I was born, but now I know him. And, yes, his words from so long ago are so, so relevant today in an age when so-called "health care" is by the numbers. Where are the good doctors like my great-grandfather? I wish I could bring him back to talk to modern medical students.

And yes, I knew of his service to the Union during the Civil War, and I know that two of his sons, Douglas, who served as an Army doctor in France during World War I, and Donald followed his lead by becoming doctors. I also know he discouraged my grandfather, Kenneth Macfarlan, from becoming a veterinarian, saying: "No son of mine is going to become a horse doctor."

And, yes, I grew up looking at portraits of Dr. Macfarlan and his wife, Hannah, in our living room. Those portraits followed my mother, Malcolm's granddaughter, Hannah, throughout her life. When she died on June 4, 2014, they found a home briefly with us until we shipped them to my nephew in Florida, where they now reside.

But while my great-grandparents were with us in June 2014, I saluted them by playing "Auld Lange Syne" on my clarinet in their honor, just as I honor the good Doctor Macfarlan now by reprinting his warm and timeless advice in 1873 to the graduates of the Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia.

Again, I would hope my great-grandfather's good words are hearkened to those now entering the field of medicine. Thank you, Doctor Macfarlan. I feel better for having read your good, orderly directions to newly minted doctors.



The author played "Auld Lang Syne" for his Scottish great-grandparents in 2014 before they "moved" to Florida.

The Day The Internet Died

All morning long the notice — Cannot Send Message: connection to the outgoing server failed — loitered on the screen of my laptop like a bad taste lingers on the back of your tongue. Each time I crafted a response to an email, hit send and moved to another message, the warning reappeared. Countless times, I navigated to settings, checked for network connectivity, hit refresh and resent the email, only to receive the identical outcome.

As a mother of four, my patience is practiced, honed. Knowing when to blow a cork and when to hold back took years of practice. I've put in my share of waiting in carpool lines, dental offices and basketball games where my child received her only playing time during the final seconds. Now, as an empty nester, I'm honing my inner calm with meditation and Yoga. Yet after several of the-Internet-is-down cycles, my inner Zen evaporated.

Since the connectivity gods had stolen my serenity, I did what I always do when I've endured Internet silence for longer than 15 minutes. I sauntered over to the top of the stairs and yelled down to my husband. His garbled holler back meant he was aware and equally frustrated. I leaned over the railing, listening for sounds, movement to the lower level where the Internet gods live in the rec room closet. Expletives wafted up the stairwell. Sighing, I returned to my office.

The desk chair and I rolled into place. Paperwork I had no interest in tackling shuffled from one side of the desk to other. All I wanted to do was address my emails. I picked up my cell phone. One bar, then none. I flicked it over and looked away, like you'd

That Girl, This Life

Julie Ryan McGue

do when putting a child in time-out. Intermittently, my cell would buzz. I'd snatch it up, thinking I was back online. A ticker tape of emails trickled across the top of the screen and disappeared. The Wi-Fi was a tease. The number of unread messages rose, yet my inability to access them stayed constant. The Internet gods had commandeered all my devices.

Locked out from the tech world, I left my desk and headed to the kitchen. I assembled a meatless, summer squash soup in the Crock-pot, then dragged out

my sneakers and filled a water bottle. On impulse, I stuffed my mobile into my back pocket, in case I could tap into one of my neighbor's unsecured networks.

At the corner where my street intersected the county road, I discovered I was not alone in the punishments levied by Wi-

Fi, the all-powerful. My neighbors proclaimed the outage was area-wide. Our group of three grew to five. We'd never seen so many walkers and bicyclists about at this hour on a Monday. As we quipped and chatted, we forgot about the downed Internet. The prevailing mood of "we are in this together" loosened our tongues. We shared stories, gossip. Laughter echoed down the lane. We were communing as neighbors did before there was Internet and Wi-Fi.

Honestly, it felt like a snow day, a day when streets are impassable, when commitments are cancelled and the only options are shoveling or building a snowman. With no snow to sculpt or remove, the neighbors and I entreated others to join our live group chat. As folks wove in and out of our enclave, the lack of tech connectivity drove our gabfest. The books on our bedside tables, the new restaurant opening in town and the notion of a neighborhood block party or potluck picnic became the focus.

With each proper introduction to a person I recognized, but didn't know, belonging stirred in my core. With the warm surge of fellowship, technology's hiccup and all my unread/unsent emails seemed trivial. My sense of community, and my role in it, surged. So did my optimism and inner calm. The emails could wait.

Perhaps this day will be infamous as the day friendships grew, the year the annual block party formed a planning committee, not the day the Internet died. I'm grateful for the break the lack of connectivity provided...for there's different connections to foster now.

(Julie McGue is a Duneland Beach resident.)

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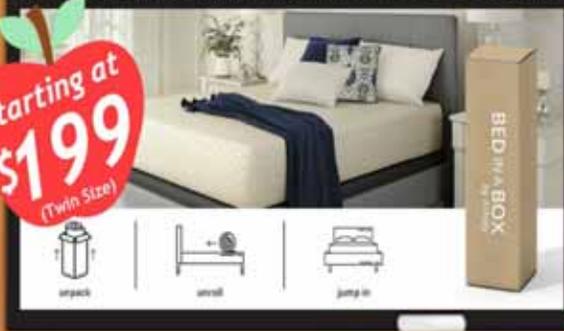
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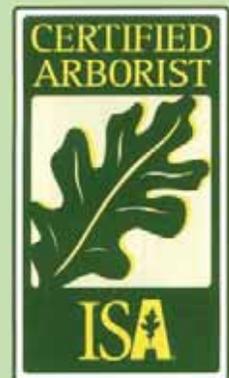
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Magnificent Lake Michigan is right around the corner. Quaint cottage with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath with walk-out basement, sits on 2 lots. Parking for up to 6 cars. Beautiful beach at Stop 38, plus Village of Michiana has tennis courts, playgrounds and more.

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New Sculptures Part of SculptFusion



Ruth Migdal's "Ascending."

The Michigan City Public Art Committee will unveil four new large sculptures, part of the SculptFusion celebration, from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 31, at Haas & Associates, 526 Franklin St.

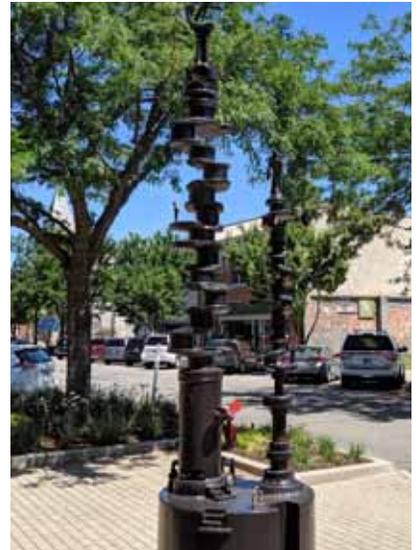
The additions increase the total collection within or near the Uptown Arts District to 15.

"These four newly leased sculptures featuring highly original works by noted sculptors have elicited a variety of animated comments from viewers, which is exactly what we had hoped for in the Uptown Arts District, Washington Park, major roadways like Michigan Boulevard, the Charles Westcott Park and the city's West Side..." MAC Board Member Judy Jacobi said in a press release.

Newly leased pieces are:

- Sunny Han's "Crystal Effect III," a work of linked primary colors at Ninth and Franklin streets.
- Charles Pilkey's "Motor City," which references the significant presence of the automotive and related industries for which the region is known.
- Ruth Migdal's "Ascending," a large sculpture continuing the signature red color of her series, expressing celebration and positivity.
- Fisher Stolz's "Clairvoyance," a stainless steel work featuring continuously spiraled pieces.

Several of the artists will be present to introduce their sculptures. A variety of Michigan City area restaurants, culinary artists and companies have volunteered "lite bites" and refreshments.



Charles Pilkey's "Motor City."



Sunny Han's "Crystal Effect III."



Fisher Stolz's "Clairvoyance."



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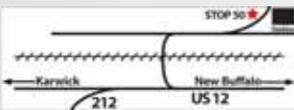
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Wings of Freedom Tour at Porter County Regional Airport

To honor World War II veterans, The Collings Foundation will bring the Wings of Freedom Tour to Porter County Regional Airport in Valparaiso on Aug. 1-4.

The 110-city nationwide tour highlights rare bomber and fighter aircraft: the B-17 Flying Fortress "Nine O Nine," B-24 Liberator "Witchcraft," B-25 Mitchell "Tondelayo" bombers and P-51 Mustang "Toulouse Nuts" and P-40 Warhawk "Jaws" fighters.

The B-17 is one of only nine in flying condition in the United States.

The B-25 is best known for the Doolittle Raid, and the B-24J is the sole remaining example of its type. The P-51 Mustang just received Grand Champion for restoration. New to the tour is the P-40 Warhawk, which is known for being part of the Flying Tigers.

Visitors can explore the aircraft inside and out. The cost is a \$15 donation for adults and \$5 donation for children 12 and younger. World War II veterans



can tour for free. Visitors also may take a 30-minute flight. The cost is a tax-deductible donation. Flights on either the B-17 or B-24 are \$450 per person. B-25 flights are \$400 per person. P-40 flights are \$2,200 for a half hour and \$3,200 for a full hour. P-51 flights are \$2,400 for a half hour and \$3,400 for a full hour.

The tour arrives at 2 p.m. Aug. 1 and remains at the airport main ramp until 5 p.m. Aug. 4. Hours for ground tours and the display are: 2-5 p.m. Aug. 1 and 10 a.m.-5: p.m. Aug. 2-4. The 30-minute flight experiences normally are

scheduled before and after the ground tour times.

Porter County Regional Airport is located at 4207 Murvihill Road.

The Collings Foundation is a non-profit educational foundation that organizes "living history" events. The Wings of Freedom Tour is in its 30th year. Call (800) 568-8924 or visit www.collingsfoundation.org/event/valparaiso-in for details.

Women in Leadership Seminar

The annual Women in Leadership of LaPorte County's annual technical seminar is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, at the LEAP Office, 809 Washington St., LaPorte.

Alicia Cannon, CEO of Apex Filling Systems, will discuss how to take the mystery out of financial results, including how to read and understand P&L, Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statement.



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The registration fee is \$17 for WILL members and \$22 for non-members. Seating is limited. The cost includes a catered lunch and refreshments.

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The following events are planned at Chesterton Art Center, 115 S. Fourth St.:

• **Melissa Washburn is August's featured artist, her solo exhibit, "All the Little Things," set for Aug. 3-28.**

The opening reception is from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11.

Washburn is an artist/illustrator/graphic designer living in Valparaiso. She grew up in upstate New York, in the foothills of the Adirondacks, but has lived in the Midwest since 1996. Her fascination with things that run, fly and grow has led to editorial commissions for publications such as *Edible Indy*, *Charlotte Home & Garden* and *Smithsonian Magazine*. She continues to exhibit her work throughout Northwest Indiana, as well as illustrating and designing for stationery, textiles, advertising and package design.



Melissa Washburn's "Halictidae."

Her background includes a Bachelor of Fine Arts in painting and printmaking from Binghamton University, a Master's Degree in arts administration from Indiana University, coursework at The School of the Art Institute of Chicago and experience as art director at advertising firm Group 7even.

• **Local painter Mark VanderVinne will host Critique Night at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7.**

Artists can take a piece at any stage, from conception to the final version, with all ability levels and styles invited.

Guests may simply listen; however, participation is encouraged. While being a safe environment, it is a critique involving advice and insight into the effectiveness of the work or artistic concept.

• **Leona Jurincie will teach two four-week workshops starting Saturday, Aug. 10.**

The first, designed for beginners, is a Prismacolor Pencil Class from 9 a.m. to noon. Participants learn blending, layering applications, various techniques with Prismacolor pencils and art sticks, plus how to utilize the correct solvent for specific effects.

The second is an Oil Painting Class starting from 1 to 4 p.m. It is designed for beginners, as well as more advanced students. Beginners learn basic oil-painting techniques. Jurincie will walk them through starting a project, mixing colors, using/cleaning brushes and utilizing solvents. Intermediate and advanced students will practice using still lifes or reference photos, enhancing their work with color, and using more than one reference photo.

Supply lists will be provided at registration. The cost of each class is \$170, with members receiving a \$20 discount.



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Michigan City Public Library

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

- **Makerspace: open lab hours from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Thursdays.**

Youth ages 6-18 create with LEGO WeDo, Micro Bits, paper circuits and Ozobots. Children 12 and younger must have a parent or guardian attend.

- **Last Day of the Summer Reading Program from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, in Youth Services.**

Aug. 3 marks the last day to record reading hours and pick up prizes.

- **Free Gentle Flow Yoga at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3.**

Certified yoga instructor Lauralee Sikorski emphasizes deep breathing and releasing stress. Take a mat and wear comfortable clothing.

- **Pokemon Go Community Day at 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3.**

The library Pokestop will have a lure placed on it, while Pokemon-themed giveaways — while supplies last — are planned. The day will feature Ralts. Call Jonathan at (219) 873-3045 for details.

- **Sphero Bowling at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6.**

Children ages 6-18 can bowl using Spheros and 3-D printed pins. Teams of up to three will compete to see who can bowl the best. Space is limited. Sign up in advance in Youth Services.

- **International Clown Week: Michiana Clowns at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7.**

The show is designed for all ages.

- **Angels Among Us at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7.**

Ange Benz, who leads the discussion, can be contacted at (219) 874-3754

- **Learning Center Volunteers Needed.**

The Learning Center needs volunteer tutors for children and adults. Students need assistance in: reading, math, high school equivalency and English as a Second Language. All supplies and training are provided. All that's required are two hours a week. Contact Jessica Hoffmaster at (219) 873-3043 or stop by the center for more information.

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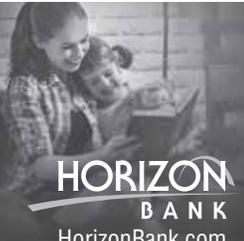
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- **Drop-in Volunteering at West Beach from 2 to 3 p.m. Fridays through Sept. 6.**

Join staff and fellow volunteers in helping care for the site. Wear comfortable clothes; work gloves and equipment will be provided. West Beach parking lot is 376 N. County Line Road, Portage.

- **Mount Baldy Summit Hike from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Fridays through Aug. 30.**

The Mount Baldy parking lot and beach are open from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily after being closed for the last several years. The dune, however, is still closed for general public use, so the ranger-led hike offers the chance to experience the dune as much as is possible. No reservations are required. The parking lot is located off U.S. 12.

Also offered is Mount Baldy Open House from 1 to 4 p.m. Sundays through Sept. 8. Explore the issues and science surrounding the dune.

- **West Beach Symphony Concert from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2.**

Northwest Indiana Symphony, directed by Kirk Muspratt, will present the free concert limited to 425 vehicles. Carpooling is recommended. The stage is in the southwest parking lot, with limited seating near the stage; therefore, visitors should take folding chairs. Several food vendors will be present, or guests can take a picnic dinner. West Beach fee collection ceases at 5 p.m. If the weather is poor, the concert moves to the Chesterton High School Auditorium. West Beach is located at 376 N. County Line Road, Portage.

- **Biking & Birding from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, at The Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education.**

Take bikes, with the park providing binoculars, during the trek that offers basic birding techniques.

- **Pinhook Bog Open House from noon to 3 p.m. Saturdays through Sept. 7.**

Talk a self-guided tour of the bog and talk to rangers along the trail for a better understanding of the site filled with carnivorous plants and orchids. Arrive by 2 p.m. to allow about one hour to walk the trail and tour the bog. The bog parking lot is at 700 N. Wozniak Road in Michigan City.

- **Beach Fun Saturdays from 1 to 8:30 p.m. Saturdays through Aug. 10 at West Beach.**

Try a kayak or paddleboard starting at 1 p.m. All equipment is provided for free. A one-hour sunset hike on the Dune Succession Trail starts at 7 p.m.

from the Ranger Contact Station in the north end of the parking lot. A beach campfire, complete with marshmallow roasting, starts shortly before sunset. Meet at the West Beach parking lot. A \$6 per car parking fee is charged until 7 p.m. Take a picnic dinner and warmer clothing for the evening sunset and beach campfire.

- **Rollerblading with a Ranger from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Saturdays through Aug. 3.**

Meet at Robinson Lake parking lot, S. Liverpool Road, Hobart, to explore the Oak Savannah Trail with a ranger on roller blades.

- **Art in the National Park from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturdays through Nov. 9 at Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk, 100 Riverwalk Road.**

Join an Art Barn artist and learn how to paint the dunes. A canvas and paint are provided for the free class. Registration is required, and the class is limited to 20 adult painters. Be prepared to park in auxiliary sites during the summer due to parking congestion. Call the visitor center at (219) 395-1882 for more information and to register.

- **Gardening for the Monarch from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 4, at the Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education.**

Monarch expert Dolly Foster will discuss: struggling monarch butterfly populations; the best butterfly-attracting plants; and how to plan a garden to provide food, cover and host plants for caterpillars. She also will bring monarchs in different stages of development. Free milkweed or nectar seeds will be given.

- **Bailly/Chellberg History Hike from 1 to 3 p.m. Sundays through Sept. 1.**

Explore the grounds of both historic homes, and learn about early settlers and farmers who came to the region in the 1800s. Park at the Bailly/Chellberg parking lot.

- **Miller Woods Hike from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sundays through Nov. 24 at Paul H. Douglas Center.**

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

- **Feed the Farm Animals at Chellberg Farm from 4:30 to 5 p.m. Sundays.**

The farm includes cows, pigs, goats, chickens and turkeys.

- **Sunset Around the Fire at the Pavilion from 8-9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, at Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk.**

Catch a Lake Michigan sunset from the pavilion, and roast marshmallows from the fireplace.

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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.

Indiana Dunes State Park

The following programs are offered:

- **Snakes Alive! at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 1.**
Meet at the Nature Center to view snakes and learn more about them.
- **Bubble Trash at 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 1.**
Pick up litter, then discover how to make bubbles using items often discarded as trash.
- **Geology Rocks Hike at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 2.**
Learn the story behind the dunes' changing landscape during the moderate hike.
- **Awesome Amphibians at 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2.**
Meet at the Nature Center to explore the differences and similarities between Dunes amphibians during a short hike to the marsh.
- **Wild Edibles Walk from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3.**
Meet at the Nature Center for a walk exploring dune delicacies.
- **Who Done It? at 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3.**
The short hike helps solve mystery clues animals have left behind.
- **Sense-Sational Hike at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4.**
Hands-on activities emphasize the five senses.
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.



The American Red Cross LaPorte County Chapter will sponsor the following bloodmobile:

- St. John's United Church of Christ, 101 St. John Road, noon-6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6.
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Hesston Steam Museum has prepared a special family value pack to mark “American Family Day.”

On Sunday, Aug. 4, only, any family — up to five members — can buy a special three-ride ticket for \$25, and all family members ride on that ticket.

Visitors encounter a replica 1900s-era depot, choosing from different trains that range from miniature to full-sized. Each train heads along a different route through a beautiful wooded landscape, the longest being 2 1/2 miles. The museum also is a showcase for a working steam-powered sawmill with a 60-inch blade, La Porte’s first electric generator and a blacksmith shop where iron is turned into handcrafted works of art.

Also on display is the newly restored and fully operational 1893 popcorn wagon. Designed by Charles Cretors, it is the oldest steam-operated popcorn wagon known to exist.

Hand-scooped ice cream treats and sodas made from traditional recipes are for sale in the restored vintage soda fountain and ice cream parlor, Doc’s Soda Fountain. Breakfast also is served at Doc’s from 9 to 11 a.m.

The museum, located at 1201 E. County Road 1000 North, officially opens at 11:30 a.m. and runs until 5 p.m. Train fares are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 3-12.

Visit www.hesston.org or call (219) 778-2783 (weekends) for more information.

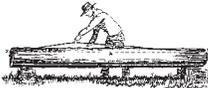
Root Beer Floats @ Barker

Tuesday, Aug. 6, is National Root Beer Float Day, so the staff at Barker Mansion will put their own spin on the celebration from 3 to 5 p.m.

Visitors can learn about the root beer float’s history while having root beers in the Purdue Room. The cost is \$2. Registration is required through Eventbrite or by calling the mansion at (219) 873-1520, Ext. 5.

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Classic Car Show Results

The LaPorte County Historical Society held its 12th Annual Classic Car Show on Saturday, July 20, on the museum grounds, 2405 Indiana Ave.

Awards went to:

- Mayor's Choice, Bob Smith, 1955 Thunderbird.
- Sheriff's Choice, Tim and Linda Towers, 1934 Ford.
- Preservation Choice, Will Dorman, 1953 Chrysler.
- President's Choice, Lars and Jaunda Kneller, 1973 Cadillac.
- Director's Choice, Frank Adamrec, 1951 Ford Pickup.
- Assistant Director's Choice, Bob Magnuson, 1932 DeSoto Roadster.
- Chairman's Choice, Karen Dorman, 1939 Ford Pickup.



LaPorte Mayor Mark Krentz presents the Mayor's Choice Award to Bob Smith for his 1955 Thunderbird.

Participant's Choice Awards went to: Jeff Pitrowsky, 1966 Dodge Coronet; Bob Braden, 1966 Chevelle SS; Kathy Orcutt, 1970 Mercury Cyclone Spoiler; Jerry Orcutt, 1970 Mercury Cyclone Spoiler; and Carl Milonovich, 1981 Chevy Camaro.

The Public Choice Awards went to: Timothy Timm, 1969 Bremen Mini Mark; Steve Kirk, 1929 Ford Model A Pickup; Neal Mulconrey, 1971 VW Karmann Ghia; Steve Tukos, 1956 Mercury Montclair Convertible; and John Campbell, 1970 Pontiac GTO.

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



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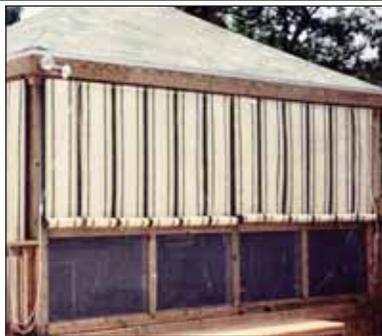
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In Memoriam

Margaret Jean (Currie) Potter, beloved family matriarch, volunteer extraordinaire, amateur painter and world traveler, whose graciousness and quirky interactions invariably left others smiling, died peacefully at 94 on July 20, 2019, in Jupiter, Fla., as her husband of 71 years held her hand and her sons stood by her side.



Margaret was born Nov. 26, 1924, at a logging camp in Ontario, where she spent her early years. After moving to Montreal, she blossomed as a teenager, graduated high school and worked at McGill University, where she met medical student Brian Potter, whom she married in 1948. The couple relocated to the U.S. in 1951, eventually settling in Duneland

Beach in 1960, where Margaret enthusiastically embraced the beach community. Her exuberant nature led her to be at the center of many of the more memorable neighborhood escapades over the years, leaving an indelible impression — and some great stories to share! — before retiring to Florida with Brian in 2009.

In addition to eagerly pursuing hobbies while successfully raising four sons, Margaret poured boundless energy into volunteering. Many will fondly remember her as the “Picasso Lady” who taught for seven years at local elementary schools through the Art Goes to School program. Other organizations that benefited from her efforts include Long Beach PTA, LaPorte County Medical Auxiliary, Cub Scouts, Flying Carpet Travelogue Association, League of Women Voters, Junior Great Books Program, Community Concerts, Meals on Wheels, Beach Garden Club, Dunes Art Foundation Children’s Theater, Friends of the Library, International Ladies’ Club, Memorial Hospital Women’s Auxiliary and, in particular, Save the Dunes, her favorite cause.

Margaret will be very much missed by her husband, Brian; brother, Donald; sons, Michael, Alan, Donald, Geoffrey and their spouses; her many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews; and innumerable friends and relatives, all of whom are grateful to have been part of this special woman’s life.

Acelebration honoring Margaret will be held in the future. Her family would be delighted if you would like to share any photos or reminiscences at www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100011179386754

Donations in lieu of flowers may be made in Margaret’s name to Save The Dunes at savedunes.org

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Westchester Public Library

The following programs are available:

- **NorthShore Health Center free blood-pressure screenings from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 1, at Thomas Library, 200 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton, and 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, Aug. 8, at Hageman Library, 100 Francis St., Porter.**

Interested patrons also can receive help calculating Body Mass Index.

- **History of the Chesterton Art Fair from 2 to 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2, at Westchester Township History Museum, 700 W. Porter Ave., Chesterton.**

Museum Curator Serena Ard sheds lights on the 60-year history of the event.

- **Chesterton Cubing Club from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 4, at Thomas Library.**

Anyone interested in Rubik's Cube is welcome.

- **Knitting Together from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 4, at Westchester Township History Museum.**

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

- **Adult Coloring Program from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, at Hageman Library.**

Registration can be done in person or by phone at (219) 926-7696 for Thomas Library or (219) 926-9080 for Hageman Library.

Art Explosion

Artists are sought for Michigan City Art League's Art Explosion, which is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at Barker Hall at Trinity Church, 600 Franklin St.

During the family-friendly event, attendees can view and purchase work by new and established artists. Short demonstrations are planned, and local students will exhibit their work. Tours of the historic location will be offered, along with food and free 10-minute lessons in a variety of media. Admission is free.

Artists interesting in renting a 10-by-10 booth may obtain an entry form by emailing artexplosionmc@gmail.com. The Facebook page contains more details at Facebook/ArtExplosionMc.

The event is sponsored by Barker Hall, Michigan City Art League and Land of Lakes Art Alliance.

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- **Stories & More from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Fridays.**

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- **Silver Jewelry Making from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3.**

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JROTC Attends Drill Camp

Cadets from Michigan City High School's Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps attended the National Drill Camp, conducted by Sports Network International, on July 7-13 at Texas A&M University.

SNI also conducts the National Marine and All-Service Drill Championship meets.

First Lt. Bohdan Walker, second lieutenants Jessica Wilhelm and Julia Ringstad, and Lance Cpl. Hanna Lucas participated in the camp at no cost to them nor MCHS. The Marine Corps funded the camp to include the round-trip flight.



First Lt. Bohdan Walker and Lance Cpl. Hanna Lucas (last two cadets in the first rank) execute "Dress Right, Dress" during the National Championship meet.

The objective was to provide techniques and strategies that make a champion drill team. Instructors came from schools that have been perennial competitors at national championships.

"It is a great honor to be one of 16 schools out of the 250 nationally to make it, but I have the confidence that our cadets can win the whole thing," Maj. Tom McGrath, senior Marine instructor, said in a press release.

The cadets will remain busy through the summer. In addition to voluntary drill practices, three cadets were to attend a Senior Leadership Camp on July 21-27 in Boswell, Pa. Cadets will assist the Michigan City Area Schools Back-to-School Rally on Aug. 8, and freshmen orientation Aug. 13.

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Fernwood Botanical Garden

The following programs are through Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve, 13988 Range Line Road, Niles, Mich.:

• **Smartphone Photography 101 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. EDT Sunday, Aug. 4.**

Learn tips and tricks for getting the best photos through phones, including composition, lighting, color and space. The cost is \$15, or \$12 for members.

• **Kennedy’s Kitchen from 6:30 to 9 p.m. EDT Friday, Aug. 9.**

The South Bend-based group will feature music from its new CD. Food and beverages will be sold. Advance tickets, which cost \$12, are on sale Aug. 6-9. The day of cost is \$15.

• **Seasonal Flower Arranging Workshop from noon to 2 p.m. EDT Sunday, Aug. 11.**

Learn how to create two organically designed floral arrangements (one low, one high) with designer Beth Barnett. A varied selection of flowers and greenery will be provided, along with necessary supplies. Some containers will be provided, but participant can take their own. Register by Aug. 1. The cost is \$65, or \$52 for members.

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“Travel: Faces and Places”

An opening reception for “Travel: Faces and Places” is from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2, at Southern Shore Art Association, 724 Franklin St.

Running through Sept. 1, the exhibit allowed artists to interpret what they see, whether it be across the street, across town, state, country or continents.

The First Friday reception will include refreshments. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. Friday through Sunday.

Visit www.SouthernShoreArtAssociation.com or the SSAA Facebook page for more details.

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- Submit a complete online application at www.uflc.net by 11:59 p.m. Sept. 6, 2019.

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The Eyes on the Pies/Summer Open House is Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 3-4, at Independent Cat Society, 4061 S. County Line Road, Westville.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday. The event raises funds to cover medical care for shelter cats and kittens.

Baked goods are planned, along with information on adopting kittens. Donations of canned cat food (Friskies/Fancy Feast), dry food, cat treats, paper plates, paper towels and laundry detergent are welcome. Call (219) 785-4936 or visit www.catsociety.org for details.

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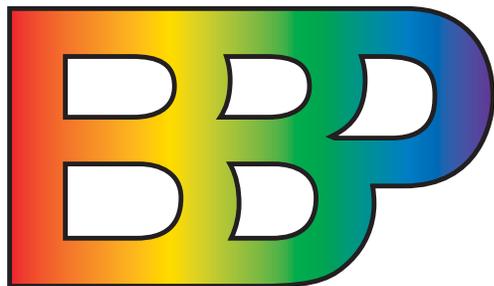
Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

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Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the 'Sea, help me and show me, herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in

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

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Activities to Explore

In the Area:

Aug. 1-4 — Great Lakes Grand Prix weekend, Washington Park/Uptown Arts District. Schedule: www.greatlakesgrandprix.com/schedule/

Aug. 2 — First Friday in the Chapel, organist William “Bill” Burger, LaPorte Hospital Chapel, 1007 Lincolnway. Free. Info: (219) 325-7633.

Aug. 2 — History of the Chesterton Art Fair, 2-3 p.m., Westchester Township History Museum, 700 W. Porter Ave., Chesterton.

Aug. 2 — First Friday Art Walk, 5-8 p.m., Uptown Arts District (downtown Michigan City).

Aug. 2 — Opening reception, “Travel: Faces and Places,” 5-8 p.m., Southern Shore Art Association, 724 Franklin St. Info: www.SouthernShoreArtAssociation.com

Aug. 2 — Terri Dulkan’s “Layers of Beauty,” 5-8 p.m., The Rising Phoenix Gallery, 2803 Franklin St. Info: (480) 206-0964.

Aug. 2-3 — Taste of Michigan City, Uptown Arts District (downtown Michigan City). Times: 4-11 p.m. Aug. 2/noon-10 p.m. Aug. 3. Info: Taste of Michigan City 2019 on facebook.

Aug. 2-7 — Vickers Theatre, 6 N. Elm St., Three Oaks, Mich. *Now showing:* “Wild Rose.” Rated R. Times: 6 p.m. Fri.-Mon., 7 p.m. Wed. *Also:* “Pavarotti.” Rated PG-13. Times: 9 p.m. Fri.-Sat., 3 p.m. Sat.-Sun. *Also:* “Do You Trust This Computer?” Not Rated. Time: 7 p.m. Aug. 6. Free. Includes group discussion co-sponsored with Harbor Country Progress. All times Eastern. Info: vickerstheatre.com, (269) 756-3522.

Aug. 3 — Rock painting class, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Luhr County Park, 3178 S. County Road 150 West, LaPorte. Cost: \$5/person. Info: (219) 325-8315.

Aug. 3 — Four A’s Car Club free car show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Washington Park. Info: (219) 363-5736.

Aug. 3-4 — Eyes on the Pies/Summer Open House, Independent Cat Society, 4061 S. County Line Road, Westville. Times: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 3/1-4 p.m. Aug. 4. Info: www.catsociety.org, (219) 785-4936

Aug. 3 — Wild Edibles Walk, 10-11 a.m., Indiana Dunes State Park, 1600 N. County Road 25 East, Chesterton. Info: (219) 926-1390.

Aug. 3 — Silver Jewelry Making, 10-11:30 a.m., LaPorte County Public Library, 904 Indiana Ave. Registration: laportelibrary.org

Aug. 3 — Music in the Park, Anne Harris & Dave Herrero, 6:30 p.m. EDT, Dewey Cannon Park, Three Oaks, Mich. Free, donations accepted. Info: www.harborarts.com

Aug. 3 — The Chicago Experience, 8 p.m. EDT, The Acorn, 107 Generation Drive, Three Oaks, Mich. Cost: \$30. Tickets: acornlive.org

Aug. 3-4 — Chesterton Art Fair, Chesterton’s

Dogwood Park, County Road 1100 North/23rd Street. Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat./10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sun. Admission: \$5/day, \$7/weekend. Children 12 & younger/free. Info: www.chestertonart.com

Aug. 4 — Share Foundation's 25th annual Leprechaun Hunt, noon-6 p.m., County Road 300 East, two miles north of U.S. 20, Rolling Prairie. Cost: \$55, \$50/seniors, free/children 13 & younger accompanied by a parent/grandparent. Info: (219) 778-2585, www.leprechaunhunt.org

Aug. 4 — "American Family Day," Hesston Steam Museum, 1201 E. County Road 1000 North. Three-ride ticket/\$25/all family members. Hours: 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Info: www.hesston.org, (219) 778-2783.

Aug. 6 — Sphero Bowling, 2 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

Aug. 6 — National Root Beer Float Day, 3-5 p.m., Barker Mansion, 631 Washington St. Cost: \$2. Reservations:

Aug. 7 — International Clown Week: Michiana Clowns, 10 a.m. & 2 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

Aug. 7 — Roosevelt Pipe Organ Series, George Karst, 12:15 p.m., Christ Church (former First Congregationalist Church), 531 Washington St. Free, donations accepted. Info: (219) 608-5358.

Aug. 7-8 — Arts in the Park, 7 p.m., Dennis Smith Amphitheater @ Fox Park, LaPorte. Schedule: Aug. 7/LaPorte City Band; Aug. 8/Cripple Creek Stone Lake Beach Party. Pre-concert: 350 West.

Thursdays through Aug. 8 — Michigan City Municipal Band, 7:30 p.m., Washington Park Guy Foreman Amphitheater.

Through Oct. 5 — Art exhibit, former LaPorte resident Roland Lee Hockett, LaPorte County Historical Society Museum, 2504 Indiana Ave.

Saturdays through October — Michigan City Mainstreet Association Farmers Market, 8 a.m.-noon, Eighth & Washington streets.

Saturdays through Oct. 26 — LaPorte Farmers Market, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Lincolnway parking lot next to Mucho Mas.

Sundays through Sept. 8 — Mount Baldy Open House, 1-4 p.m., parking lot off U.S. 12. Info: (219) 395-1882.

In the Region

Aug. 1 — Fun Dumpster Improv Comedy Troupe, 7 p.m. EDT, The Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph, Mich. Tickets: \$10/advance, \$13/door. Tickets: (269) 983-3688.

Aug. 2 — West Beach Symphony Concert, 7:30-10 p.m., southwest parking lot @ West Beach, 376 N. County Line Road, Portage. Free. Info: (219) 395-1882.

Aug. 3 — Ben Rosenblum Trio, 7 p.m. EDT, The Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph, Mich. Tickets: \$12/advance, \$15/door. Info: (269) 983-3688, boxfactoryforthearts.org/

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On August 1, 1774, British scientist Joseph Priestly became the first person to succeed in separating oxygen from air.

On August 1, 1790, the first U.S. census (taken to determine state representation in Congress) was completed. It showed a population of almost 4 million people in 13 states.

On August 1, 1907, the Aeronautical Division, forerunner of the U.S. Army Air Corps, was established by the Army.

On August 1, 1977, Francis Gary Powers was killed when his helicopter crashed in Los Angeles. Powers gained fame in 1960 as the U-2 pilot shot down over the Soviet Union.

On August 1, 1981, the rock music video channel MTV made its debut.

On August 2, 1858, New York and Boston received the nation's first street letterboxes for mail collection.

On August 2, 1876, in the village of Deadwood, located in the Dakota Territory, "Wild Bill" Hickok was fatally shot from behind while playing poker in a saloon. His poker hand consisted of two aces and two eights, a combination that became known as the "dead man's hand."

On August 2, 1909, the first Lincoln penny was issued by the U.S. Mint.

On August 2, 1923, United States Steel Corporation replaced the 12-hour working day with one of eight hours.

On August 2, 1983, Congress voted to honor Martin Luther King, Jr. by designating the third Monday in January as a national holiday.

On August 3, 1492, three ships, the Nina, Pinta, and the Santa Maria, under the command of Christopher Columbus, set sail from Palos, Spain on a voyage that would end with the discovery of the New World.

On August 3, 1926, singer Tony Bennett was born in New York.

On August 3, 1949, the National Basketball Association was formed.

On August 3, 1958, the Nautilus, a nuclear powered submarine, became the first vessel to round the North Pole under water.

On August 3, 2004, the Statue of Liberty pedestal in New York reopened to the public for the first time since the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

On August 4, 1735, freedom of the press won a victory in the American colonies when a jury acquitted John Zenger, of *The New York Weekly Journal*, on libel charges brought by the Royal Governor of New York.

On August 4, 1944, during World War II, German troops raided the “concealed annex” of a home in Amsterdam, and arrested its occupants, including 14-year-old Anne Frank. Her writings, *The Diary of Anne Frank*, became famous after her death in a German concentration camp.

On August 5, 1833, Chicago, with a population of 200, was incorporated as a village.

On August 5, 1861, the U.S. government levied the first tax on earned income. Income in excess of \$800 was taxed at the rate of three percent.

On August 5, 1864, during the Civil War, Admiral David Farragut is said to have given his famous order, “Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead!” The remark was made as he successfully led his Union fleet against Confederates forces defending Alabama’s Mobile Bay.

On August 5, 1884, on Bedloe Island, visible to all ships that entered New York Harbor, the cornerstone was laid for the Statue of Liberty.

On August 5, 1957, “American Bandstand,” hosted by Dick Clark, made its network television debut on ABC.

On August 6, 1911, actress and comedian Lucille Ball was born near Jamestown, N.Y.

On August 6, 1926, New York’s Gertrude Ederle became the first American woman to swim the English Channel. She accomplished the feat in 14-1/2 hours.

On August 6, 1945, the Enola Gay, an American B29 bomber, dropped an atomic bomb on the Japanese city of Hiroshima. An estimated 80,000 people were killed outright.

On August 6, 1986, William Schroeder, the longest living patient with an artificial heart, died in a Louisville hospital.

On August 7, 1782, George Washington created the Order of the Purple Heart, a decoration to recognize exceptional merit in the actions of enlisted men and non-commissioned officers.

On August 7, 1794, the western Pennsylvania “Whiskey Rebellion,” a protest against the tax on whiskey, resulted in President George Washington calling out the army.

On August 7, 1882, the famous feud between the Hatfields, of West Virginia, and the McCoys, of Eastern Kentucky, broke out. Hundreds would be killed or wounded before the struggle finally ended.

On August 7, 1974, French stuntman Philippe Petit waked a tightrope strung between the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City.

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Off the Book Shelf

by Sally Carpenter

Shamed by Linda Castillo (hardcover, \$26.99 retail in bookstores and online; also available as an eBook. 294 pages.)

“A missing endangered child is the kind of scenario in which a cop needs to be in a dozen places at once. Searching...Talking...Extracting evidence at the crime scene...Every minute that passes is another minute lost...that torturous clock never stops ticking closer to a potentially devastating outcome.”

This story takes us to Painters Mill, Ohio, a small community that is about 1/3 Amish. The chief of police is Kate Burkholder, a former Amish who left the fold as a teen. Being able to speak the Pennsylvania Dutch, and knowing the Amish customs, give her an edge when dealing with their insular community.

This is the 11th in a series that keeps getting better with each offering. The reasons are simple: Kate is no comic-book super woman. She is a strong, believable character, and the plots are always relative, giving a realistic look at life in an Amish community — not a Hollywood version, but a sensitive look at their customs and lifestyles. How they try to work within the rules and laws of the “*Englischers*” while keeping within their own teachings and faith. It’s an interesting look, and a sympathetic one, even though how they keeping secrets from the police is hard to understand, especially when it involves the life of a child...

The Schattenbaum place has been empty for years. Neighbor Mary Yoder takes two of her granddaughters, Elsie, 7, and Annie, 5, to pick walnuts from the yard’s numerous trees. Movement from inside the house takes Mary by surprise. She goes in and is jumped by a man who stabs and kills her, but not before Mary calls to the girls to run “*from the devil...*”

After Annie comes running home alone, the awful truth is discovered. Mary is dead and Elsie is missing, taken by the strange man little Annie is too traumatized to describe, except to say he was “*Plain,*” meaning he is Amish.

Each chapter starts with the number of hours the child has been missing. It’s an effective, chilling reminder that the longer time elapses, the less likely the kidnapper will be found and the child will be alive.

The county sheriff’s department and Ohio State Police are involved, but it is Kate’s instinctive knowledge of the Amish that sends her off in a different direction.

Mary Yoder was not just killed. She was hacked to death, indicating a very personal and angry attack. Was someone stalking her and the girls? And what could an old woman have done to provoke such brutality?

The first thing law enforcement does is check the surrounding area for known sex offenders. The first thing the Amish do is circle the wagons, clam up and try to find Elsie on their own. After talking to Ivan and Miriam Helmuth, Elsie’s parents, Kate is sure they are keeping information from her. But what could make parents hold back with something that could lead to their daughter and her kidnapper? That’s the \$64 question. Also, they admit Elsie is a special-needs child. That fact, alone, drops a rock in the pit of Kate’s stomach — how scared and disoriented the child must be.

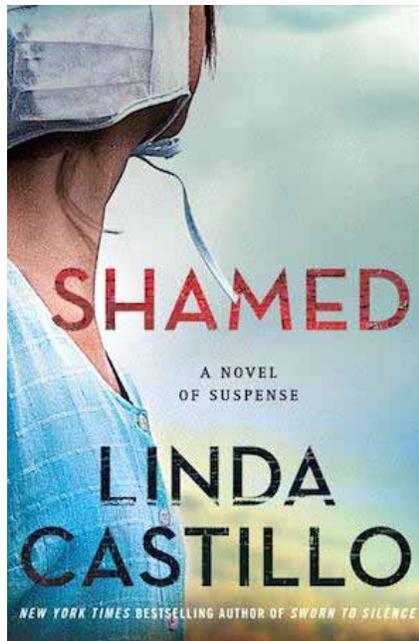
The Helmuths have six other children beside Elsie. Looking over the birth certificate records online, Kate discovers a strange fact: Elsie was born in March 2012, brother Elam in November 2011, and sister Becky in December 2012. It doesn’t take a math genius to see there’s no way Miriam Helmuth gave birth three times in 13 months. So what are they keeping back? Finally, the Helmuths admit Elsie was given to them by their bishop right after she was born. They don’t who the real parents are or where she came from. Now, Kate has at least a direction to follow, even though, surprisingly, it leads to another Amish community to the south of Painters Mill.

As I read each chapter heading, my blood pressure rose along with the number of hours since Elsie was taken, imagining the worst scenario, my head filled with the ticking of a clock.

Two more murders, and the near murder of a bishop, not to mention Kate’s confrontation with a desperate man, will take time to pull the threads of this crazy quilt together to a conclusion...successful conclusion you ask? That remains to be seen.

Castillo is a *New York Times* bestselling author. Her novel, *Sworn to Silence*, was adapted into a Lifetime movie, “An Amish Murder.” She lives in Texas; her website is www.lindacastillo.com

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