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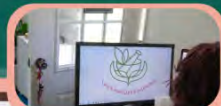
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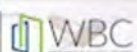
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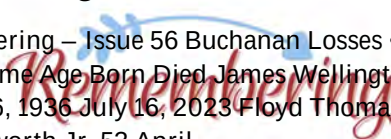
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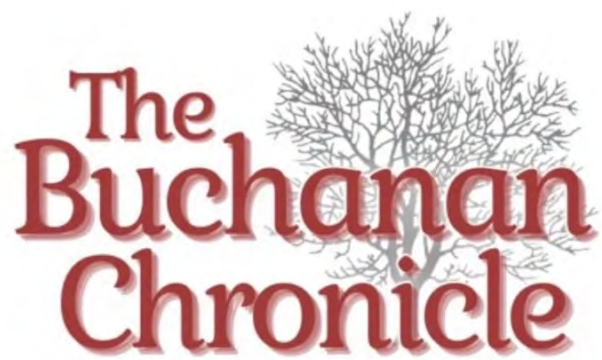
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Local Eating – Monster Burger at Cameron’s



Conquering the Monster Burger at Cameron’s Restaurant

by Rebecka Hoyt, Editor & Photographer; and Thomas Hoyt, Writer

If you happen to follow Cameron's Restaurant in Buchanan on Facebook, or have been to the restaurant, you have probably heard about their Monster Burger and Jr. Monster Burger. The Buchanan Chronicle team decided to have one of our meetings at the restaurant and try to conquer this Monster Burger.



The Buchanan Chronicle Team tries Cameron's Monster Burger, Photos by Rebecka Hoyt

Here are the ingredients of this Monster Burger that restaurant owner, Cameron Downey came up with around the time of Restaurant Week this past spring. It has two beef patties that weigh a 1/2 lb each totaling 1lb. It is served on a regular-sized hamburger bun with a cherry stout jam that adds a nice sweetness, your choice of cheese (we chose no cheese), two large onion rings which overlap each other and adds a nice visual to the burger making it look taller! Then, two fried eggs, two layers of thinly sliced-stacked-ham – making it a true hamburger, and two pieces of scrumptious bacon on top of both beef patties that are very moist. You also get the choice of french fries or tater tots, we picked fries. When it is brought out to you, a skewer holds it in place and a steak knife for you to cut in half as this is quite a large burger to hold onto! You will also get reactions from your group or those sitting nearby you with wide eyes and lots of “Oohs and aahs.”

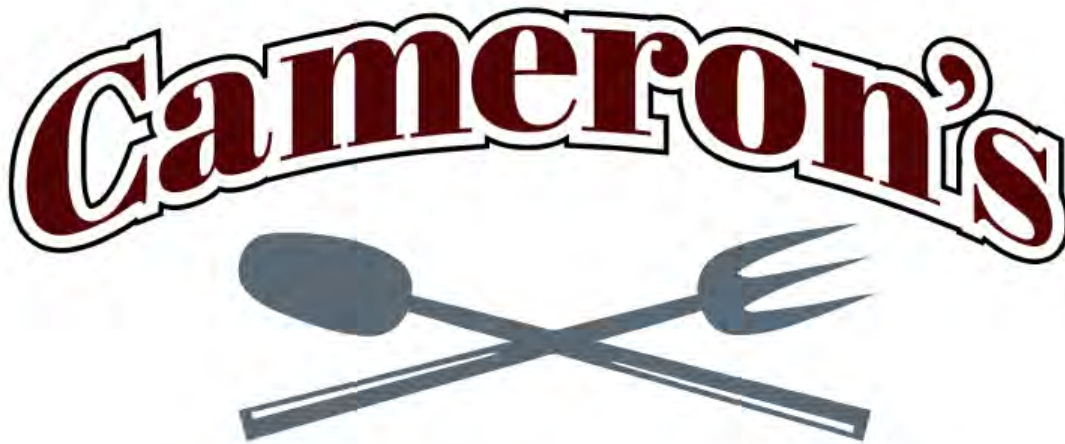


Now, if this Monster seems too big for you, they also have the Jr. Monster Burger which has one beef patty instead of two. We ordered one Monster Burger which Tom and I tackled, but we couldn't finish the last ¼ of it and left a few french fries. In order to finish this burger, Cameron stated, "The customers hardly drink anything before and during it and they do not get an appetizer and it can take about an hour to finish it nice and steady." Monster and Junior Burger conquerors range in all ages of men, women and kids as young as nine-years-old and did a "Happy Dance!" And some come back to try to conquer it again if they didn't succeed the first time. This has brought in some new customers from Sister Lakes (Dowagiac, MI) and other out-of-staters.



Tom and the Buchanan Chronicle Team tried Cameron's Monster Burger, Photos by Rebecka Hoyt

There is no reward for finishing the burger plate, just your own bragging rights and enjoying a good and messy burger. You can also order takeout for the Monster Burger \$23.99 and the Junior Burger \$16.99. So keep the napkins handy, a fork and knife and enjoy! Let us know if you have tried it!



About Cameron's: Family restaurant located in Buchanan MI – We offer a variety of SW Michigan favorites in a comfortable, family friendly setting.

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• Typical Hours:

- Sunday – Tuesday: Closed
- Wednesday – Saturday: 5pm – 9pm

Past Event – Greta Pope in Common Concert Series



Greta Pope's Motown: Pride of the Motor City in Common Summer Concert Series

by Jen Garry, Publisher

"Join us for "Greta Pope's Motown: Pride of the Motor City" for a Motown concert!" they said, and so many people did just that! The turnout was great, as was the weather, and there was even wings and fries available to eat. This free event was held in Buchanan Common on Saturday, July 8, 2023 at 7pm, and with a great crowd of concert-goers, it was a wonderful evening of fun, family, music and dancing.



The free summer concert series in this beautiful park in a charming downtown honors Buchanan's distinction as The Nicest Place in America by Reader's Digest. The idyllic setting frames a diverse line-up this year as the series features bands from over ten genres. The venue, "The Common," is situated in the heart of Buchanan's historic downtown and features an iconic bandshell, expansive green space, and is bordered by McCoy Creek where children and families dip their toes to cool off on hot evenings.



About Greta Pope: Greta Pope is an award-winning internationally acclaimed entertainer. Greta has performed an array of styles from Jazz to Opera throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, the Far East, South Africa, and the Caribbean. Along with performing, she teaches voice lessons to students of all ages, educates aspiring singers and musicians on how to grow their profession in the music industry, hosts The Business Savvy Singer Podcast, author of Music, Money, And You...Managing the Business, and more!

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About The Common: The Common is Buchanan's very own outdoor amphitheater. Sitting in the heart of Downtown, it's an ideal spot to stretch out on the lawn and enjoy a play or concert. The common is host to several music concerts during the summer months. Whether you enjoy jazz, country, bluegrass or rock & roll, the Common has something to suit everyone's musical tastes. Stop by on a lunch-hour break when you get a chance and enjoy one of the "Stop, Lunch & Listen" plays put on during the noon-hour throughout the summer.

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Upcoming Event – National Night Out 2023

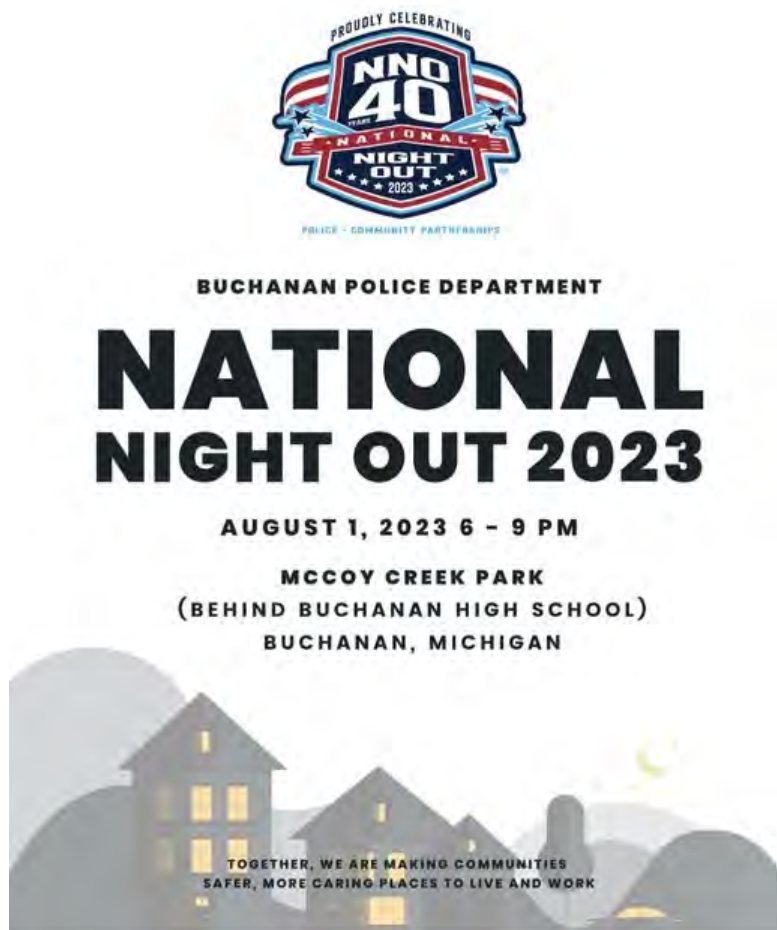


National Night Out 2023 in Buchanan

Shared by Buchanan City Police Department

Together, we are making communities safer, more caring places to live and work.

Join Buchanan City Police Department on Tuesday, August 1st from 6-9pm at National Night Out 2023, which will be held down by McCoy Creek behind Buchanan High School, for some family fun, food, and activities. Last year this included a water slide down the hill, dunk tank, fire hose practice, and much more. You'll have to attend the event to see what activities are going to be available this year – bring the whole family, see you there!



National Night Out 2023 in Buchanan flyer

**Event Details:**

- *Who:* Buchanan City Police Department
- *What:* [Buchanan's National Night Out 2023](#)
- *When:* **Tuesday, August 1 ~ 6-9pm**
- *Where:* McCoy Creek Recreation Area
 - Behind Buchanan High School
 - 501 W Smith St, Buchanan MI 49107

- *Details:* Fun for the whole family with our local law enforcement and emergency services.



About Buchanan City Police Department: The Buchanan City Police Department's fundamental duty is to serve mankind; to safeguard life and property; to protect the innocent against deception; the weak against oppression or intimidation; the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional Rights of all persons to liberty, equality, and justice. The Buchanan Police Department proudly serves the citizens of the City of Buchanan by providing twenty-four hour, seven days a week, full service police coverage.

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Community Press Release – Berrien County Deeds Office Closure



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County of Berrien Register of Deeds Announces Temporary Office Closure

Submitted by Lora Freehling, Register of Deeds Berrien County

Berrien County, MI ~ July 13, 2023

Berrien County Register of Deeds, Lora L. Freehling, announced today that the office located at the Administration Center, 701 Main Street, St. Joseph, will be temporarily closed on July 26th. She explained the reason for closure is to perform an update to the underlying Microsoft Windows server that is used for the Register of Deeds' land management software system. "Upgrading the server will enhance both performance and security and ultimately allow us to better service customers. The office will be closed to the public until 10 a.m. on Wednesday the 26th of July," Freehling said.

The cutover from the old server to the new will also impact anyone searching land records on the CountyFusion website, regofdeeds.berriencounty.org. "The regofdeeds.berriencounty.org site will be inaccessible on Tuesday, July 25th from approximately 5 to 8 p.m. Users needing to access land records during that time will be able to utilize the Cloud Search." Freehling indicated by visiting the Berrien County Register of Deeds website, <https://berriencounty.org/296/Register-of-Deeds>, and clicking the Land Records Search tab on the side menu bar or by going to this website directly, <https://berrien.mi.publicsearch.us>, users will be able to reach the GovOS Cloud Search website.

Contact the Office of the Register of Deeds at 269.983.7111 xt 8562 for additional information.



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About Berrien County Register of Deeds: The Register of Deeds' office is a constitutional office

established by the Michigan State Legislature. The Register serves as the custodian of documents pertaining to real property in Berrien County. The Register's office pledges to efficiently record documents, provide an accurate index, and safely and securely preserve and protect these records for yesterday's, today's and tomorrow's generations.

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Local Writing – Music Through the Years 1947



Music Through the Years: Part One – 1947

by Garrick Stubblefield

Myself, I was born in 1969, but for this I'm going back to when both my parents were born – in 1947. Now, maybe you want to try to guess what the Billboard Top 10 songs were for the year 1947. You can always check your answers on YouTube [HERE](#) or on Billboard charts [HERE](#). Billboard's first full top 100 list was in 1958, but they have been listing popular music in publications since 1913.

To tell you the truth, when I heard some of the songs in this 1947 list, I knew the music itself but not who sang it. For some of these, I was really amazed to find out not only the title of the song but also the artist. Alright let's get started and see if you agree with (and remember any of) the top 10 songs from 1947, and see if you remember what happened that year or maybe when you first heard it.

One more thing to remember is that I started to truly listen to music when I was roughly 8 years old, and you could've been older or younger than me. But I was just curious to go all the way back to when my parents were

born. LET'S GET ROCK N' ROLLIN!

BILLBOARD TOP 10 SONGS OF 1947:

1. Francis Craig – Near You
2. The Harmonicats – Peg O' My Heart
3. Ted Weems – Heartaches
4. Ray Noble and Buddy Clark – Linda
5. Tex Williams – Smoke, Smoke, Smoke That Cigarette
6. Vaughn Monroe – I Wish I Didn't Love You So
7. The Three Suns – Peg O' My Heart
8. Al Jolson – Anniversary Song
9. Larry Green – Near You
10. Sammy Kaye – That's My Desire

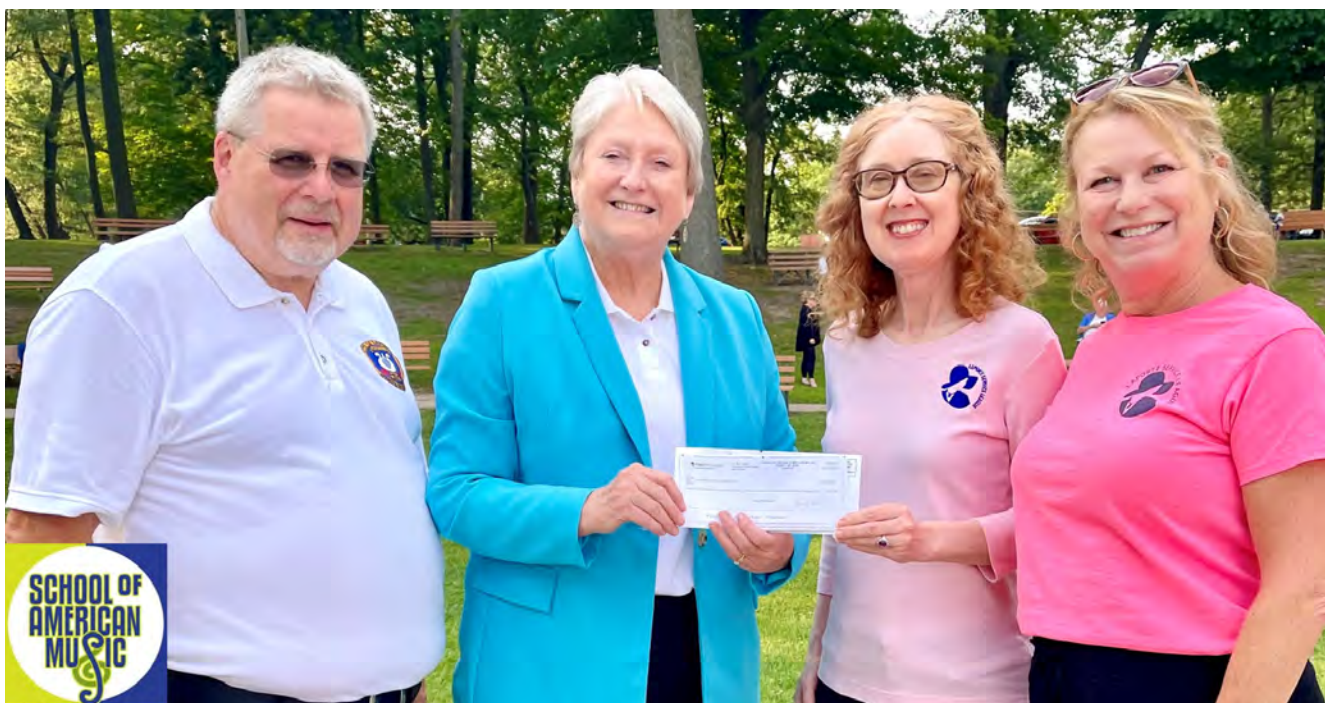
<http://billboardtop100of.com/1947-2/>

https://music.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCW620s1G8GiWkGUXDVbXy_-iuIzcT0Pd

If you have any questions call me at 269 259 0547



Community Press Release – SAM Extends Tuition Promise



School of American Music Extends Tuition Promise to NW Indiana

Submitted by Donna Mitchell, School of American Music Executive Director

The School of American Music (SAM) provides professional-level music instruction to students of all ages with a promise that tuition will be affordable and students who need scholarships will receive them. In addition, 100% scholarships are offered to young clients of the Michigan non-profit Neighbor-by-Neighbor (NxN), with free musical instruments from Drew's Gift of Music. Since its founding in 1932, LaPorte (Indiana) Service League has supported arts, culture and education projects with programming and scholarships.

Today these four organizations announce a collaboration to extend SAM's tuition promise to students from Northwest Indiana. This overcomes a "border" problem for NW Indiana students who want to enroll at the School of American Music (located in Three Oaks, Michigan) because many foundations restrict the use of their funds to local township, county, or state boundaries.

The "border-free" tuition promise is up and running:

1. Apply for music instruction at <https://www.schoolofamericanmusic.com/>
2. NxN clients apply for scholarships at <https://neighborbyneighbor.org/>
3. NW Indiana residents apply at LaPorte Service League <https://www.laporteserviceleague.com/>
4. For more about Drew's Gift of Music: <https://www.drewsgiftofmusic.com/>

Chuck Steck, local contact for Drew's Gift of Music, said: "The partnership SAM has established with LaPorte Service League provides the missing link we need to ensure that we can service music students of all ages and all locations in our region regardless of economic restraints."

Donna M. Mitchell, School of American Music, Executive Director, said: "We are proud to be able to make connections which will ensure that the mission of both School of American Music and LaPorte Service League are lived out in real time and service."



Steck Mitchell Young & Knellers, Photo provided by School of American Music



About School of American Music: The School of American Music was founded by D. Garth Taylor to serve as a music resource in Michiana. Currently serving as President of SAM, Taylor has been joined over the years by Executive Director, Donna M. Mitchell and a full Board of Directors. Their mission is to provide education, performance, and audience opportunities in music and the related arts in the Southwest Michigan area. The School of American Music, located in Three Oaks, Michigan, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The school provides education, performance, and audience opportunities in music and the related arts in the Southwest Michigan area.

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Local Faith – BAMA Meeting July 2023



July BAMA Monthly Meeting Recap

Submitted by Nate Babcock, Buchanan Christian Church Pastor

July 18:

Greetings everyone,

We had a good meeting at Buchanan Christian Church this morning. Those present were: Dave Mitchell, Jan Mitchell, Rebecka Hoyt, Lyndon Azcuna, Tim Douglas, Bill Walters, Jan Walters, Dana Clark, Dan Barz, David Habicht, Brendan Shea, Kevin Haislip, and Nathan Babcock.

Both RAM and the Salvation Army reported an increase in the number of people coming to their ministries for financial assistance. Pray that God will provide for every need.

Many good things continue to happen with Life Plan, and Lyndon reported that they are waiting on the building for the South Bend site to become fully available to them. Please pray for God's guidance and provision in this matter.

Pastor Bill Walters announced that this coming Sunday he will be concluding his ministry at Buchanan First United Methodist Church, as he is now pastoring Faith Global Methodist Church of Buchanan (formerly Faith United Methodist), as well as the church in Pokagon. Please pray for Bill and the congregations involved during this time of transition.

Upcoming Events:

- RAM 2023 Walk-A-Thon: Saturday July 22, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, beginning at the Buchanan Commons.
- First Presbyterian Church of Buchanan: Malawi-Madagascar Elevator Fundraising Luncheon: Sunday July 23rd from 12:00 to 2:00 pm. Entertainment by Madagascar Band.
- St. Paul Lutheran Church: 90th Anniversary Celebration, Outdoor Service, Community Picnic & Car Show. Sunday July 23rd. Worship for all at 9:30 am. Community Picnic & Car Show: 11:00 am – 2:00 pm.
- Buchanan Police Department National Night Out: Tuesday August 1st from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at the McCoy Creek Park (Behind the High School).
- Salvation Army Back to School Backpack Program: August 9-11 between 9 & 11 am or 1 & 3 pm.
- Annual 9/11 Service will be organized by Chaplain Dave Spurlock this year. We hope to have Chaplain Dave present for our August meeting.



About Buchanan Area Ministerial Association: This group is made of different churches in Buchanan. Their page is a great way to stay up to date on different events BAMA is hosting, but more importantly it is a great way to see how God is moving in Buchanan.

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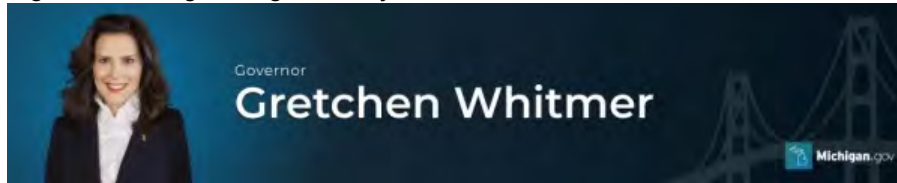
State Press Release – Office of Governor Whitmer Update



Governor Whitmer Establishes Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential

State of Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Opportunity – July 12, 2023

New department will focus on early learning and higher education, improving long-term student outcomes, developing talent, and growing economy.



On Tuesday, Governor Gretchen Whitmer signed an executive order establishing the Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential, or MiLEAP. The new department will be tasked with improving outcomes from preschool through postsecondary so anyone can ‘make it in Michigan.’ MiLEAP will achieve this goal by establishing clear metrics, collaborating with cross-sector leaders at the local, regional, and state level, and developing a shared action plan.

“Every Michigander deserves a path to ‘make it in Michigan’ with strong, lifelong learning support,” said Governor Whitmer. “For too long, we have thought of education as K-12, but we know that’s not good enough. I’m establishing MiLEAP today because we need to get every kid started early, in pre-K, so they succeed in kindergarten, have paths after graduation to get higher education tuition-free, and forge strong partnerships with our employers so they can get a good-paying, high-skill, and in-demand job. MiLEAP will help our learning ecosystem take the jump to the next level as we grow our economy and build a brighter future for Michigan.”

As a department, MiLEAP will partner with the Michigan Department of Education and State Board of Education, complementing their long-term planning efforts. The new department will also work with the new Growing Michigan Together Council as they look at ways to strengthen preschool to postsecondary learning while growing the state’s economy and population.

“I am excited to be the first to applaud Governor Whitmer for establishing this department,” said state Representative Samantha Steckloff, Chair of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education (D-Farmington Hills). “Pulling together our state’s dedicated continuing education resources into one centralized hub is good for our students, and good for our economies. Through MiLEAP, we will be able to better attract, educate, and retain the skilled workforce needed for Michigan to lead throughout this century and beyond.”

“We are thrilled by Gov. Whitmer’s MiLEAP announcement and her administration’s continued commitment to creating opportunities for every student, regardless of their ZIP code, age or income level,” said MEA President-elect Chandra Madaffer, a longtime teacher from Oakland County. “Education is a lifelong pursuit, and it’s important that we provide the scaffolding needed to assist students and parents every step along the way. MiLEAP will help create stronger pathways to success for students from preschool through higher education and help them realize their full potential.”

“This is a big opportunity for young children, their families, and the early care and education workforce, which is the backbone of Michigan’s economy,” said Dawne Bell, CEO, Michigan Early Childhood Investment Corporation (ECIC). “We are so thankful for Governor Whitmer’s leadership in unifying and aligning these resources and services and for her commitment to ensuring Michigan families have access to equitable, high-quality, and affordable early care and education. At ECIC, we believe learning begins at birth. We look forward to collaborating with MiLEAP to further capacity and increase investments in the earliest years.”

“The new Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential (MiLEAP) will empower all of us to align the necessary partnerships, resources, and relationships to ensure every Michigan child has an amazing future. Together, with MiLEAP, we can give the same care and consideration to each decision we make as if it were to impact the future of our own children,” said Dr. John Severson, Executive Director of the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Districts.

“Out-of-school time programs across Michigan provide critical educational opportunities for our state’s youth – this new department’s focus on unlocking our children’s potential will deliver more and better of these

opportunities statewide,” said Erin Skene-Pratt, executive director of the Michigan Afterschool Partnership. “Before and after school programs and summer learning offerings are important for student success, so fitting this work together in Mi-LEAP with early childhood through post-secondary attainment is a smart, strategic step that will benefit Michigan’s youth.”



Image provided by Office of Gov.
Whitmer

What does MiLEAP mean for my kid?

When they’re 2...

MiLEAP will help families with young children get access to quality, affordable child care by coordinating resources for Michigan’s youngest learners. Then, the 2-year-old will enroll in free pre-K thanks to investments in the recent, bipartisan budget that takes steps to deliver pre-K for all kids at age 4. This will help ensure parents are confident their child will show up at kindergarten ready to thrive.

When they’re 12...

MiLEAP will ensure public school students in Michigan have the community-support they need to reach their full potential. For example, MiLEAP will allow 12-year-olds to have access to before and after school programming that is affordable and connected to their interests. Instead of leaving students with questions about the education they will need after high school, MiLEAP will help them learn about future career paths during their after-school program.

When they’re 22...

MiLEAP will create low or no-cost paths for students to earn an affordable education in an in-demand field. The department will help them get the support they need on campus to graduate on-time and pursue a fulfilling career right here in Michigan.

MiLEAP Purpose

For far too many Michiganders, opportunity is still connected to who you know, how much money is in your pocket, or where you live. This must change. MiLEAP will ensure all available resources, data, and funds are aligned around a single vision—building an education system that can support the economy of the future and help anyone make it in Michigan.

MiLEAP Goals

There are three broad goals:

- Add capacity in our early learning team, so every child is ready for kindergarten.
- Accelerate progress toward our Sixty by 30 goal, so everyone can earn a skill certificate or degree after high school, tuition-free.
- Prioritize community, regional, and state partnerships that help our students succeed.

MiLEAP Structure

MiLEAP will be led by a Director, appointed by the governor. The Director will join the governor’s Cabinet. To focus on the three topline goals above, MiLEAP will be comprised of three offices:

1. Office of Early Childhood Education: lead statewide efforts to ensure that all young children meet their developmental milestones and enter kindergarten with the tools and ability to succeed in school. Oversee programs

and policies statewide related to early learning and care, family engagement and education, pre-K, and child care.

2. Office of Higher Education: lead statewide efforts to ensure that every Michigander has the skill certificate or degree they need to prosper, and help employers hire the talent they need to succeed. The Office will lead administration of state student financial aid to lower the cost of college and assist prospective students in making decisions about postsecondary education. Also work to increase college enrollment, graduation, and attainment rates.

3. Office of Education Partnerships: lead statewide efforts to build and sustain partnerships that enhance educational opportunities and outcomes throughout the state from preschool through postsecondary education. Broaden perspectives represented in decision-making, including by providing staffing and support to commissions appointed by the Governor. Expand access to programs that extend learning beyond the classroom (before school, after school, summer programming, employer-partnerships).

All three Offices will collaborate with other State of Michigan departments and entities, as needed, to achieve their goals.

To view the full executive order click [here](#).

Sincerely,



Gretchen Whitmer
Governor of Michigan



Local Business – WBC Upcoming Events and Resources



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Berrien County, MI ~ July 14, 2023

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SATURDAY, JULY 22 ~ 10AM-2PM
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A note and invitation from owner, Aiye Akhigbe:

Come celebrate the opening of our new store and licensed commercial kitchen July 21-23 at 11801 Pucker Street, Niles, MI. On Friday, July 21, local dignitaries will be on hand from 10am – noon for a special ribbon cutting. Grand opening festivities continue on Saturday and Sunday, July 22 and 23, from 10am to 2pm each day.

Hourly raffles (purchase necessary) will be held for delicious jams, jellies, syrup & swag and a special raffle (for a Sticky Spoons gift box) for those purchasing \$100 worth of products. We will be joined by NS Cosmetics, Barkin' Bakery, The Sweet Spot St. Joe, King of Kettle, Bill's Coolers (veteran-owned), and Goddess of the Moon Leatherworks. Cotton Gin Smokers will be handing out free samples of ribs glazed with some of our unique flavors.

No vendor spots available. Beware of scams!

Click [HERE](#) for more info.



LEARN, KNOW, GROW: INTRO TO SMALL BUSINESS SERVICES
TUESDAY, JULY 25 ~ 3PM
 Online

Join our ONLINE orientation of the Women's Business Center (WBC) at Cornerstone Alliance team and gain knowledge of the resources they provide. We will introduce you to WBC programs and services offered to entrepreneurs to help start, grow or sustain their companies. This ONLINE course is a prerequisite for eligibility for other small business services at Cornerstone Alliance.

Topics discussed include:

- WBC Resources & Programs
- Lean Canvas Business Plan Model
- Access to Capital & Funding Sources

We give attendees tools to help guide them on their journey, better understand what next steps to take with their business, and how the WBC can assist.

If you need assistance, please reach out to us at wbc@cstonealliance.org.

To learn more, visit cornerstonewbc.com.

Click [HERE](#) for more info on this event.



THIRD THURSDAYS: SUMMER BASH presented by Honor Credit Union

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10 ~ 5-7PM

Silver Harbor Brewing Company, 721 Pleasant St, St. Joseph MI 49085

It's time for the WBC's most popular networking event of the year! The Women's Business Center at Cornerstone Alliance invites you to join us for Third Thursdays: Summer BASH presented by Honor Credit Union – the WBC's premier networking event! Connect with small business owners while enjoying one of Southwest Michigan's top breweries-Silver Harbor Brewing Company!

Your admission fee includes food from Silver Harbor and a chance to win prizes. \$5 in advance, \$10 at the door. Cash bar.

If you are interested in providing a giveaway item from your business, contact Jackie via email at jjates@cstonealliance.org no later than Friday, August 4th.

Preregistering is highly encouraged!

To learn more about the WBC visit CornerstoneWBC.com

NOTE: Only cash will be accepted at the door. No tickets will be sold at the Cornerstone Alliance office.

Click [HERE](#) for more info on this event.



We Want Your Feedback!

We are planning some upcoming workshops and would like to know which days and times will work best for

you!

Email JYates@cstonealliance.org with your preferences.

In Case You Missed It...

- 2023 April 27 : Sesshin Pet Grooming & Spa Opens in Baroda ([link](#))
- 2023 March 01 : 42N Naturals Celebrates Grand Opening in St. Joseph ([link](#))
- 2022 October 19 : Chi Ishobak, Inc. Partners with WBC to Assist Tribal Entrepreneurs ([link](#))
- 2022 October 11 : WBC at Cornerstone Alliance Announces Kristen Patzer as Director ([link](#))
- 2022 June 24 : Celebrating New Business Start Jovani's Kitchen ([link](#))



About Cornerstone Alliance:

Cornerstone Alliance is a non-profit, investor-governed economic development organization. Our focus is to increase employment opportunities, private sector capital investments and the local tax base in Michigan's Great Southwest. We offer specialized business services particularly in economically distressed areas.

About Cornerstone Alliance Small Business Services:

We provide technical, business, and financial assistance to small businesses with an emphasis on income disadvantaged and women owned businesses. The Women's Business Center at Cornerstone Alliance is funded in part through a Cooperative Agreement with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

More information on their website: www.cornerstonewbc.com.

Community Press Release – BCRD New 4-Way Stop



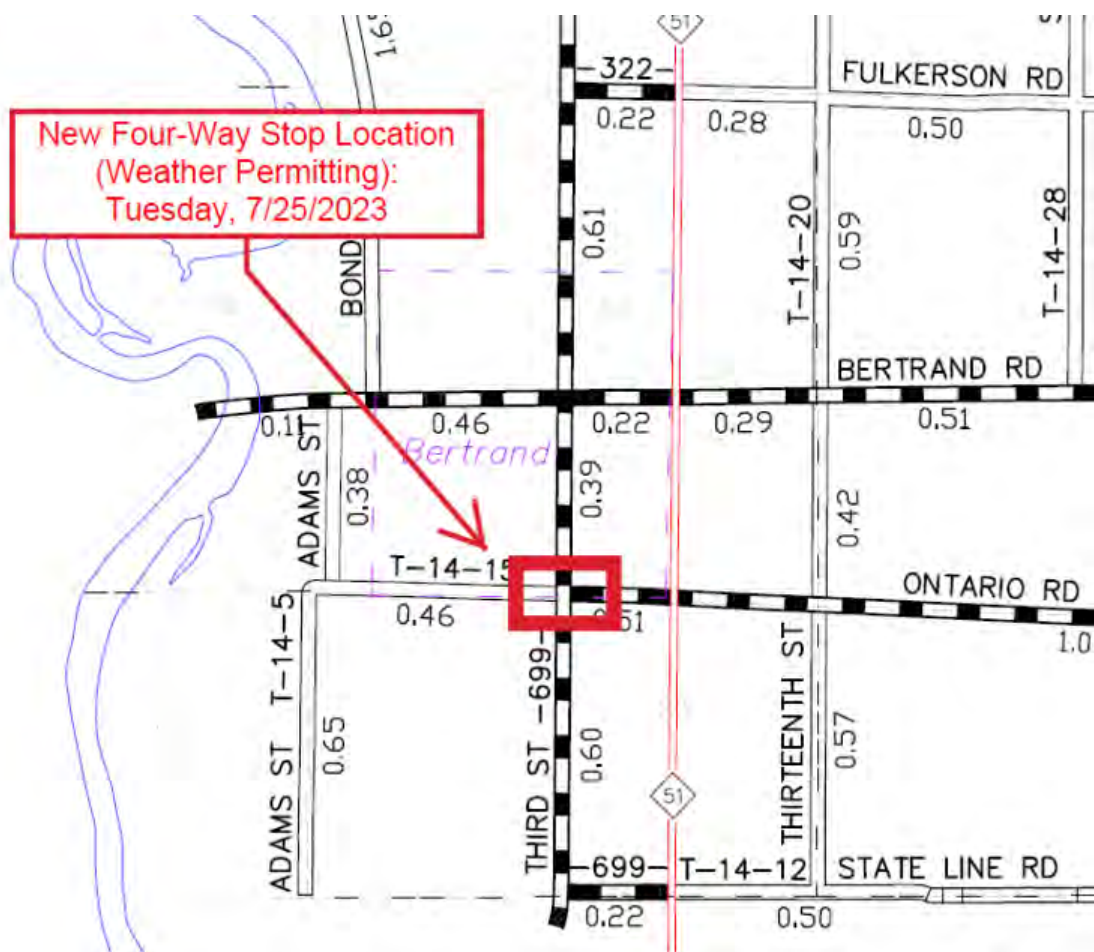
NEW 4-WAY STOP INSTALLATION COMING TO ONTARIO ROAD AND THIRD STREET (NILES TOWNSHIP)

Berrien County Road Department – Berrien County, MI

July 21, 2023 – NEW 4-WAY STOP COMING TO ONTARIO ROAD AND THIRD STREET

WEATHER PERMITTING THIS WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023

- **TOWNSHIP:** Niles Township
- **LOCATION:** Ontario Road and Third Street Intersection
- **CLOSEST CITIES:** Niles
- **START DATE:** Tuesday, July 25, 2023 (weather permitting)
- **PROJECT:** A recent traffic study for the intersection of Ontario Road and Third Street determined that all criteria was met to become a four-way stop.
- **TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS:** After new stop signage has been installed, Third Street traffic will have to come to a complete stop prior to entering the intersection.
- This change will mean that traffic from all four directions will need to come to a complete stop, prior to proceeding through the intersection.
- *Driver Reminder: Be aware that Road Department staff will be working in and along the road to implement this traffic pattern change on Tuesday, 7/25/2023 (weather permitting).*



BCRD New 4-Way Stop Location Map

[Full One Page PDF with Location Map HERE](#)



BCRD Graphic – New 4-Way Stop Location



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.

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A Note from the Editor – Issue 56



A Note from the Editor – Issue 56

by Rebecka Hoyt, Editor

Welcome to the 56th issue! This month sure has flown by and I hope that many of you had a thrill of a time at “Thrill on the Hill!” Yes, you may have seen our publisher, Jen Garry, and I volunteer at the ticket booth last Saturday morning. It was neat to see all of the unique inflatables that you took up the hill.

As you know, we recently had our first printed edition out in the community for you to grab free of charge. Those locations were/are: Buchanan Area Senior Center, Buchanan City Hall, Buchanan District Library, Harding's Friendly Markets in Buchanan, and the new member center of Honor Credit Union on Main Street. We're not planning on ordering additional copies of the first printed edition. However, we do plan to have more copies of the second printed edition available when it comes out around September 7th. If you would like to help us afford these printed editions, please consider giving a donation, advertise with us, and/or subscribe so you can get them delivered to your mailbox. You can do all of that and more right from our website at this link: [click here](#).

I would like to draw your attention in one more way to help support us: Come to our BAKE SALE at the Buchanan Farmers' Market NEXT Saturday, July 29 from 8am – 1pm. Sales from the bake sale will go towards printed editions. Let's hope it will be a beautiful day.

With that being said, enjoy this online issue and please help spread the word about our printed editions. Feel free to email us at buchananchronicle@att.net or call 269.697.9874 with any questions.

Happy Reading,
Rebecka Hoyt

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Remembering – Issue 56


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Name	Age	Born	Died
James Wellington	86	August 16, 1936	July 16, 2023
Floyd Thomas "Tom" Hollingsworth Jr.	53	April 23, 1970	July 15, 2023
Robert D. Cole	68	November 9, 1954	July 14, 2023
Leonard J. Huebner	69	January 1, 1954	July 13, 2023
Jeanene Luvae Swanson	90	August 12, 1932	July 13, 2023
Ivelise "Ive" Boynton	98	January 22, 1925	July 11, 2023
Kevin Clem	64	April 5, 1959	July 11, 2023
John F. Williamson	83	March 1, 1940	July 11, 2023
Sandra Sue Craig	78	October 2, 1944	July 10, 2023
Fred English	79	May 6, 1944	July 10, 2023
Michael "Buddha" P. Potokar	39	December 22, 1983	July 10, 2023
David "Butch" Nelson Beadle Jr.	71	October 7, 1951	July 7, 2023
Gary Alan Skinner	43	June 30, 1980	July 6, 2023
Dorothy Elizabeth Morris	93	March 4, 1930	July 5, 2023
Kirt Anthony Shepard	30	July 7, 1992	July 5, 2023
Richard Allen Carter	78	March 4, 1945	July 3, 2023
Adam Preston Lingle	49	November 18, 1973	July 3, 2023

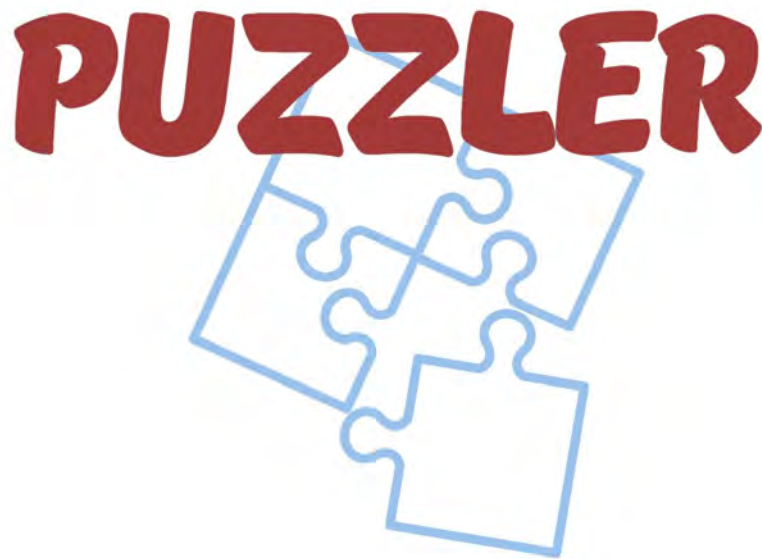
We wish to respectfully honor the memory of anyone we lose in the Buchanan community. Please do let us know any corrections or additions to the list.

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

Starks Family Funeral Homes – Swem
www.starksfamilyfh.com/swem-chapel
269-695-6881
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Puzzler Page – Issue 56



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by Garrick Stubblefield

Hello all and I hope you all have been having fun with the puzzles I've been doing for you and the chronicle. It has been a very good experience for me to do them because if you remember all these puzzles are coming from my head. I'm excited to introduce you to a couple of new ones. I will continue to put you in the thinking mode. If you're interested in getting a whole series of them please contact me by phone and leave a message. My number is 269-256-0547. My proceeds go as follows: 40% goes to the chronicle 40% goes to our local veterans and 20% goes to offset the supply cost. 1-\$1.50 / 3-\$4 / 6-\$7.50 / 12-\$10. Also if you can text me at this number and give me your feedback. I will continue to make these puzzles for you to enjoy. Thank you for the support.

Puzzler Page

PUZZLE 1 – REDUCING THE WORD

- 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.
- Words:
- 6 Letter –
 - SMILES
 -
 -
 -
 -
 -
- 5 Letter –
 - SMART
 -
 -
 -
 -
- 4 Letter –
 - WARM
 -
 -
 -
- 3 Letter –
 - TIP
 -
 -

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. One possible set of answers is on Page 2 – Puzzles Answer Page.

PUZZLE 2 – KNOWING YOUR STATES AND CAPITALS

- Instructions:
 - Riddles below are clues to State or Capital names.
- Clues:
 - STATES:
 - These 2 States have 1 CONSONANT and 3 VOWELS : ____ & ____.
 - CAPITALS:
 - This Capital is a RIVER that runs through WASHINGTON STATE : _____.

PUZZLE 3 – 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.
- Code:

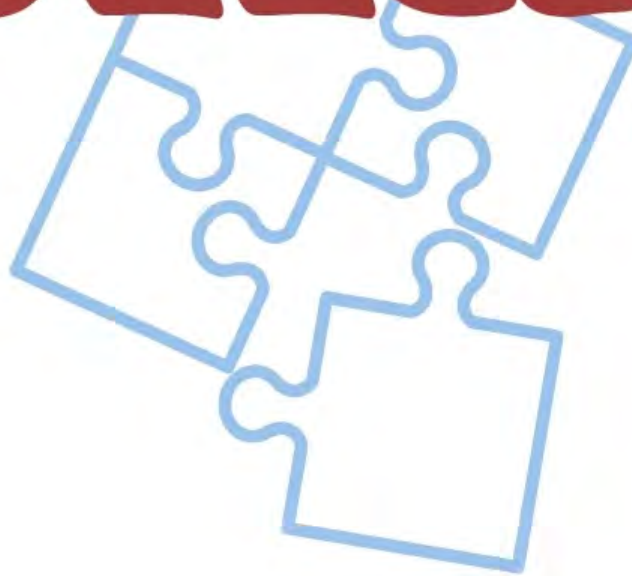
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1. CHANGE THE 7 TO A 4;
2. CHANGE THE 4 TO A 6;
3. CHANGE THE 5 TO A 1;
4. THE FINAL 3 DIGIT CODE: The answer is the DATE we observe FLAG DAY.

Thank you for playing along with our puzzles in this issue!

Follow to Page 2 next for all the Answers!

PUZZLER



Puzzles 56 – Answer Page

PUZZLE 1 – REDUCING THE WORD

- 6 Letter –
 - SMILES
 - MILES
 - SLIM
 - MIL
 - LI
 - I

- 5 Letter –
 - SMART
 - MAST
 - SAT
 - AS
 - A

- 4 Letter –
 - WARM
 - ARM
 - MA
 - A

- 3 Letter –
 - TIP
 - IT
 - I

PUZZLE 2 – KNOWING YOUR STATES AND CAPITALS

- STATES:
 - These 2 States have 1 CONSONANT and 3 VOWELS : OHIO & IOWA.
- CAPITALS:
 - This Capital is a RIVER that runs through WASHINGTON STATE : COLUMBIA.

PUZZLE 3 – CRACK THE CODE

457 to 614

PUZZLER

