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Buchanan Community Schools – Band Spotlight



Daniel Furst with his baritone/euphonium, Photo by Thomas Hoyt

Marching Band Spotlight – Daniel Furst

by Thomas & Julie Hoyt

In this and coming issues of The Buchanan Chronicle, there will be articles spotlighting some of the Buchanan High School Band students.

As my daughter Julie states, this article is about Daniel Furst who plays the baritone/euphonium with the Buchanan High School Band. Not only is this about marching band, it's also about concert band and other cool stuff! I had the pleasure to interview Daniel and learned that what he finds most exciting about being with the band is the overall performance level is improving. Daniel is an extraordinary individual in that he suffers from Asperger's Syndrome. Despite this, he does very well with the band. Daniel enjoys the concert band performances over the marching band; however, he did say that playing "Iron Man" by Black Sabbath with the marching band this year is exciting.

While Daniel was with the Middle School Band during his 8th grade year, he did participate with the MSBOA Solo and Ensemble events in both the winter and spring. Daniel received a I and a II. At first Daniel was a bit nervous about playing a solo in front of a judge, but after doing it the first time for the fun of it he learned it's not so bad.

Other than performing with the high school band, Daniel has participated at the [Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp](#) for the past two years. This has given Daniel time to make new friends and improve his skill on the baritone/euphonium.

Currently Daniel is a sophomore in high school, so he has more time to perform with the high school band which I'm sure he looks forward to in the coming years.

Stay tuned for future articles on our band students.

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Health Huddle – Spotlight



CMT Awareness Month Kicked Off September 1 – Devastating Disease Affects 1 in 2,500

by Rebecka Hoyt, Editor & Photographer

One in 2,500 people—3 million people worldwide—have the degenerative neuromuscular disease Charcot-Marie-Tooth (CMT) and many of them don't even know it. That means that in our town alone, 1.68 people have the disease. And that's why the Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association is kicking off CMT Awareness Month September 1: to make the public aware of the symptoms of CMT so that those with the condition can be identified for early

treatment.

Charcot-Marie-Tooth (CMT) is a progressive disorder of the peripheral nerves that causes people to lose the normal use of their feet and legs. Symptoms include: foot deformity (very high arched feet) and foot drop (inability to hold foot horizontal); a slapping gait (feet slap on the floor when walking because of foot drop); loss of muscle in the lower legs, leading to skinny calves; numbness in the feet; and difficulty with balance. Hands and arms may also be affected.

The Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association (CMTA) is a patient-led nonprofit whose mission is to cure this incurable disease. It does so with an aggressive, multipronged attack on the disease, bringing together a group of top-flight researchers and experts and directly funding their work. The CMTA launched the Strategy to Accelerate Research, or CMTA-STAR, in 2008 to capitalize on breakthroughs in genetics and dramatically speed up the pace of CMT research. Since then, the CMTA-STAR Initiative has made great strides toward developing treatments for CMT.

Throughout the month of September CMT patients will be walking, biking and swimming in support of STAR. The CMTA will share videos of patients in the news and interviews with five of our research partners. Participants are also urged to share their stories live on Facebook and to buy a \$5 STAR for their CMT STAR.

Our daughter, Julie who just turned 12, was diagnosed with CMT1X when she was in 2nd grade. There are many forms of CMT, however, a genetics test and an EEG will help you to know which one you have. On both sides of our family CMT is present, just not in every generation as it can skip generations. In her early childhood years, she would have falls that were caused by her balance, has high foot arches, and minimal trembling in her hands when she writes. Orthotics in her tennis shoes have helped her balance tremendously and her falls have decreased. A year ago, she started to wear night splints that were custom-made to her feet and calves to help with foot drop in hopes to avoid future surgery on her tendons. She says that her night splints, "Are really annoying!"



Julie's night splints, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

She sees a pediatric neurologist once a year at Helen DeVos Children's Hospital and is evaluated by a physical therapist. Orthotics specialists are also involved to evaluate the use of her night splints to see if any necessary changes are needed.



Julie with her pediatric neurologist Dr. DeRoos, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

Julie tries to stay active so that she can keep her muscles moving and stay strong. She likes to play golf, floor hockey, swim, and do stretches.

SYMPTOMS



Symptoms Poster of CMT from Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association: The Time is Now Facebook page

For more information, visit www.cmtausa.org or to know about the type that Julie has (CMT1X), [click here](#).

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Buchanan History – A Vacation to Remember



Larry on Clear Lake, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

A Vacation to Remember

by Rebecka Hoyt, Editor & Photographer

How would you feel if someone told you that where you would be spending your vacation was in a home that you used to live in many, many years ago?

Well, for an 80-year-old Florida resident, Larry Rosenquist, this happened to him!

His daughter, Janet Lopez asked him if he would like to go to Buchanan, MI (out on Clear Lake) to celebrate Father's Day and his 80th birthday. And he said sure! When she found a vacation rental on Airbnb, she showed him the picture of it and he said, "That's the house we stayed in while we were there!" Janet had no idea this was the house until she showed him the photos! Now how lucky can you get?!



Welcome to Clear Lake, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

Throughout the emails I received from Janet, I fell in love with this article suggestion. I recently met this very nice family out at Clear Lake for an even greater time getting to know them and what the house was like before and after renovations were made to it. Janet and Larry weren't the only ones at the house. Those who tagged along stayed at another property closer to Fuller's Camp Resort. Their family of 7 attending included: 2 grown children and 2 grandchildren, Larry and his wife Marilyn, and then Larry's cousin Judy (Gruber) Schraeder and her husband showed up while we talked. This was the first time for Larry's children and grandchildren to come to Michigan. They brought along memories that were in old photo books and a cabin log book that consisted of families who stayed at the Clear Lake house over the many years until the house was sold in 1967.



Guest Log Book, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

Larry's grandfather, Lawrence Rosenquist built the house in 1934 and retired in 1943/44 from the rockway railroad and his grandparents came up here for the summers. A house that is no longer here on the corner burned down in the 1950's belonged to Larry's mother's uncle and she lived in Fort Wayne, IN and she would come up occasionally with her sister and that is how his parents met; his Dad from Chicago and they turned it into a family home. Lots of family roots have been laid here. The house didn't have hot water. They had a pot belly stove for heat. No TV. Bathing was down at the lake and they also had a pump by the kitchen sink for their water. The house has been renovated. It is modern on the inside and cozy with nautical decor on the enclosed porch where a big dinner table is meant for meals and puzzles/games. Of course, Janet told the owner of the house that this house used to be where Larry came for many summers as a kid. She welcomed them with snacks, wine, gifts and a special welcome

The photograph shows an open vintage photo album resting on a striped fabric surface. The left page features three black and white photographs arranged vertically. The top photo depicts a small building or shed outdoors. The middle photo shows a group of people sitting on a lawn under trees. The bottom photo shows a person sitting on a bench or chair near some foliage. The right page of the album is filled with handwritten notes in cursive script, which appear to be dates and names corresponding to the photos. A hand is visible at the top right, holding the edge of the album's cover. The overall scene suggests a personal collection of memories from the mid-20th century.

Original Photo Book, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt



Original Photo Book, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

A memory of Larry's was when he was around 10-11 years old that his parents told him that you could not swim across the lake, that was a rule. Well, in the years leading up through the generations, Larry said "It was a Rosenquist tradition and my father was a teenager in the 1930's that if you swam across the lake that would mean you became a man. So, as curious as I was at that age, I wanted to do that as I had swam many times in the lake. So, I got two guys, Bobby and Jimmy, and told them that they were going with me in a row boat and one of you row and the other one watch me, and I swam AROUND the whole outer edge of the lake. My cousin Judy ended up telling my parents what I did, but I said that I swam around the lake, not across the lake. You didn't say that I couldn't swim around the lake!" And his grandfather said, he didn't break the rule! 10-15 kids would be up on the lake with their Mother and then the Fathers would come up on Friday for the weekend.



Cousins Larry and Judy on Clear Lake, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

Clear Lake brought a lot of memories for when he would come over from Chicago with his parents from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Lots of fishing adventures as they would catch 6-10 inch Blue Gills. Part of the lake had a great amount of lily pads where they would go out and catch bullfrogs. And then they would fix up the frog legs. "You killed frogs and ate them," said Larry. Swimming was the favorite activity as your swimsuit became your clothing for the day as much in and out of the lake was happening. You also had to be careful on how loud you talked with others as you could hear others' conversations across the lake! Then down at the pavilion there was music and dancing in the evening and a payphone that you could use to call someone.

One of the first things Larry would do when they arrived each summer was to plant a vegetable garden, and then they had a farmstand on the side of the road for others to purchase the produce. His family had the tradition of

planting pine trees (aka Christmas trees) for each kid after they were born. Three pine trees are still standing today.



House Then and Now, Photos provided by
Larry Rosenquist



Christmas tree, Photos provided by Larry Rosenquist



Christmas tree, Photos provided by Larry Rosenquist



Christmas tree, Photos provided by Larry Rosenquist

Before I met Larry and his family, I was able to meet with Sandra Lake and Rene Klitsch, who have lived on Clear Lake for quite some time. They told me about a guy named Cliff Rosenquist and they wondered if he was related to him. Larry is older than Rene, so she didn't remember him much, but she was able to tell some history of the lake as she came out here when she was young too. Larry had heard of Cliff's name and he did his research on the Clear Lake property owners through Berrien County and that's how he found Cliff. Well, there is no relation that he knows of.

Larry's emotions were conditioned after seeing the house on the website. The house has only been added onto with a porch on the south and east side facing Clear Lake. The kitchen is rearranged because it was where you entered the house. When they arrived here, he had amazement and joy that somebody did something with this

place. The gal who owns it bought it two years ago and a lot of work had been done already. It has a clay wall basement, with a staircase going down from the kitchen, but it's gone now. His son found a crawl space and he could see an entry door under the house, he wanted to know if it was still clay or cinder block, and he told Larry you won't be able to crawl under there. He was thinking about convincing his grandson Blake to crawl under there with a flashlight! Three bedrooms, one bath, one entertainment room and the kitchen made the house. The house was sold in 1967 and offered to the family, but they declined because of finances.

He googled, and zillowed the property in the past and knew it was here, but it's been quite some time since he's been here. Some inspiring words from Larry, "It wasn't on the bucket list, but I wondered why I didn't put it on the bucket list." So, if you enjoy a place when you're young, put it on your bucket list for the future.



Judy and Larry with Rebecka, Photo by Janet Lopez

Local Business – Bucktown Nutrition



Inside Bucktown Nutrition's new location, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

Same Great Taste, New Location

by Rebecka Hoyt, Editor & Photographer

You can still get all your regular orders of smoothies, tea bombs, and aloe shots at Bucktown Nutrition; it's just relocated to 105 Days Ave in downtown Buchanan MI, next door to Milano's Pizza. When I asked Leland Payne,

owner of Bucktown Nutrition, why the move over there, he cited parking as the main issue, "On Days Ave you have more on-street parking and the parking lot that is next to the Michigan Gateway Foundation."



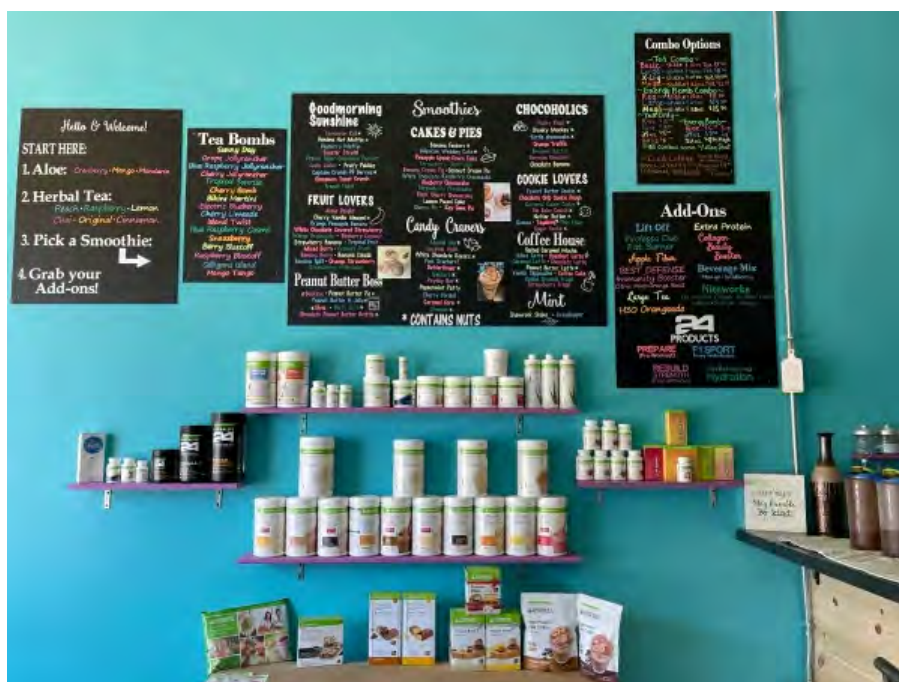
The Bucktown Nutrition Scarecrow, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

Inside the smoothie shop's new location, you will find the original sign (from when it was Sandy's Floral Boutique) mounted on the south wall, with some black and white framed photos of businesses previously housed in the same shop also. Past uses range from: a meat market, the Original Carbon Malted Pancake & Waffle Flour headquarters, to hair cutting by Kelly Moore. You may have seen these photos on their [Bucktown Nutrition Facebook Page](#). Leland has also stated "If anyone has signs from the old days, I'd be happy to display them." So, this building (like so many in our downtown) has history and loves to show it off.



Inside display of historic photos, Photo by Rebecca Hoyt

Being in an older building that has been home to quite a few businesses, you can come upon some challenges. Leland said that “The most challenging thing was stripping the peg board and lattice off the wall.” He started working on it in March of this year and finished at the end of August. There is some painting left to do, but he says that’s easy to do. You will notice that the color scheme inside is the same as in their previous location on W. Front Street. However, the wood underneath the bar and his cabinets are more of a lighter oak to make it look more natural looking.



Menu Boards at Bucktown Nutrition, Photo by Rebecca Hoyt

Help is needed at Bucktown Nutrition for the hours of 2:00pm – 7:00pm during the week and from 8:00am – 3:00pm on the weekends. Their business hours are currently Monday – Friday 4:30am – 5:00pm, Saturday and Sunday 8am – 3pm. I have heard that teenagers along with my daughter and other older adults really like the Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough smoothie and then the Raspberry Blastoff Tea Bomb is a favorite as well. You can head on over to their [website for more information on their Herbalife products](#) that are used in their smoothies and teas, and you can purchase those for making your own smoothies and teas at home and save some money. So head on over and get a sweet smoothie, tea or both either dine-in or take-out while walking around downtown by the McCoy Creek and enjoying the scarecrows!



Tea Bombs and Smoothies, Photos by Rebecka Hoyt

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- Monday – Friday : 4:30a-5p
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Remembering September 11th

by Mayor Sean Denison

There are times when I struggle to remember what I had for dinner the night before. So, if you were to tell me that I would remember what the weather was like on a particular day 20 years ago I would say that you were crazy.

But I do. I remember.

There were many lessons to be learned on Sept 11, 2001. I would like to share two lessons I learned that day that stick out in my mind.

First, I learned just how quickly and permanently our lives can be changed. I learned the importance of not sweating the small stuff, and that we should cherish every second that we have with our friends and family.

The second thing I learned on that September day 20 years ago, was that even in the midst of complete chaos and unspeakable tragedy – there is still good. I saw first responders and clergy and average citizens carrying the

injured. I saw complete strangers offering water to one another and washing the dust and debris from their eyes. I saw an entire country set aside their differences and stand united.

Given today's political environment, I think it would be of service to all of us to take time to reflect. To remember those that lost their lives; those that gave their lives – and to remember that tomorrow is promised to no one and that what we have in common matters more.

Thank you, see you around town,
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Mayor Sean Denison, Spring 2021, Photo submitted by Sean Denison

Nature Notes – Autumn 2021

Nature Notes

Autumn Is Upon Us

by Jill K. McDonald



Autumn Leaves, stock photo

As September rolls along, so too shall autumn soon arrive. On Wednesday, September 22 at 3:20pm EDT (7:20 UTC) the season of autumn 2021 will officially begin in the northern hemisphere. It is on the equinoxes, both that of spring and fall, when the sun crosses the equator and day and night are approximately equal length everywhere on earth.

My two most noteworthy recent seasonal observations have been just outside my windows. They are as follows:

During the daytime, I anxiously await seeing hummingbirds out my kitchen window. The first week of September was typical at my feeder with a few males and females taking turns. However, by the second week I realized I wasn't seeing any males. This pattern has continued. So I've succumbed to the realization that it is indeed that time of year when the male hummingbirds have likely begun their migration to Central America. Just like in the spring, the males migrate ahead of the females to set up their territory.

In the evening, after dark, I've begun to notice the katydid calls have been diminishing on cooler nights. I'm definitely most grateful for their beautiful tunes on recent humid nights. Although their calls will slowly fizzle out as the weather cools, we'll be able to enjoy them for at least a bit longer.

So perhaps step outside in the early night or crack open your window, even just a little bit, and enjoy the songs of crickets and katydids. Let the evening insects lull you to sleep.

Help the hummingbirds as they prepare for their long migration. Ideally, keep fresh sugar water in your feeders Tax Day to Halloween (1 part sugar to 4 parts water). Not only will this help your current hummers, but

ones further north too, as they journey through our area heading south.

As the Greek philosopher Heraclitus once said, "The only constant is change." That statement seems ever so true when it comes to changes among the seasons, especially here in the Midwest. May you enjoy all the simple delights of the season!

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Community Press Release – Buchanan-Galien Lions Club Annual Steak Fry



Event photos submitted by Mark Tumbleson and Alice Krings

Buchanan-Galien Lions Club Held Annual Member Guest Steak Fry at Lion Tom Gordon's Thursday Sept. 9

Press Release & Photos Submitted by Mark Tumbleson and Alice Krings

Good fellowship, steak, sweet corn, and the fixings were enjoyed by all at the beautiful St. Joe River front setting.

Lion President Lewis Lambert welcomed the Lions, guests and future members and filled them in on planned upcoming Lions events.

Lion Rudy Kappe was presented a Melvin Jones Award for his 30+ years of service and leadership to the Lions Club.



Event photos submitted by Mark Tumbleson and Alice Kring

Lions Past President Mark Skene and Alice Kring presented the award with the following words:

"This award is going to a very deserving Lions Club member, who has contributed with his passion for service to the Buchanan-Galien Lions club, for over 30 years. This Lion served on the Lions Club board for over 20 years and was the first President to serve a two-year consecutive term. He has also served on numerous committees. He was instrumental in setting up the Lions scholarship fund, including rolling over his personal scholarship fund into the Lions account so that we are able to give at least two \$1000 grants per year. He also helped set up the scoring system for this scholarship fund. He led the eyeglass challenge, collecting and warehousing donated eyeglasses, for many years. Lion Rudy was the chairperson for the Nut & Candy Fundraiser for over 15 years. He brought the game of soccer to Buchanan and was a key leader in the Optimist Soccer League. He is a master at presenting a truly

heartfelt Lions Mission of serving others to an untold number of future community leaders and Lions at Lions Senior Athletes night."



Event photos submitted by Mark Tumbleson and Alice Kring

A side note from Lion Mark Tumbleson, who could not be there for the presentation: "Lion Rudy will truly be a friend forever. I love to read or listen to his many unique life experiences. We have lined many a soccer field together, watched many kids enjoy a good game of soccer and I am a better person because of his wisdom and fellowship."

Lion Skene then added "From me and all Lions who have ever served beside him, I want to say DITTO to the fact that we will all be better people because of his wisdom, fellowship and leadership. What a great honor it has been to serve alongside Lion Rudy Kappe."



Event photos submitted by Mark Tumbleson and Alice Kring

Buchanan-Galien Lions Club- Serving our communities for 88+ years- and still going strong!



About Buchanan-Galien Lions Club: Buchanan-Galien Lion's Club has been serving the community for more than 75 years. We meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at the Buchanan American Legion Hall – to learn more about becoming a Lion, contact us. Buchanan-Galien Lion's Club is a part of Lion's Club International, the world's largest service club organization with 1.4 million members in 46,000 clubs in 192 countries and geographical areas. Lions are men and women who volunteer their time to humanitarian causes. Lions extend their commitment beyond sight conservation through countless local efforts that include youth outreach programs, improving the environment, building homes for the disabled, and, through their foundation, provide disaster relief around the world.

Contact: Jerry Flenar, jlflenar@gmail.com, 269-695-3000

[Buchanan-Galien Lions Club Facebook Here.](#)

Past Event – 20th Anniversary of 9/11



Flag held aloft in Remembrance, September 11 2021, Photo by Rebecka Hoyt

2021 Marks 20th Anniversary of 9/11

by Rebecka Hoyt, Editor & Photographer

7:00pm Saturday, September 11, 2021 at the Common in downtown Buchanan was the 20th anniversary of 9/11 for the Patriot Day service. This was put on by BAMA (Buchanan Area Ministerial Association), American Legion Post 51 and the Buchanan City Police and Fire Chaplains. Speakers consisted of: Mayor Sean Denison, Sgt. Harvey Burnett, the American Legion Post 51 posting the colors, American Heritage Girls and the Boy Scouts

leading the Pledge of Allegiance; Pastor David Mitchell, Ellen Berline – pastor of First United Methodist Church for a prayer on ending violence and war, bodies that need healing of scars from that day.

The M-Vet riders were there for support. Mary Judanich, a speaker from Senator Debbie Stabenow's office read her letter to the crowd and said "To put politics aside." Chairman of the Board of Commission, Mac Elliott gave a timeline of the 9/11 affected flights. He also said, "Freedom is not free by the thirteen murdered in Afghanistan – we need God in this country, aspire to become stronger and never forget." Chuck Height, Berrien County Undersheriff talked about former President Bush giving remarks at Shanksville, PA. Chuck also read a poem called "The Towers."

Phyllis Davis, a representative of the Blue Star Mothers Chapter 193 recognized the first responders, clergy service men and women and others who served those on that day and afterwards. Also she stated how they send care packages and reminded us to say "Thank you when you see one of these people." Sgt. Harvey Burnett stated about "Reflecting on the day of those events, but also joining together all Americans regardless of ethnicity, religious beliefs, political status, etc... to comfort each other, to care for each other, defend each other and love one another."

The Buchanan Bands played the armed service songs. Pastor David Mitchell stated that "We are more than people thrown together by having the joy of strength and unity. And he wanted to thank the Lord for being able to do this Patriot Day service for the last 20 years."

"Salute those victims of 9/11," said Larry Money with the American Legion, with a 21 gun salute. Buchanan High School Senior Band Member, Garrett Brackett played Taps.



Guest Writer – Poem



Guest Writer

by Van Young

Sonny Riley

(1944)

With my two bits allowance in hand, I hurried into Rileys
And invested in a Donald Duck comic book and Batman.
Laying two dimes on the glass checkout counter, I turned
To walk over and climb up on the stool to order a cone.

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My skin was almost coal-black and my hair, tight-curly hair.
Back in Missouri, I was called "cute" as the women made a fuss.
But in Buchanan this day, I heard someone refer me to as a n***.
And with no cone, I walked out wondering what a n*** was!

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(1950)

Seven years later, lighter and taller, I entered Riley's looking for a job.
Less time in the sun took care of the big problem back in '43 so I got the job!
The clerk who referred to me as a n*** was still there but he said nothing.
Sonny, my boss, was unaware of my first visit situation and I remained quiet.

*

Being a paperboy was a pain, so I found Sonny's antics made the new job fun.
He forgave me when I forgot to report the first day, a day made for bicycling!
The two young ladies and I, riding in the hills, heard Sonny driving behind us.
He motioned for us to stop and said, "Put the bike in the trunk and climb in. It's job-time!!"

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Most folks who knew him could trust him to do the right thing at the right time!
The winter of '51 snowed the Youngs in a few miles west of town and the car wouldn't start!
Dad walked the three miles to town to his job but told Sonny who picked us up for school.
I've had many bosses in my long life but none of them come close to our friend Sonny!

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I discovered soon that Sonny didn't have that prejudice for folks like most folks did.
He made a "fries and burger man" out of me in no time but getting there was a problem.
I lost a few pounds when I left study hall and ran eight sweaty blocks to beat the customers.

I can still hear the pinball machines in the next room where most of the guys hung out.

The Buchanan Chronicle wishes to provide a venue for guest writers to be showcased. We may edit but only for typos, language, or length; as we desire to present submissions as received.

Past Event – Trek-or-Treat 2021



Trek-or-Treat 2021 Flyer from [Facebook](#)

Trek-or-Treat at McCoy's Creek Trail (2021 Welcome to Candyland)

Submitted by Jerry Flenar

In Buchanan, ghosts, witches and assorted characters are making preparations for the 16th Annual Trek-or-Treat event. Kids and parents should mark their calendars for SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30 FROM 12:30-2:00 PM for great family fun. Once again, 25 to 30 Halloween characters will be passing out candy to children and parents as they trek their way through a portion of the woods on McCoy's Creek Trail. The event sponsor, Friends of McCoy's Creek Trail, made over 1,400 trick or treaters happy and a bit hyper last year. This event has grown every year since 2005 and we expect this year to be no different. If you haven't had the opportunity to walk our unique trail, this would be an excellent time to see a small part of the entire 5 mile trail.

Who can you expect to see? How about a green giant, witches, a firefighter, a snowman, a mountain man, a police officer with McGruff, the Crime Dog, plus other movie and cartoon characters. We are always looking for new

costumed adult characters to appear in the woods. If interested, please call Jerry Flenar (269-240-5371) in advance. To be a character, you must be on our list before the day of Trek-or-Treat. We don't want surprise characters showing up unannounced since safety is imperative for our children. We need fun characters only (no bloody ones with chainsaws, etc.); we have lots of tiny "beggars" and don't want to scare anyone.

Entrance and parking to this fantastic event will only be from the Clark Laboratory parking lot off Front Street. We believe this large parking lot will make the day simple and safer for all participants. There will be no parking on Schirmer Parkway or in the Trail parking lot off Schirmer Parkway.

The biggest question we get is "How is this event funded?" Simple answer is you: our Buchanan community donates tons and tons of candy. Please help us again by donating candy to this super fun annual event for our children. As we say, no donation of candy is too small but, must be unopened. Candy may be dropped at several locations including Buchanan City Hall, Redbud Insurance, Buchanan Senior Center and Redbud Fitness until 2:00 pm on Friday, October 29.

Please note, we do not allow dogs (service dogs excluded) at the Trek-or Treat event.

WE NEED CANDY DONATIONS, WE NEED CANDY DONATIONS



About Friends of McCoy Creek Trail: The Friends of McCoy Creek Trail was established by Resolution of the City of Buchanan in April 2004 as a subcommittee of the Buchanan Area Recreation Board. Friends of McCoy Creek Trail have gathered in unity to develop and pursue a trail through the City of Buchanan. They have developed pathways through E. B. Clark Woods on the south side of McCoy Creek and have continued the trail to

downtown Buchanan along the Creek. They host events such as a 5k Extreme held in August and Trek-or-Treat for Halloween. Public can walk, run or just enjoy a stroll through the woods.

[Friends of McCoy Creek Trail Facebook Here.](#)

[Friends of McCoy Creek Trail Website Here.](#)

A Note from the Editor – Issue 12



by Rebecka Hoyt, Editor

This past week, I have been meeting a lot of new people. I can truly say that I am enjoying it. Now I kinda know how my Grandma Stratton felt as she was a people person and not afraid to go up to people and say something to them, and it was all good that she would say. So, I guess that I have a little bit of her in me, but maybe not 100% like her. When I hear someone talking in an ear-shot from me, and if it applies to a possible future article, I may politely interrupt when it's the right time.

My recent interaction with someone new had an interesting design on their face mask that made me ask a question. Their mask had the University of Chicago logo on it. I told them about how our daughter was a patient at that hospital almost 12 years ago. Come to find out, their spouse is a professor there and they have a place by the Galien River that they are fixing up. I then mentioned we had an article suggestion on why people come over this way from Chicago as we have heard that quite a few or I should say many make their way over here for various reasons. In this issue, there is some Buchanan history about a family having a vacation here with their 80 year old Dad as he told stories about Clear Lake.

Our Sports writers, Nik Sanchez and Garrick Stubblefield will be providing some write-ups on some of the athletes of Buchanan High School in future articles. Even though we have two great guys covering sports, we can't cover every sport and/or both middle and high school. So, if any coaches and/or parents that attend these sporting events – even away games, we would really appreciate it for you to submit photos of any Buchanan sports. Please email them to us with a small description at: buchananchronicle@att.net If you know of anyone that would like to help us cover some sports and/or community events send us an email as well.

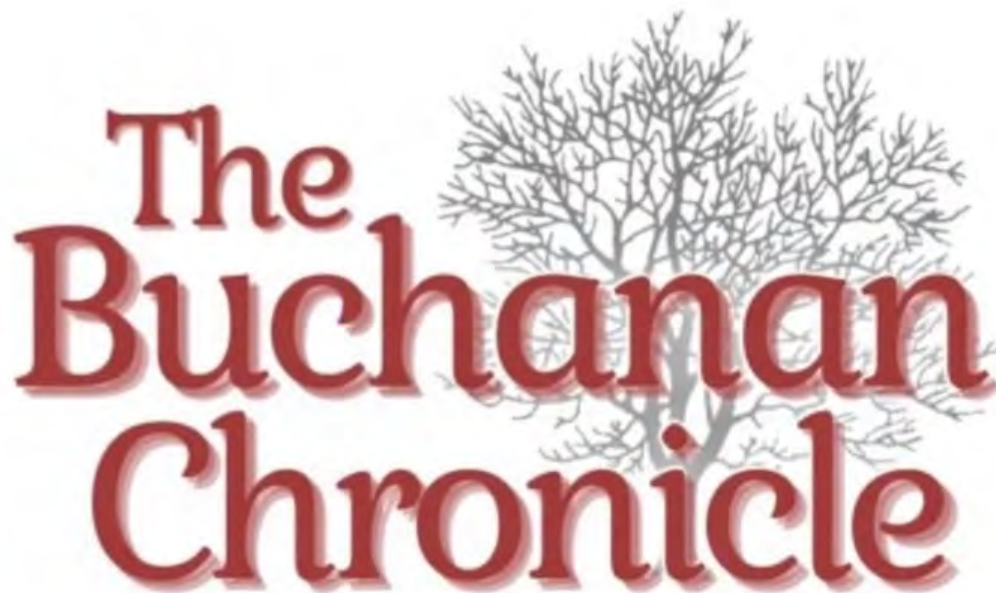
Lastly, I have some great news if you haven't heard yet: our Facebook page has reached over 1,000 likes! We want to thank everyone for sharing, tagging and liking our page. Feel free to continue to share our article links. Also,

don't forget to subscribe to our email reminders when a new issue gets published. And one last final thing: we will be at the Buchanan Farmers' Market one more time this season, next week on Saturday, September 25 from 8am -1pm. Come visit us, say "Hi", make an article suggestion, order some swag items, and purchase a few of the BEST chocolate chip cookies (nut-free) in town from Julie Hoyt, as all of her sales from the cookies will go to The Buchanan Chronicle for future printed issues! Julie will only be taking cash for cookie payments.

Enjoy the 12th issue!

Happy Readings,

Rebecka Hoyt



Seasonal Sentiments – What Fall Means To Me

by Garrick Stubblefield

Well let's say it in straight terms that it's our third season of four, and as for us Michigan people, we only have one more season before it gets extremely cold on us.

Okay so to tell you there are many things that I love about the fall season. When I see most of the corn get cut here in Michigan, I know we are hitting fall weather. We start to feel the hot days turn into cold days. I see the last days of grapes being picked whether it be for juice or wine.

About the end of September we tend to see a wide range of color change of the leaves and start to fall to the ground. You most definitely can't forget the huge variety of apples to pick, so eventually you make apple pies, turnovers, strudels and much more. So of course I save the best for last and that is going to an orchard and finding the best pumpkin for Halloween.

Well that is it for the season for fall, and I will catch you in December for the winter season.

Answer to Puzzle 2 from this Issue's Puzzler Page:**PUZZLE 2 – KNOWING YOUR STATES AND CAPITALS**

- STATES:
 1. Florida
 2. West Virginia
 - CAPITALS:
 1. Pierre
 2. Charleston
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Upcoming Event – Boy Scout Troop 541 Fundraiser



Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser Flyer

Boy Scout Troop 541 to Host 5th Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Submitted by Bill Blumka

- *Who:* Boy Scout Troop 541
- *Where:* Buchanan Moose Lodge
- *What:* **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser**
- *When:* Friday, Sept. 24 – 4:30-7p
- *How much:* \$6 All You Can Eat, with Garlic Bread & Drink

All proceeds go into the troop's general fund for their many functions.
The day chosen coincides with the first home football game of the season.

This spaghetti dinner will be different because they will offer multiple flavor options, possibly up to 20! Some within the troop have some friendly competition between family recipes. From hot Mexican chile style to vegan to sausage to venison, you'll want to try them all.

Carryout will be available.

Buchanan Moose Lodge has been this event's host for the past 5 years (except 2020 due to COVID).

Thanks for your support!

About Buchanan BSA: Buchanan Boy Scout Troop 541 is in the Algonquian District, which is part of the LaSalle Council, Boy Scouts of America and supports local scouting units (Packs, Troops and Crews) in Southwestern Michigan and Northern Indiana.

Troop 541 [Facebook Page](#)

Bill Blumka, Scoutmaster

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Buchanan First United Methodist Church

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BCS School Spotlight – BMS September 2021



New Year, New Beginnings, New Hopes & Dreams at Buchanan Middle School

by BMS Principal Shelby Beasley

The beginning of a school year often brings many new things – new crayons, new notebooks, new classrooms, new friends. However, for the students, parents, and staff at Buchanan Middle School, it also meant time to reflect on what new hopes and dreams they had for the 2021-22 school year.

At Buchanan Middle School's back-to-school orientation, parents and students had the opportunity to write their hopes and dreams on sticky notes and hang them on the wall. A few of the notes from students included hopes and dreams of making new friends, improving grades, and in true middle school fashion, "keeping track of my retainer." Parents hoped for "a love of learning" and "being kind". One parent wrote, "For my son to learn a new way to make the world a better place." Other hopes and dreams reflected some of the lasting effects of living in a global pandemic.

Dreams such as staying healthy, having a year "as normal as possible," or "being in school and not virtual"

to have a new
Year and make
friends

I hope
to bring joy
& amazing
experiences to
my students
this year

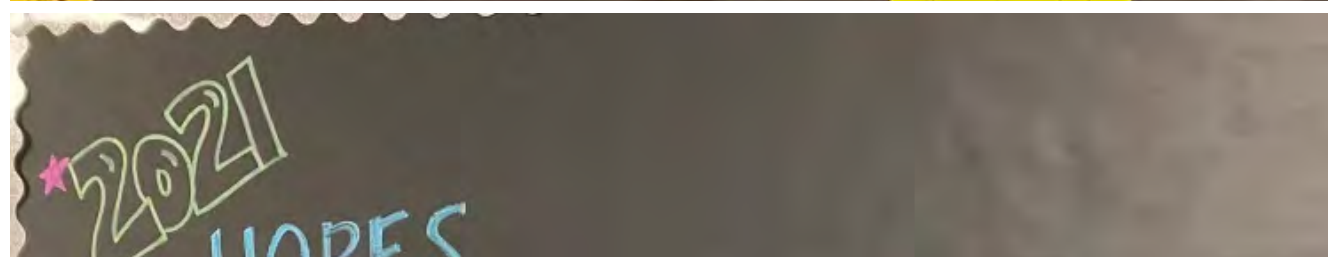
Try to not have
So much problems

I hope all
Students
Know they
belong!

This Year
I want good
grades.

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Community Press Release – UMW FUMC Fall Arts & Crafts Show



Craft Show photo submitted by Dee DeVincent

Women of LaPorte First United Methodist Church Gear Up for 7th Annual Fall Arts & Crafts Show

Write-Up & Photo Submitted by Dee DeVincent

“September 25, couldn’t get here quick enough. That’s the date of our 7th Annual UMW Arts & Crafts Show, held at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds,” said Tina Geyer, President of the UMW (United Methodist Women) from LaPorte First United Methodist Church. Like all other events, last year’s show was canceled because of the coronavirus pandemic. “We are so excited about seeing our show participants and visitors again. After hosting this show for 7 years, I can honestly say we missed seeing everyone last year,” noted Geyer.

Shoppers will be able to look over vendors’ wares inside 3 fairground buildings that are handicapped accessible. They will find seasonal items as well as inside home décor products, yard ornamentation, original artwork, jewelry, sports-oriented items, floral arrangements, rustic wood signs, pet accessories, wreaths, photography, accessories for adults and children, hand-crafted small furniture and much more. If you’re not in the market for something for yourself, don’t forget Christmas is right around the corner.

“The United Methodist Women (UMW) are so grateful to be able to host this event, which brings really top-notch artisans to the LaPorte community. Vendors come from local surrounding communities as well as far away towns from the states of Indiana, Michigan and Illinois,” said Geyer.

The person responsible for coordinating the show is Dee DeVincent, a member of the LaPorte First United Methodist Church and watercolor artist. As a participant in arts and crafts shows for the past 15 years, she knows how hard 2020 was on vendors like herself. “With no where to sell their goods because of all the event cancellations due to the coronavirus, artists and crafters spent most of 2020 doing what they do best. Creating art and crafts! As a

result, visitors to this show can expect to find an abundance of wonderfully hand-crafted items on display by 100 artisans," DeVincent said.

Show hours are 9:00 am to 3:00 pm CDT. The LaPorte County Fairgrounds is located at 2581 W. State Road 2, LaPorte, IN. Visitors can enjoy lunch and dessert items that will be available for purchase throughout the day. Admission and parking are free.

In accordance with CDC guidelines and for the protection of everyone attending the show, it would be appreciated if all visitors wear masks inside the buildings. Masks will be available for distribution. THIS IS A VOLUNTARY REQUEST NOT MANDATORY.

About United Methodist Women: UMW focus on mission and current topics in our society.

About LaPorte First United Methodist Church: Our mission is to Love God, Love People, and Love Life; Everyone is welcome to join us for any of our events.

LaPorte First United Methodist Church

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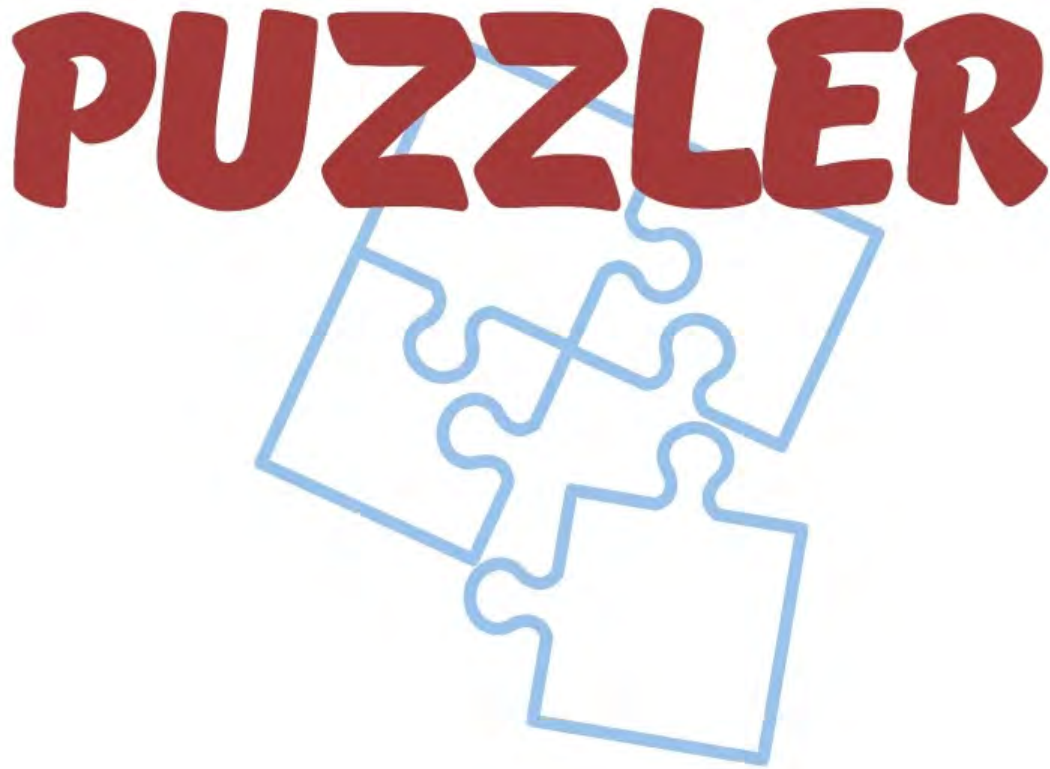
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Puzzler Page – Issue 12

by Garrick Stubblefield



Hi all, my name is Garrick Stubblefield and I live here in Buchanan. I joined the military right out of school. Recently, I was asked to join The Buchanan Chronicle by sports writer Nik Sanchez. I will be doing an array of, not

only puzzles, but I will be doing sports and other articles. My objective is doing puzzles for your entertainment. Bear in mind that these puzzles have come from my head and not from any ol' newspaper, magazine, or book. I hope you love them and give me feedback as they come out.

Puzzler Page

PUZZLE 1 – REDUCING A LETTER

- Puzzle Instructions:
 - You'll be given a 3, 4, 5, or 6 letter word.
 - The object of the puzzle is to remove one letter each step, making a new word each time.
 - After a letter is removed you cannot reuse it.
 - Abbreviations do count. As in the English dictionary, there are 2 letter words that count, such as PI, AR, KA, KI, ER; however acronyms do not count.
 - You may rearrange the letters each step to create your new word.
- THIS ISSUE Puzzles:
 - 6 Letter –
 - STREAM
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 - 5 Letter –
 - PIXAR
 -
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 - 4 Letter –
 - LARK
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 -
 -
 - 3 Letter –
 - KIT
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As this puzzle could have many answers, you can email your possible answers to Garrick at garrickstubblefield@gmail.com. He will check and respond as quickly as he can.

PUZZLE 2 – KNOWING YOUR STATES AND CAPITALS

Riddles below are clues to State names and State Capital names.

- STATES:
 1. This State is famous for its ORANGES.
 2. This State has the WRONG DIRECTION in it.
- CAPITALS:
 1. This Capital is famous for PIES & DESSERTS.
 2. This Capital has the name of a CANDY BAR.

PUZZLE 3 – FINDING A WORD WITHIN A WORD

- Instructions:
 - Search the given word to find a new word for each clue below.

FIREWORKS

1. These special PANS make foreign food.
2. Most adults do THIS for a living.
3. Not a HUSBAND, but a ____.
4. THIS can happen when kids play with matches.
5. A bunch of THESE, wound up and connected, make electricals work.

PUZZLE 4 – CRACK THE CODE

- Instructions:
 - Beginning with a given three digit number, you will follow along each step and end with a different three digit number as your answer.

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1. ADD THE FIRST TWO DIGITS AND MAKE THAT THE FIRST DIGIT;
2. TAKE THE LAST DIGIT AND MAKE IT A 3;
3. ADD ALL THE DIGITS AND MAKE THAT THE MIDDLE DIGIT;
4. MAKE THE LAST DIGIT A ZERO;
5. WHAT IS THE FINAL 3 DIGIT NUMBER?

Check your answers by finding them throughout this issue. Read each article to find all the answers.

The Clark Barker – Issue 12



What Do Pets Do When Kids Go Back To School?

School has been in session I believe for about a month, I am not sure as I cannot read a calendar. However, it almost feels like a really long time from when my young human leaves early in the dark morning and comes back home when it's lighter outside! I can tell that the noise in the house has been reduced, which helps me to take longer uninterrupted naps. But then the noise returns in the afternoon when they come home! I get so excited that I jump up and down and try to talk to them as they come into the house and then they take me outside, yay!

While Mommy and Daddy work from home, I like to look out of the window of the office where Daddy is working and yes, I do bark loudly when I see the neighbor's cat, a squirrel or someone walking by. Sometimes Daddy doesn't appreciate my bark when he's on a call. I can't help it, he opened the blinds and there is a chair for me to sit on and look out that window! But I heard him tell Mom one day that oh so and so on the phone has a doggie that does the same thing.

I do share the rest of the house with a cat. She keeps to herself and likes to sleep on our young human's bed during the day. But during the day, she will come out of the bedroom and start meowing. The cat likes someone to be next to her when she eats her food, I kinda am like that too. Every now and then, the cat likes to run in the house for no reason. I only run when I see that squirrel or bunny and also when someone comes home and I am waiting for them at the door. "Hello, where have you been? What took you so long? Take me outside!" Woof – Woof!

Answer to Puzzle 1 from this Issue's Puzzler Page:**PUZZLE 1 – REDUCING A LETTER**

- 6 Letter –
 - STREAM
 - STEAM
 - STEM
 - MET
 - ME
 - E

 - 5 Letter –
 - PIXAR
 - PAIR
 - AIR
 - AR
 - A

 - 4 Letter –
 - LARK
 - ARK
 - AR
 - A

 - 3 Letter –
 - KIT
 - IT
 - I
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Now That's Funny! – Issue 12



by Thomas Hoyt

Now That's Funny... or is it?

Well folks, today I'm trying to think of something funny that happened. However, on this day 20 years ago there was nothing funny about what happened. I'm talking about the attack that was made by terrorists on 9/11/2001. I'm sure all of you reading this fully remember what happened and where you were when it happened.

I was at work when I started hearing about planes crashing into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York. I had to go online to see any video of what was happening. I was working at the same place my dad did and at the time he was in Mexico. He was only supposed to be down there for a few days. When I learned that all flights in the US had been grounded, my first thought was my dad is now stuck in Mexico. I finally was able to talk with him on the phone and told him what was going on and what had happened. I was just thankful he wasn't on any of those planes.

Now there was nothing funny about all of that, but my dad always had a way of looking for something humorous to ease the tension.

Dad had only packed for a few days, but he wound up being down there for over a week! So, there was some joking about how he had to hand wash his clothes. 😊 After dad did get home, he talked about how he ate the same club sandwich every day for dinner and was so thankful to get home to eat something else. I miss my dad. Sadly, he

died last year of cancer.

Now you might find this funny. One year for Christmas my dad gave me a tap and die set as a gift. What was funny was how he had wrapped the gift. He didn't just use normal wrapping paper...oh noooooooooo. He wrapped this gift up in the handyman's secret weapon, duct tape! 🤔 Not only that, but in between the layers of duct tape were these layers of zip ties!!! 🤔🤔🤔 I had spent well over an hour or two unwrapping this thing.

Keep laughing folks! 😊

Answer to Puzzle 3 from this Issue's Puzzler Page:**PUZZLE 3 – FINDING A WORD WITHIN A WORD**

1. WOKS
 2. WORK
 3. WIFE
 4. FIRE
 5. WIRES
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City Commission Meeting Agenda • September 13 2021

Write-Up by Editor Rebecka Hoyt, Agenda by City Clerk Barbara A. Pitcher

Please note that only the City Commission Meeting Agenda is posted below. At the end of the agenda, click on the link to take you to more detailed minutes of the meeting. Also, the meeting minutes will not be published in each issue of The Buchanan Chronicle (probably once a month) due to rules that minutes are approved at the next City Commission meeting.

The Buchanan City Commission met for their Monday meeting September 13th 2021 at 7:00 pm, in person, Buchanan City Hall Chamber, 302 N Redbud Trail, Buchanan, MI 49107.

Begin Agenda:

MONDAY, September 13, 2021 – 7:00 PM

I. Call to Order

II. Recognition

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Roll Call

V. Approve Agenda

VI. Public Comment – Agenda Items Only (3-minute limit)

VII. Consent Agenda – (can be approved all in one motion, for general housekeeping items)

1. Approve Minutes

- August 23, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- August 30, 2021, Special Meeting Minutes

2. Approve Expenditures for September 13, 2021

3. Set Halloween Trick or Treat Date and Hours Sunday, October 31, from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m

4. Accept Staff Activity Reports

VIII. Scheduled Matters from the Floor (if any)

1. 2023 Front Street Project

- Jason Washler from Prein & Newhof to present the scope of the project.

IX. Reports by: Departments, Committees, Boards

1. Friends of McCoy Creek Trail

- Trail Update Jerry Flenar to provide an update on the trail expansion.

2. Friends of McCoy Creek Trail

- Trek-N-Treat Jerry Flenar and Wayne Writer to discuss plans for this year's Trek-N-Treat.

3. Community Development Report

- Community Development Director Rich Murphy will present drafts to the City Commission of the first two economic development incentive programs, the Buchanan Façade Program and the Restaurant Incentive Program.

4. Public Services Report

- Asphalt Bids:
 - Mill Race Parking Lot – Affordable Asphalt \$37,500.00
 - Ravish Park – Affordable Asphalt \$17,800.00
 - Ravish Park – Arnt Asphalt Sealing Inc. \$61,530.00
 - Third Street – Affordable Asphalt \$19,350.00
 - Third Street – Arnt Asphalt Sealing Inc. \$25,000.00
- DPW Building Update
- Third Street Update

5. Treasurer Report

X. Unfinished Business

1. Greater Niles Chamber of Commerce

- Consider payment of invoice from the Greater Niles Chamber of Commerce.

2. Pinnacle Emporium 420 Event

- Consider approval of the Pinnacle Emporium Event originally proposed during the August 23, 2021, City Commission meeting.

3. Days Avenue Trees

XI. New Business

1. Emergency Management Coordinator

- Consider adopting Resolution 2021.09/235 to establish an Emergency Management Coordinator to liaise with the County. Tim Ganus, Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police will serve in this capacity.

2. Proposed Pay Period Update

- Update the AFSCME Contract to revise the pay period.

3. Liquor Control License Transfer

- Consider the Local Government Approval for a liquor license transfer application from Robert Maynard for the property located at 116 Main St. (Maize & Brew Ltd. d/b/a B&W Old Village Inn.

4. Edgewater Counteroffer

- Consider entering into Closed Session pursuant to MCL 15.268 Section 8 (h) to discuss matters subject to attorney-client privilege.

5. Performance Review of City Manager Grace

- City Manager Grace's review is due to be completed and the contract states the evaluation process to be used shall be established by the City Commission at least 30 days prior to each evaluation.

XII. Communications – (informational only, formal board action is not necessary for these items, unless so desired)

1. Homecoming Parade

- The Buchanan High School Homecoming Parade will be held on October 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. and will feature an appearance by Hannah Roberts, Olympic Silver Medalists in Women's BMX.

XIII. Public Comment – Non-Agenda Items Only (3-minute limit)

XIV. Executive Comments

1. [City Manager Comments](#)
2. [Commissioner Comments](#)
3. [Mayor Comments](#)

XV. Adjourn

You may view the completed September 13, 2021 City Commissioner Meeting Minutes on [the City of Buchanan Website](#).



Board of Education Meeting Agenda • UPCOMING September 20 2021

Agenda from Buchanan Community Schools Board of Education

Please note that the Board of Education Meeting Agenda is posted below. At the end of the agenda, click on the link to take you to more detailed minutes of the meeting. Also, the meeting minutes will not be published in each issue of The Buchanan Chronicle, but instead as they are available.

Members of the public may contact members of the school board to provide input or ask questions on any business that will come before the board. These items will also be shared with the Superintendent.

Regular Meeting

Buchanan High School Auditorium 401 W. Chicago Street Buchanan, MI 49107

09/20/2021 6:00 PM Watch the live stream: https://youtu.be/k5Pfw8_RLgI

Begin Agenda:

I. Call to Order

1. President Dr. Harvey Burnett will open the meeting at 6:00pm.

- We welcome you to a meeting of the Buchanan Community Schools Board of Education.
- All regular meetings have been posted on our district website, in our central office, and in each district school building. Tonight's agenda has been posted on our website and emailed out to the BCS Board of Education Community Subscription. Our school board members receive the agenda and all supporting documents for reports and action items several days prior to this scheduled meeting, so they can review information, prepare questions or comments, and are ready to participate fully in the discussions and votes that encompass the duties of their office.
- This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting.
- *Thank you for your support of Buchanan Community Schools!*

- II. Roll Call
- III. Adoption of Agenda
- IV. Recognition of Visitors
- V. Superintendent/Department Reports

1. Buck Staff Appreciation September Winner:
 - Sarah Blair, Administrative Assistant to Transportation, Operations & Food Service
2. Buck Staff Appreciation September Nominees:
 - Anthony DeOrnellas, BHS Teacher
 - Chad VanBeek, BCS Maintenance
 - Judy Heckathorn, BCS Food Service

- VI. Information/Reports & New Business
- VII. Community Dialogue/Citizens' Concerns
- VIII. Adoption of Consent Agenda Items
- VIX. Recommended Action – Other

1. CTE MMC Credit Approval
2. Student Handbook Update
3. NEOLA First Reading

- XXIV. Questions & Comments From Board Members
- XXV. Next Board Meeting:

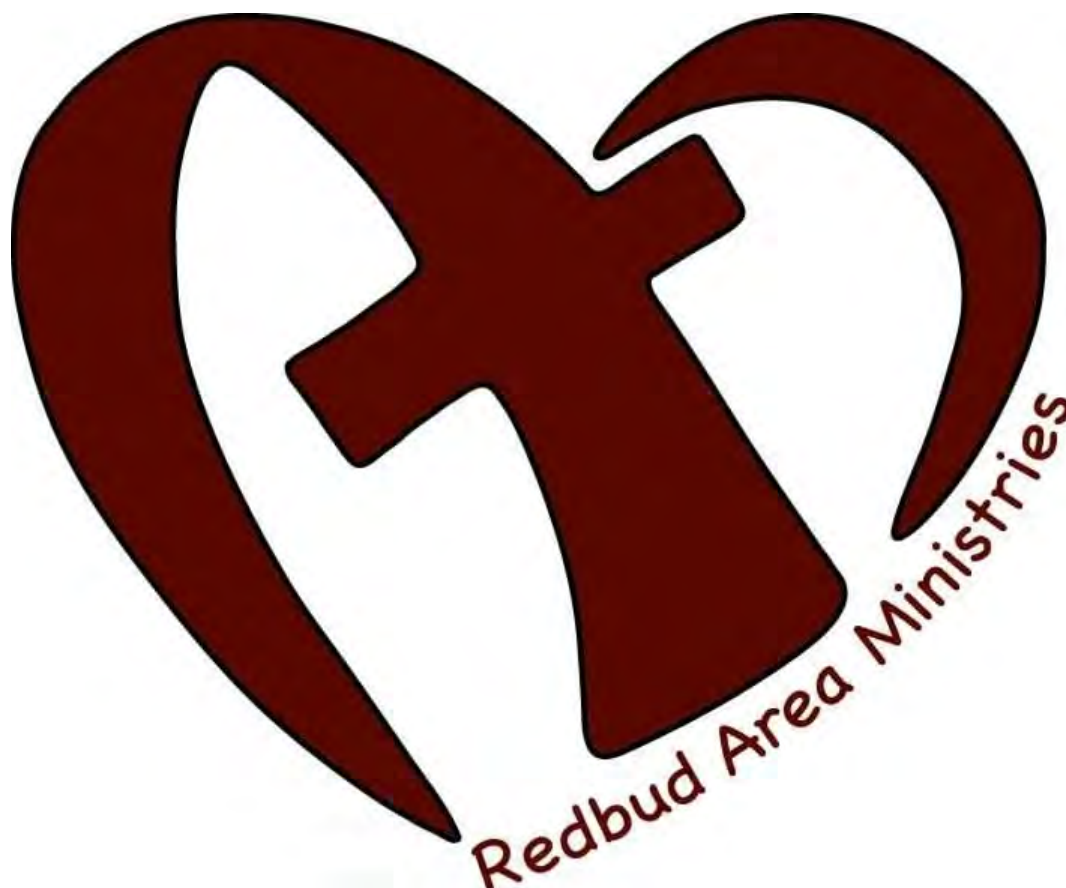
1. Monday, October 18th at 6pm

- XXVI. Adjournment:

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Local Charity – RAM Parking Lot Fund-Raiser Sale



RAM to Hold Parking Lot Fund-Raiser Sale Saturday Sept. 25

Submitted by Jan Nowak-Walters

- *Who:* Redbud Area Ministries
- *What:* Parking Lot Fundraiser Sale
- *Where:* RAM 708 N Redbud Trail
- *When:* Saturday Sept. 25 9a-3p

Proceeds from this FUN-draiser will help further our outreach to those in need. Collectables, art work, china, flatware, memorabilia, decorations, antiques, etc.

Cash or Checks only

Please help us out and come shop for your new treasures!

About Redbud Area Ministries: RAM is an interdenominational and interracial ministry center started to organize the churches in the Buchanan and Galien School Districts to respond to individual and family needs.

Redbud Area Ministries

269-695-5083

redbudareaministries.weebly.com

redbudareaministries@yahoo.com

www.facebook.com/Redbud-Area-Ministries-167516756619873/, 708 Red Bud Trail N Buchanan,

MI 49107

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Community Press Release – IMRVT Interurban Bridge Project



Indiana-Michigan River Valley Trail – Interurban Bridge Project

Submitted by Deb Conley

Deb Conley here, former Berrien Township Trustee and current representative for the Township on the Indiana Michigan River Valley Trail (IMRVT) Committee and the Interurban Bridge Committee. I know many of you have seen recent press and social media posts on the efforts to rebuild the Interurban bridge over Lake Chapin to serve as a portion of a non-motorized trail. Here is a little more background on the Interurban Railway and an update...

The Interurban Railway ran electric trains all over the nation and were very popular for a short period. The local line ran from St. Joseph to South Bend and cost \$1.10 for a round trip ticket. Although there were great hopes that all of America would be connected via a series of interurbans, the invention of the automobile and the interstate highway system kept that vision from becoming reality. The railway operated for 30 years, from 1904 to 1934. In 1939 the steel bridge over Lake Chapin in Berrien Springs was removed. Although the history of the Interurban Railway was short-lived, the impact on the area was great. Not only did it impact local commerce, but it helped settle the area along its route. It is a faded memory in the minds of most locals. We have all heard stories and read the history but most of us have no recollection of the bridge nor the trains. All we know is that it is the folly of the youth to jump off the abutments that were left behind. That is, up until recently.

Efforts began earlier this year to figure out how to rebuild that bridge, as a portion of the Indiana Michigan River Valley Trail (IMRVT) extension project from Niles to Berrien Springs. So much has happened; planning committees for both the bridge and the overall project have met, a memorandum of understanding has been signed by the key players, finance and communications committees have been formed. The crucial piece of information needed to determine hard costs for the project has been to get the current abutments inspected... Thanks to the Townships of Berrien and Oronoko and the Village of Berrien Springs, who came together to cost share the inspection of the remaining abutments (piers). They were inspected by Underwater Construction Corporation and Wightman & Associates on July 29, 2021. And on August 12, 2021, the bridge committee received the results of the inspection. Suzannah Deneau of Wightman, to whom this committee owes a special thanks for all her efforts,

reports that she is highly confident that the current piers can support a new bridge!

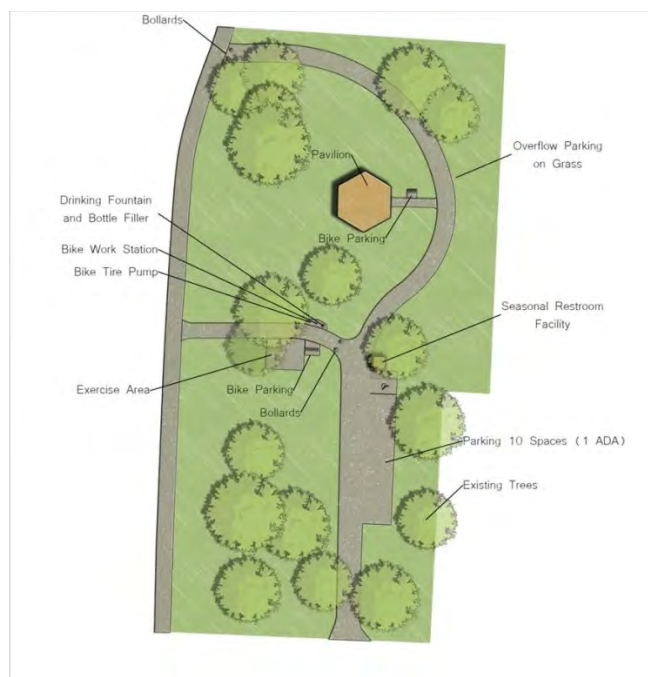
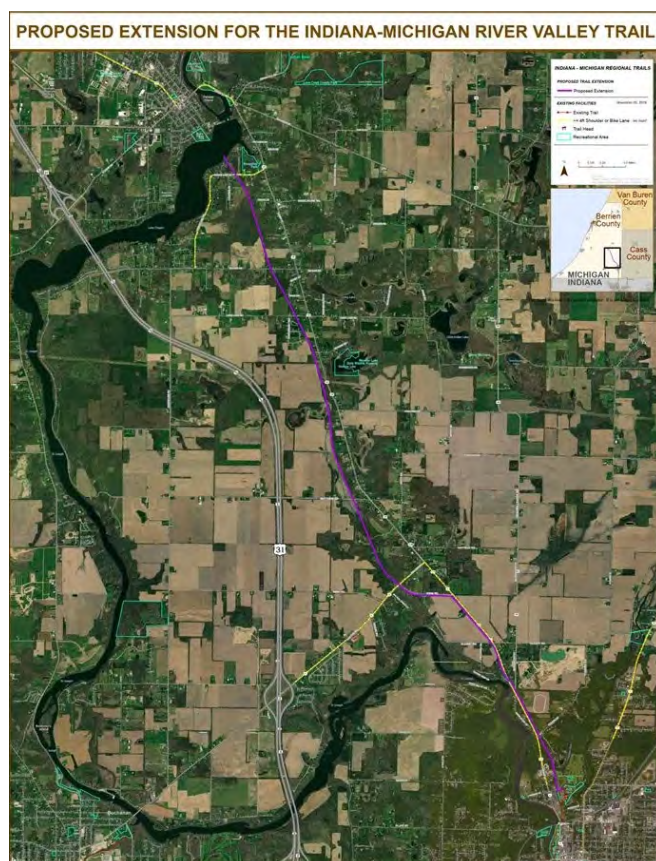
She says there will be some repairs needed to the portion above water but the structures under the water are sound. However, there is a need to put together further information and we need your help. We need the following information to support initial findings and satisfy future funders:

1 – What happened to the missing abutment/pier? Inspection of the bottom of Lake Chapin resulted in no evidence of it falling into the river, only the foundation on which it had stood.

2 – Is there documented history of the construction? Photos? Architect drawings or original plans?

If anyone has any documented information, please contact Kelly Ewalt, Community Development Coordinator, Village of Berrien Springs. You can email kelly@villageofberriensprings.com, call 269-473-6921 or stop by the Village offices.

For more information on the trail or other local and regional trails visit: www.berrientrails.org/inmirvt.asp and www.berrientrails.org/inmirvtextension.asp, and here at: [www.Facebook.com/FriendsoftheIMRVTrail](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsoftheIMRVTrail).



About the Friends of Berrien County Trails: The Friends of Berrien County Trails is a Michigan registered 501(c)(3) non-profit focused on trail development. The organization was formerly The Friends of Harbor Country Trails, but in December of 2019 we changed our name and expanded our reach county-wide to become The Friends of Berrien County Trails. The goals of the FoBCT are to identify trail needs, help with funding development, advocating for trails, and educating the public about how trails benefit our community. For more information, visit www.berrientrails.org.

Friends of Berrien County Trails
 269-339-0797

Contact: Gary Wood, President
www.berrientrails.org
berrientrails@gmail.com
Berrien County, MI
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Community Press Release – DAR Wreaths Across America



Local Wreaths Across America Sponsorship Group to Host a National Wreaths Across America Day Ceremony

Three Oaks, MI – September 13, 2021

Rebecca Dewey Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is fundraising to support Wreaths Across America, specifically to earn sponsorships for veterans' wreaths to be placed at Shedd Cemetery in Three Oaks Township, MI and Fort Custer National Cemetery, Augusta, MI on National Wreaths Across America Day – Saturday, December 18, 2021.

The goal of the Rebecca Dewey Chapter NSDAR is to raise awareness and wreath sponsorships to be placed on 40 or more headstones to honor as many veterans as possible at Fort Custer National Cemetery. Our chapter is one of eight fundraising groups for Fort Custer National Cemetery where 35,001 veterans are laid to rest. Each wreath sponsorship costs \$15, with \$5 going to the local sponsorship group.

Rebecca Dewey Chapter NSDAR is also seeking wreath sponsorships to be placed on 8 veteran headstones at Shedd Cemetery. Our chapter is the only group sponsoring this location and will be holding a wreath-laying ceremony on Saturday, December 18, 2021. Each wreath sponsorship costs \$15 and for every two wreaths sponsored, a third wreath will be matched by Wreaths Across America for free to Shedd Cemetery. In the event our sponsorship goal of 8 is achieved, any additional wreaths purchased will be placed at Fort Custer National Cemetery.

You can sponsor a wreath for Fort Custer National Cemetery for \$15 online at www.wreathscrossamerica.org/MI0171P

You can sponsor a wreath for Shedd Cemetery for \$15 online at www.wreathscrossamerica.org/MI0235. Each sponsorship goes toward a fresh balsam veteran's wreath that will be placed on the headstone of an American hero as we endeavor to honor all veterans laid to rest at Fort Custer National Cemetery and Shedd Cemetery this December.

About Wreaths Across America: Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester in 1992. The organization's mission – Remember, Honor, Teach – is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as at more than 2,500 veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and overseas. Volunteer Location Contact: Sandy Wilhoit, 269/462-3982 sswilhoit@aol.com

About the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Rebecca Dewey Chapter:
Chapter History – The Rebecca Dewey Chapter, NSDAR, Three Oaks, Michigan, was organized July 9,

1909, with a membership of seventeen. It was chartered December 21, 1909, with fourteen members. Since Three Oaks had secured the Dewey Cannon at the close of the Spanish-American War, it was decided to name the Chapter after Admiral Dewey's great grandmother. Rebecca Dewey Chapter NSDAR currently has 30 Members.

Dewey Cannon – This cannon, captured in the Spanish-American War by Admiral Dewey, was presented to Three Oaks when its citizens raised \$1,400 for a memorial to the men of the battleship *Maine*. This was the largest contribution, per capita, of any community in the nation. "Three Oaks Against the World," a local paper proudly boasted. This park was dedicated October 17, 1899, by President William McKinley, and others. Presentation of the cannon took place on June 28, 1900. Guest of honor was Helen Miller Gould, called the Spanish-American War's "Florence Nightingale." Thousands of people were in attendance on each occasion.

<http://www.dar.org>

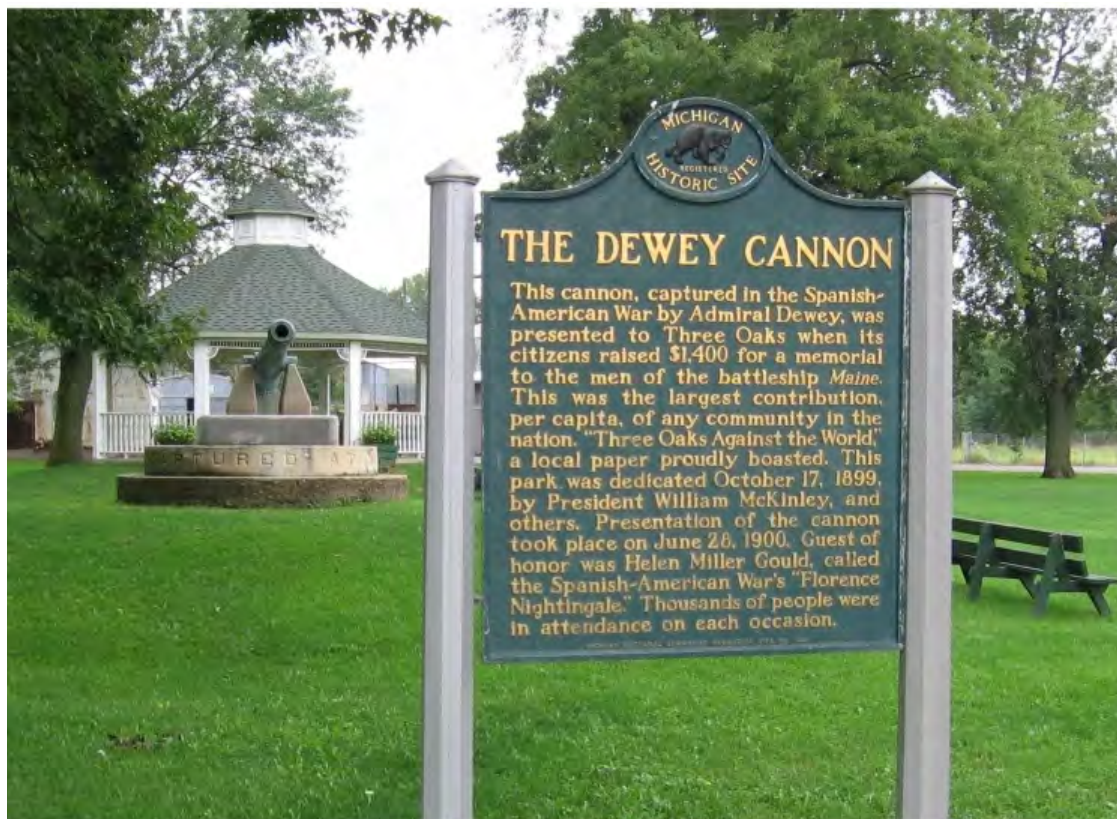
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Rebecca Dewey Chapter

Contact: Kathleen Avery Alton, Chapter Regent

<http://www.dewey.michdar.net>

rebecca.deweyto@gmail.com

Three Oaks, MI 49128



Historic Marker "The Dewey Cannon", Three Oaks, MI

Police Points – Call Log Issue 12



Police Chief Tim Ganus

Police Call Log : 8/18 – 9/7

Buchanan City Police Department

Description	Total Calls of Type
Sex Offenses	3
Parental Kidnapping	0
Larceny	1
Larceny – Theft from Motor Vehicle	4
Fraud	2
UDAA (Motor Vehicle Theft)	0
Aggravated Assault	1
Non-Aggravated/Domestic Violence	2
Family/Other	1
Burglary/Unlawful Entry	1
Intimidation/Stalking	1
Forgery/Counterfeiting	1
Retail Fraud Complaint	0
Damage to Property	2
Liquor Violations	1
Obstruction/Warrant Arrest	2
Disorderly Conduct	0
Weapons Offense	0
Public Peace / Other	12
OUIL	0
Driving Law Violations	6
Health and Safety	2
Trespass	1
Juvenile Complaints	3
Animal Cruelty	0
Private Property Damage/PI Accidents	8
Abandoned Vehicle	2
Property Checks	5
Alarms	11

Description	Total Calls of Type
Civil	3
Suspicious Situations	12
Lost/Found Property	3
Natural Death	1
Suicide	0
Medical Assist	33
General Assist	48
Ordinance Violations	13
Missing Person	1
VCSA	0

Total Calls 8/18 – 9/7 : 186



Police Points

Remembering – Issue 12


Remembering

Buchanan Losses • 8/30-9/15

This issue includes a special 20 year memory of 9/11... to all those we lost, to all who were so brave, we'll never forget...

Name	Age	Born	Died
Dale R. Longacre	76	July 23, 1945	September 15, 2021
Jan Eileen Kuhl	79	December 10, 1941	September 13, 2021
Kari Marlene Deeds	42	July 6, 1979	September 13, 2021
* 2,983 men, women, & children *	NYC	World Trade Center	September 11, 2001
Debra Sue Foster	62	September 27, 1958	September 11, 2021
Brian Keith McCall	57	September 25, 1963	September 7, 2021
Laurence Michael Fitzgerald	92	June 19, 1929	September 3, 2021
Richard "Rich" Lyle Davidson	59	January 15, 1962	September 1, 2021
Dan Lee Smith	86	July 23, 1935	August 30, 2021

We wish to respectfully honor the memory of anyone we lose in the Buchanan community. Please do let us know any corrections or additions to the list.

Hoven Funeral Home <http://www.hovenfunerals.com> info@hovenfunerals.com
269-695-2363
414 E Front St
Buchanan, MI 49107
USA

Starks Family Funeral Homes – Swem Chapel <http://www.starksfamilyfh.com/swem-chapel>
269-695-6881
301 W Front St
Buchanan, MI 49107
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Community Press Release – Berrien County Road Closures



BERRIEN COUNTY
ROAD DEPARTMENT

Fog Seal Operation to Resume Tuesday Sept. 21

Berrien County, MI – September 17, 2021



Fog seal operations began Tuesday, September 14th 2021 on recently trap rocked county roads. Approximately 9 miles of treatment has been completed. Expect to see temporary road closures on remaining treatment locations until surface is fully dried. Work and duration of closures are weather dependent. Fog seal operations anticipated to resume on Tuesday, 9/21/2021.

The Road Departments requests the traveling public to seek alternative routes to avoid freshly treated roadways. Roads will need time to fully dry before a road is reopened to thru traffic.

If local traffic must travel on a recently fog sealed road, the driver should reduce speeds greatly, or anticipate material being transferred from the treated surface onto tires or vehicle body. Locations are as follows. Multiple roads will be closed and treated simultaneously. Locations are listed in approximate project order.

Road	Termini	Township	Road Miles	
Bertrand Rd.	Portage Rd. to Copp Rd.	Bertrand	1.50	Done
Bakertown Rd.	US-12 to Buffalo Rd.	Bertrand	0.51	Done
Red Bud Trl.	City Limits to Moccasin Trl.	Buchanan	1.40	Done
Cleveland Ave.	Galien Buchanan Rd. to Village Limits	Galien	0.21	Done
Cleveland Ave.	Elm Valley Rd. to Galien Buchanan Rd.	Weesaw	1.01	Done
Harbert Rd.	Red Arrow Hwy to Three Oaks Rd.	Chikaming	1.13	Done
Shawnee Rd.	City Limits to Holden Rd.	Lake	1.50	Done
Maiden Ln.	Hollywood Rd. to Lincoln Ave.	St. Joseph	1.00	Done
Nelson Rd.	Cleveland Ave. to Washington Ave.	St. Joseph	0.51	Done
Brown School Rd.	Cleveland Ave. to Village Limits	St. Joseph	0.27	Done
Hoover Ave.	Fairplain Ave. to Colfax Ave.	St. Joseph	0.51	
Western Ave.	Miami Rd. to Colfax Ave.	St. Joseph	0.62	
Somerleyton Rd.	Nickerson Ave. to Ferguson Rd.	Benton	0.32	
Pipestone Rd.	Tabor Rd. to Evans Rd.	Pipestone	1.18	
Pokagon Rd.	M-140 to Pucker St.	Berrien	1.54	
Hennesey Rd.	Carmody Rd. to Red Arrow Hwy.	Watervliet	2.00	

See this Update as a .pdf [HERE](#).

About Berrien County Road Department: Our mission since 1882 is to maintain a county road system that is safe and convenient for public travel. This mission is carried out by a skilled, hard working staff.

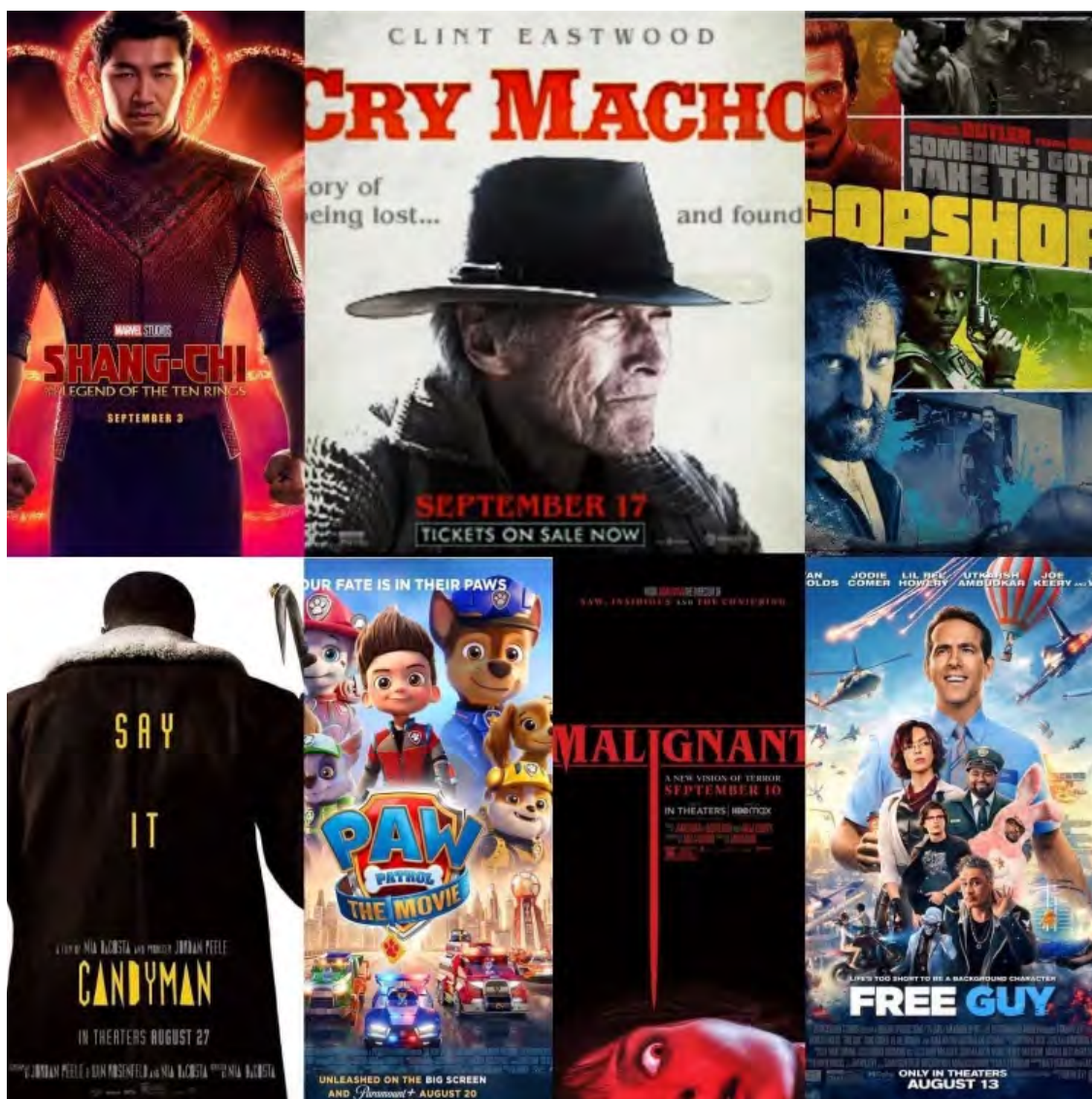
Berrien County Road Department
[269-925-1196](tel:269-925-1196)
bcroad.org
[2860 E. Napier Ave.](#)
[Benton Harbor, MI 49022](#)
[USA](#)

Movie Showtimes – 09/23/21



Wonderland Cinema • 9/17-9/23

Movie	Rating	Times
Candyman	R	2:45, 7:15, 9:30
Copshop	R	1:00, 3:45, 6:45, 9:15
Cry Macho	PG13	1:15, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00
Free Guy	PG13	12:45, 3:45, 6:30, 9:30
Malignant	R	12:45, 3:30, 6:30, 9:00
PAW Patrol: The Movie	G	12:30, 5:00
Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings	PG13	12:15, 3:15, 6:15, 9:15



Wonderland Cinema

269-683-1112

402 N Front St

Niles, MI 49120

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Moore Movie Bucket Policy:

- Moore Movie Bucket Policy
- Monday-Wednesday each bucket fill is \$0.75
- Thursday is FREE popcorn with bucket and ticket purchase
- Buckets are NOT allowed Friday-Sunday
- Refillable plastic Bucket costs \$3.00

Monday - Wednesday

75¢ REFILLS

**FREE POPCORN
Thursday**
If you bring the
current bucket
with your ticket
purchase.

**Sorry,
No Buckets
Friday - Sunday**

The

**MOORE
THEATRES**

A promotional poster for Moore Theatres. The background is a diagonal split of red and yellow. On the left, a film strip graphic shows three frames, each with a red star and the text 'MOORE THEATRES'. On the right, a large white bucket of popcorn is shown. The text '75¢ REFILLS' is in large white letters on the red background. 'FREE POPCORN Thursday' is in white on the yellow background, with a smaller line of text below it. 'Sorry, No Buckets Friday - Sunday' is in white on the red background. The Moore Theatres logo, a red star with 'MOORE THEATRES' inside, is on the bucket. The word 'The' is partially visible above the logo.

Ticket Pricing:

Matinees – All shows before 5:00 PM

Forenoon: \$2.50 (before 12pm)

Afternoon: \$4.00 (12pm to 5:00pm)

Evening – All shows 5:00 PM and after

All tickets: \$5.00

Monday Special 2 Tickets for: \$8.00

* Showtimes subject to change without notice, please click [here](#) to check the Wonderland website for latest showtimes and ticket pricing. *



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