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## 70s...in November?



What is a person to do when the temperatures soar into the 60s and 70s during the first week of November in Wisconsin? Grab the golf clubs and head over to Quit Quit Oc Golf Course to play a few holes. That is what these folks did, some of them even comfortably golfing in shorts. Many people took advantage of the record-setting weather.

Pam Mathes photos





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# Sharing our Journeys

By Carol Edler Baumann  
with contributions from Richard Baumann



## Irregular Christmas

In this chaotic world of vengeful politics, intolerance, lack of respect for law and order, and the curse of a seemingly uncontrollable virus, is there any room at all for “peace on earth, good will to mankind”?

Can this “irregular” Christmas become a “regular” Christmas?  
Can we just have a “normal” Christmas?

I don’t think this Christmas or probably those in the future can be anything other than a bit “irregular.”

Kind of a depressing thought, huh? Well, don’t despair—perhaps not all is lost. You hopefully have good memories of past Christmases. Granted you might not be able to replicate those but those memories can help you adjust to today’s reality and build a Christmas that will be a memory preserved for the future. So you ask, “How do I do that?”

I certainly don’t want to palm myself off as a spiritual counselor or a psychologist who can unravel the profusion of “irregular” times. But here a few suggestions:

Put your personality back into Christmas—don’t just send a pre-printed Christmas or worse yet an email greeting. Take time to actually write a personal note (please, no long, boring Christmas letter). Outline a few events that have taken place over the last year. Ask a few questions that suggest they reply—get a real person-to-person correspondence going.

Continue to listen to Christmas

songs to get you in a receptive frame of mind—although this may be hard to do when stores, etc. keep repeating and repeating. I love “White Christmas” but not 30 or more days in a row.

Take some time and select some easy recipes and do a little made-from-scratch meals, desserts, cookies, etc. Approach it as a fun activity and not a dreaded chore—make it something memorable. (Yes, it’s easy to buy ready-made dough and slice and bake but what real satisfaction do you get from that?

Unfortunately, entertaining at home is probably not practical. No more crowded office parties or other similar herd-style get-togethers—you probably never really enjoyed them anyhow.

If you can’t attend church services you can attend via TV—usually on Sunday there are a number of channels that show services. You’ll miss the “collection” but you can always send a check to your church.

Try to be creative and do some things that you and your family will enjoy, something that will build your memory bank for happy thoughts in the future.

Our neighbor has a sign on their lawn and I think it embodies the true Christmas spirit:

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# Wahl streams culture into companies

By Mark Sherry

Anna Wahl has worked in human resources literally from coast to coast—from San Diego to Washington, D.C.—but it is easy to see how much she is enjoying being back in the Midwest and especially in Elkhart Lake.

The owner of CultureStream HR Solutions LLC—one of the newest members of the Elkhart Lake Chamber of Commerce—said she loves the area so much she almost wants to keep it a secret. “I don’t want to tell people how great it is,” she said with a smile.

But Wahl is spreading the word about having started her own business at the start of this year, taking over 15 years of experience in the areas of human resources and business operations management and turning them into CultureStream HR Solutions LLC.

Wahl said she has had past associates tell her that she “streams culture into companies.” Having grown up sailing on Lake Michigan with her father and having a love of the water, Wahl said CultureStream was the perfect name for her business.

It is a business that she said she did not expect to be running this soon. “I literally didn’t think I’d be doing this right now,” Wahl said, adding that she expected it could be 10 years down the road before she owned her own business. Prior to starting CultureStream HR Solutions LLC, she was the director of human resources at Dev Technology in Washington, D.C. where she successfully led HR and supported the organization both onsite and virtually over the last six years. People with whom she worked said if she could support a business virtually for several years from over 800 miles away, she could do that for clients anywhere on her own.

She also could not have expected to start her own business and then almost immediately see the world deal with a pandemic. “I’ve had some clients, which is great,” Wahl said, adding that it is impossible to know how much her business might have grown by now had it not been for the pandemic.

That growth should come over time. Asked about her five-year vision for CultureStream, Wahl said, “I would like to grow and increase the impact of CultureStream.”

Wahl is experienced in all aspects of human resources and brings those skills to the companies for which she serves. Those services include the following:

■ **Company Culture & Employee Engagement:** People often spend more time with their coworkers than their families, and employees expect more from the workplaces of today. CultureStream helps businesses connect their culture through their organization, resulting in happier and more productive team members. This saves organizations money through improved productivity and reduced re-



Anna Wahl

cruiting costs.

■ **Recruiting and Onboarding:** Finding the right team members to help a company grow and succeed can be a challenging effort. CultureStream engages with communities to find and connect businesses with the best resources and help integrate them into the organization. Getting new team members integrated quickly will reduce downtime, saving companies money.

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■ **Strategic Planning:** As companies grows, their approach to human resources will change and grow too. CultureStream will help companies establish a plan to continue to offer opportunities for team members to engage across their organization.

One of the tools which Wahl uses is the fact that she is a DISC certified practitioner.

DISC stands for dominance, influence, steadiness, and conscientiousness and helps assess how people like to communicate within an organization. Wahl said her training in DISC is a big part of creating long-term visions for companies.

Wahl has worked at companies large and small and brings that same flexibility to CultureStream. She said one of her niches is helping small companies grow, including having worked at a company which experienced exponential growth. She also enjoys putting human resources systems in place for small companies which had nothing in place prior to her arrival. Companies with five or more employees can get help from CultureStream, Wahl said.

Wahl said she believes her success in human resources is linked to her approach. She said she does not come into a company and tell them what they have to do. “I truly listen,” she said. “I come in with an absolutely open mind.” She said she does have a lot of ideas but first gains the trust of the people with whom she will be working.

Throughout her career, Wahl also has witnessed the power of mentors. While at Dev Technology, she created a successful, powerful, and impactful mentorship

program which assisted team members across the organization to thrive in their careers. Prior to that she was the director of human resources at Amira Pharmaceuticals, a biotech company in San Diego, California. At Amira, she was responsible for building and improving the operating systems and processes, gaining the respect of senior leadership for her business results. She also was pivotal in maintaining company morale and contributing to successful post-merger integration.

Her business operations experience comes from working for Marriott International and Starbucks Corporation. She holds a Professional Human Resource Certification (SRHM-CP) and a Bachelor of Arts in Pre Law with a minor in Psychology from San Diego State University.

Now Wahl has brought her skills to Elkhart Lake, yet she can still serve businesses in any corner of the world through virtual connections which have become only more commonplace during the pandemic. “‘Connect your people to your culture’ is a tag link I like to use,” she said.

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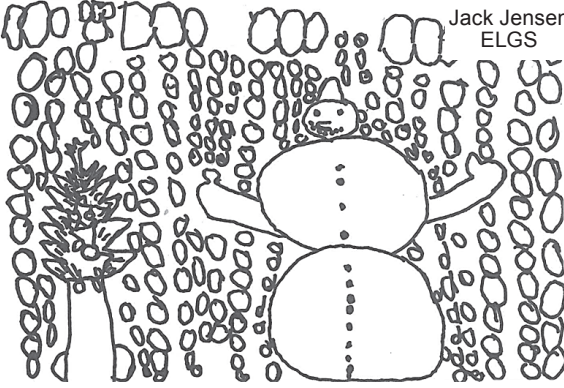
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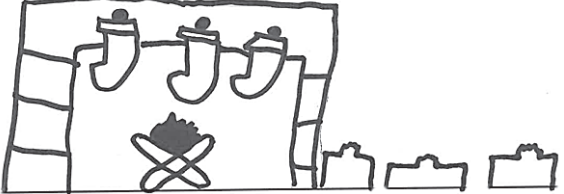
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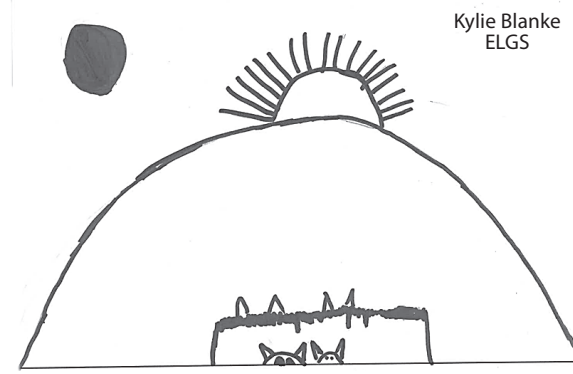
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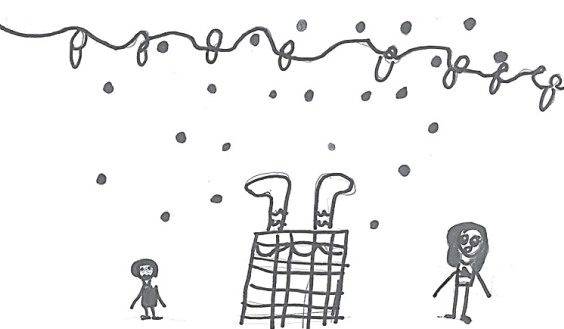


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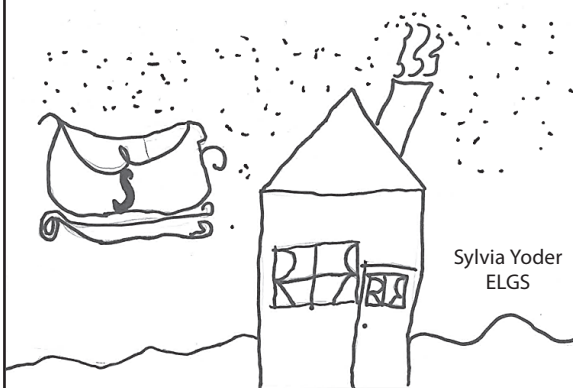
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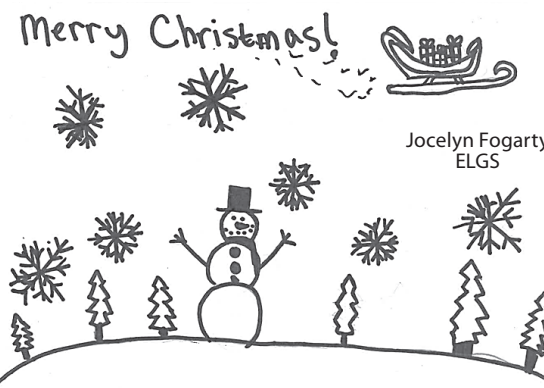
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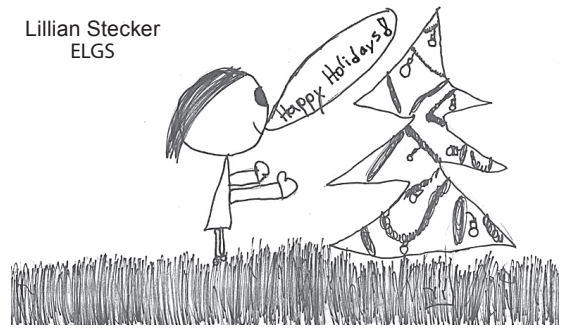


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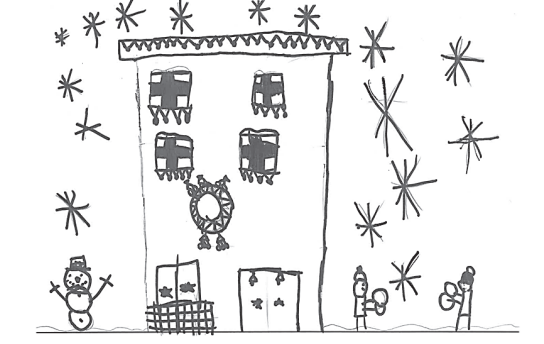


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# LTC gets training grants

Lakeshore Technical College has received two competitive grants totaling \$750,000 to support training for students and community members involved in carrying out emergency response activities.

Lakeshore received the funds through its membership in the Midwest Consortium for Hazardous Waste Worker Training.

“We are pleased to receive this funding in support of the critical safety training we provide to students in our emergency response programs and emergency responders currently working in our community,” said Lakeshore President Dr. Paul Carlsen.

A five-year award of \$740,000 will be distributed through annual \$148,000 payments to Lakeshore. The funding will support curriculum development, technical and administrative support, and delivery of hazardous waste worker training programs, as well as purchases including air monitoring and confined space rescue equipment. In addition, a training equipment storage trailer—which allows Lakeshore to deliver courses off campus to local businesses and organizations—will be replaced.

A \$10,000 grant will fund development and delivery of training related to COVID-19. Those who will receive training include students in LTC’s criminal justice, fire, and emergency medical services programs, as well as emergency response team members in the LTC district. Funding also will go toward purchasing personal protective equipment (PPE), cleaning supplies, and other materials required for training.

The Midwest Consortium for Hazardous Waste Worker Training has been receiving funding through the National Institutes of Health since 1992. Others in the 13-member consortium include the University of Illinois, University of Cincinnati, and Emergency Response Solutions International.

Each year more than 10,000 people enroll in courses at Lakeshore Technical College. They rely on LTC for job preparation, to earn a degree, upgrade a specialized skill, train as an apprentice, or seek a high school equivalency.

LTC is a nationally recognized technical college. The college was ranked the #2 two-year college in the nation for adult learners by Washington Monthly, #20 in the nation for two-year college educational outcomes by WalletHub.com, a top-150 two-year college for the fifth consecutive time by the Aspen Institute, and a top 10 Bellwether Award finalist for two consecutive years.

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# Ornament fundraiser slated


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These commemorative ornaments are available by making a \$20 donation to ELGEF. This is a perfect way to make a contribution in honor or memory of someone special, or to give a collectible stocking stuffer. After the holidays, the ELG School District’s newspaper, the Resorter Reporter, will publish an acknowledgement listing those who have contributed and in whose honor or memory the donations


have been made.

This year’s featured ornament—designed by 11th grade student Otto Quasius—is the 16th in a series of ornaments created by students in the ELG District. Otto is the son of Emily Hein and Scott Quasius. His art teacher is Erin Glynn.

Ornaments are available at both school offices and the National Exchange Bank offices in Glenbeulah and Elkhart Lake. If you missed the first ornaments in the series, you can round out your collection for an extra \$5 donation for each, while supplies last. If you have any questions or would like to order an ornament, please contact Ann Buechel Haack at 876-3381. Add to your collection or start now.



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The program is called the Christmas Gift Tree and Christmas Gift Tree Plus.

The program has enjoyed overwhelming success over these years. Hundreds of children's Christmases were brightened through these giving efforts, with thousands of dollars distributed to community families in need.

On Saturday, Nov. 21, Grace Lutheran planned to erect and decorate four trees at Off the Rail, National Exchange Bank, Vintage Elkhart Lake, and Grace Lutheran Church.

The process for the community to help out with the gift trees is to go to one of the locations and participate as follows:

- 1) Take a child's ornament off the tree.
- 2) Purchase an age-appropriate gift.
- 3) Wrap the gift.
- 4) Securely attach the ornament to the package.
- 5) Return the gift to Grace Lutheran Church, or the location the ornament was taken.

These steps should be completed by

Sunday, Dec. 20 so that the contributions may be made available for pickup.

While many families appreciate the gifts for their children, they also have other needs, such as food and gas. This is where the Christmas Gift Plus program comes into play.

To participate in the "Plus" program, simply go to any of the four participating locations. Take a "gift card" ornament from the tree. Purchase a \$25 gift card at the business of choice that will provide either gas or groceries as designated on the "gift card" ornament. Attach the ornament to the gift card and return it to Grace Lutheran or the location where you selected the ornament by Dec. 20.

Elkhart Lake has shown its generosity through these programs and stepped forward once again in 2019 to help 28 families in Elkhart Lake and Glenbeulah.

Thanks in advance for your help and support of these programs.

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# Administrator gives COVID update

Dear ELGS Community,

Nov. 2 marked the end of the first quarter for the ELG School District, during which we were able to maintain in-person instruction for our students the entire time.

Every day staff and students rise to the challenge as all work hard to balance keeping students and staff safe with providing the best possible educational experience paired with an outlet to meet emotional and social needs. We believe being able to learn on-site is the absolute best plan for the majority of our students, and we continue to work hard to achieve that in a safe way.

As been reported in the news, especially during this current month, the number of positive COVID-19 cases has risen dramatically in the state. This is also reflective of Sheboygan County. While we have had positive cases at each of our building levels since the beginning of the school year, we have been fortunate to be able to keep the number of identified close contacts to a small number, and at times, to none at all. Credit must be given to our staff, the building administration and to our students. They all want very much to remain on-site, so they are following the protocols and procedures put in place to make this happen. Because we have a smaller school population, we have the ability to social distance in most of the school settings. This ability to social distance has really helped to minimize the number of students and staff who need to be quarantined as a result of being identified as a close contact to an eventu-

al positive case at school. However, this is not possible in all situations. We are doing all we can to provide a COVID-safe environment, but realistically cannot guarantee it to be COVID-free.

Beginning with our first case, each incident involving a positive case of a student and/or staff member has been analyzed to identify further practices that could possibly be implemented to mitigate the spread of the virus within our school and also to minimize the number of students/staff who are exposed to, and identified, as close contacts (within a six-foot distance of a person who tested positive for more than 15 minutes in a 24-hour period during the school day). Taking each case as a “learning” experience has helped us improve on the practices we had already put in place. We knew going into this year there was going to be a “learning curve” as much of the information we know about the virus changes as more is learned and shared. As such, we need to remain flexible in our approach at school.

However, keeping our students and staff safe while at school accounts for only a small part of the total hours of their day. What we are finding is the majority of our positive cases and the identification of close contacts that need to be quarantined are NOT happening due to exposure at school, but from contacts outside the school day—from family contacts and/or those from friends, relatives, social events, etc. If we want to continue to have our staff teach and students learn on-site, as a community we need to do all we can to help

## Letter emphasizes safety steps

Education leaders throughout Sheboygan County recently joined in sending a letter to area families urging cooperation in trying to curb the spread of COVID-19.

Portions of the letter said, “COVID-19 has uprooted lives and regular routines. It has made life more difficult practically, financially and emotionally for many, if not all families....

“Since the beginning of the school year, the Sheboygan County community at large has seen a 365 percent increase in COVID-19 cases and is now experiencing an average of 105 new ac-

tive cases a day over the past two weeks with a case rate of 1,461.8 per 100,000 residents. As of Oct. 20, our local hospital systems reported approximately 80 percent capacity of hospital bed use and 83 percent of our ICU beds were in use....

“We implore our communities to diligently and vigilantly follow health and safety guidelines. Social distancing, avoiding large group gatherings, face coverings and frequent hand washing are key components for maintaining instruction inside of our schools.... We all need to do our part.”

stop the spread of this disease. To us at school, this is not political—it is practical and it is necessary. We need everyone to practice those things that have been encouraged to help slow the spread—washing hands; limiting social gatherings and practicing social distancing; staying home when sick; wearing masks/ facial coverings; and for our parents, keeping school updated on health situations involving students who are showing symptoms, are quarantined, and/or tested positive.

While we may not be able to affect the rates in the state, by working together, we can help affect the rates for those who make up the ELG School District community.

Together, our choices can help make a huge impact on our students. ELGS

is not alone in this plea for cooperation from the larger community. Please find included in this edition a letter for your review written in cooperation with the Sheboygan County Division of Public Health and endorsed by Sheboygan County educational leaders representing public and private schools and institutions of higher education.

Working together, we can make a positive difference. We want to continue to keep our schools and Child Care open for our staff and teachers—and also our area business/community partners! Your cooperation, support, and any/all efforts to do so would be so very much appreciated.

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People are being asked to make “Happy Pictures” for Lemons of Love Chemo Care Packages sent to people impacted by cancer.

# Cancer support organization finds new home in Plymouth

Since 2104, Lemons of Love has been making lemonade for people impacted by cancer.

A 501(c)(3) organization, Lemons of Love was founded by Jill Swanson Peltier when she was diagnosed with late-stage colon cancer. Determined to make lemonade from her diagnosis, and inspired by a gift from a friend, Jill began making care packages to share with others during her own treatment. Today, Lemons of Love delivers care packages and makes moments for people impacted by cancer all over the world.

While Lemons of Love started in Illinois, it has been steadily growing its Wisconsin presence over the last few years. When it recently established a partnership with Advocate Aurora Health, they knew they needed a central Wisconsin hub to support care package deliveries. They now have a new home in downtown Plymouth.

Located at 607 Eastern Ave., this new space will allow them to support 17 Aurora Cancer Centers and all the Froedtert Cancer Centers throughout Wisconsin. The new home of Lemons of Love will be a place for the community to come together to fill packages, host small fundraising events, and help the organization grow its

presence in Wisconsin.

Over the next three months, Lemons of Love will be building out its space. Organizers said they look forward to welcoming area businesses to join them in sharing love with those in cancer treatment.

Check out the progress at <https://give.classy.org/LemonadeStandWI>.

Lemons of Love officials also are putting out the call for people to produce “Happy Pictures” which are included in the Lemons of Love Chemo Care Packages. Here are the instructions for making Happy Pictures:

- Draw a colorful picture with happy images—think flowers, rainbows, hearts, smiles, animals, etc. (Please no holiday pictures as we don’t know what people celebrate.)
- Just draw! You don’t need to use any words. But if you do, please do not use words or phrases such as “get better,” “feel better,” “sorry,” or “cancer.”
- When you finish your picture, use a crayon or pencil to put your first name and age on the back.
- Contact [maren@lemonsoflove.org](mailto:maren@lemonsoflove.org) for pickup, drop-off, or mailings.
- Lemons of Love will put a Happy Picture in one of their chemo care packages.

Thanks for reading the Depot Dispatch!

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Nature, however, continues to face increasing pressures from urban development, changing climate, pollution, etc. For this reason, Glacial Lakes Conservancy (GLC) was founded nearly 25 years ago with the mission to “Permanently preserve and protect land and water resources

within the Lake Michigan basin for future generations.” The need to protect land and water is just as important now as ever. Land owner requests for conservation of their special land continues to increase as well as the need for more public open spaces.

Please consider a year-end donation to Glacial Lakes Conservancy, your local land trust in Sheboygan County. We are excited to announce that this year we have a donor who will match every dollar we raise by Dec. 31, 2020! Please take advantage of this chance to double your donation impact!

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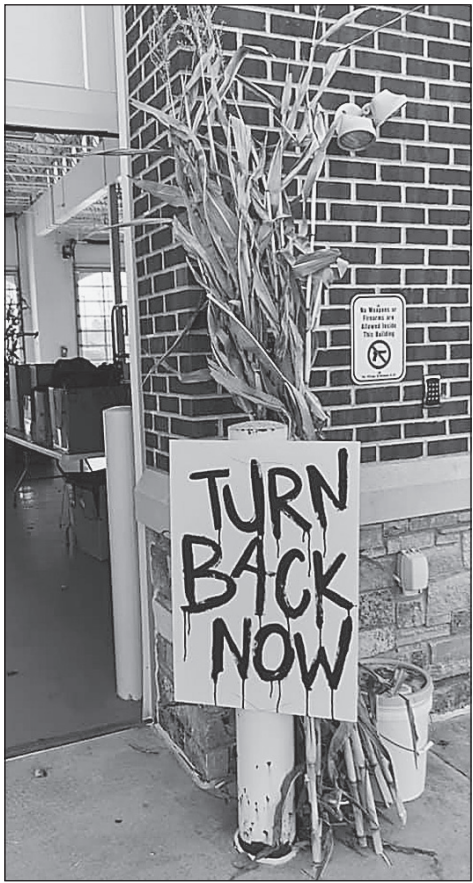
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Elkhart Lake First Responders held drive-through Trick or Treating at the Elkhart Lake Fire Station on Halloween from 4 to 6 p.m. They had about 175 trick-or-treaters come through the station.



## Breakfast with Santa cancelled

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 6, 2020 will be cancelled. The Elkhart Lake Lions would like to thank the community for all the support over the last 30-plus years. We look forward to seeing you all in 2021.



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A ceremonial groundbreaking was held recently for the new residence hall project being undertaken at Lakeland University.

# Lakeland breaks ground on residence hall project

Lakeland University broke ground Oct. 15 on the largest single investment in the main campus in the institution's 158-year history.

In April, Lakeland learned it received a \$35.4 million fixed-rate low interest loan from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development division. Lakeland will use \$26 million to construct two new residence halls to serve freshman and sophomores, a water tower and related infrastructure. The remaining \$9.4 million will be used to refinance the university's existing long-term debt.

Lakeland is the only college/university to receive a USDA loan this year. USDA officials noted that a primary reason Lakeland secured the loan was its innovative Cooperative Education program, which offers students in all academic programs the ability to work full- and part-time jobs at partner companies and organizations while also providing students with a way to reduce or eliminate post-graduation tuition debt.

Co-Op has been a primary driver for

record incoming classes on LU's main campus the last three falls.

The two new, identical residence halls will be located on the area south of the Younger Family Campus Center on the sites currently occupied by decades-old Grosshuesch and Muehlmeier Halls, both of which will be demolished in 2021.

Lakeland estimates that both of the new halls will be open for the fall of 2022. The two new halls will provide Lakeland with 400 beds, compared to 291 beds available in the halls they will replace—A.M. Krueger, Muehlmeier, Grosshuesch, Friedli and Hofer (the Suites). The Suites also will be demolished. The future of A.M. Krueger is to be determined.

USDA Wisconsin Rural Development State Director Frank Frassetto said, "This investment will help Lakeland set the bar for higher education by providing state-of-the-art student education facilities that will support a robust pipeline of talent for local businesses and communities to enhance economic prosperity and quality of life in rural east central Wisconsin."



This is an artist's rendition of the new residence halls at Lakeland.



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# Elkhart Lake Village update

## Notice of spring election provided

**NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION  
VILLAGE OF ELKHART LAKE  
APRIL 6, 2021  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
VILLAGE OF ELKHART LAKE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held in the election district of the Village of Elkhart Lake on Tuesday, April 6th, 2021. The term for the Village President and the Village Trustees begins on April 20th, 2021. All terms are for two years unless otherwise indicated. The following officers are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed:

OFFICE	INCUMBENT
Village President	Richard Sadiq
Village Trustee	Geoffrey Bray
Village Trustee	Bobbie Stroessner
Village Trustee	Michael Wolf

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1st, 2020 and the final day for filing nomination papers in the office of the Village Clerk is 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 5th, 2021.

Candidates must circulate nomination papers that can be obtained at the Village Hall. Twenty valid signatures are required. You can sign three trustee petitions and one president petition.

### November election recap

Thank you all for coming out and voting on Nov. 3. A special thank you needs to be given to the poll workers who willingly helped provide a much-needed service to village residents during this time. All these poll workers go through training and make sure that casting a ballot is a smooth process. The election went great for the village. We had 756 voters who cast ballots and 22 people register to vote on election day. We also had 481 absentee ballots returned to us out of the 756 ballots cast. Our turnout was over 90 percent.

### Support local businesses

As the COVID-19 cases continue to climb, we ask that you think about supporting your local businesses during this holiday season. Please shop local or purchase Chamber Cash that can be spent at the local businesses. This winter season will be difficult on our village shops and restaurants and we need to do all we can to support them. There is a shop local event on Dec. 4 and 5. Please support these businesses as they support the local economy and schools.

### Village tax rate, tax collection

The 2020 budget was approved at the Village Board meeting held Nov. 16. The village's portion of the tax rate will be going down slightly. Tax bills will be in the mail by approximately Dec. 15. You can pay these at the village offices at 40 Pine St. from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays to Fridays. We will be closed Dec. 24 and 25, Dec. 31, and Jan. 1. If the village office is closed, payments can be dropped in the police depository, located on the outside of the building to the west of the Pine Street entrance. You can also drop your payment off at National Exchange Bank & Trust in Elkhart Lake. If you have any questions,



**Progress continues to be made on the Victory Park subdivision.**

please call the clerk's office at 876-2122.

### Village holiday hours

The village offices will be closed Dec. 24 and 25, Dec. 31, and Jan. 1.

### Loss of Peter Menne

In November, the village of Elkhart Lake lost a dedicated village advocate in Peter Menne. Peter served as a village trustee from 1980 to 1987 and village president from 1987 to 1997 and again in 2007 to 2009. Peter was passionate for the village he lived in throughout his life. He was active in St. Thomas Aquinas Church, the Fire Department, the Village Board, and the local Boy Scouts. The Menne family farm land is now home to Cedar Landing, Throttlestop, Compassionate Care Animal Clinic, and the Victory Park subdivision. We extend our sympathies to the Menne family.

### Winter rules began Nov. 15

Winter parking regulations went into effect Nov. 15. As a reminder, here is the ordinance:

New in 2019! Parking is allowed in the North East Street parking lot overnight until 6 a.m.; at that time your vehicle must be moved.

#### PARKING REGULATIONS

All Night Parking Regulated.

6.04(2) (a) No parking of any motor vehicle shall be permitted on either side of any Village street or in the parking lot north of Square Street between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., and no parking in the lot on North East Street from 6 a.m. until 9 a.m. commencing the fifteenth (15th) day of November and ending on the first (1st) day of April of every year.

(b) Any vehicle parked in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be removed from the streets and stored, and such removal and storage shall be at the expense of the owner of said vehicle.

Vehicles violating this ordinance will be ticketed.

#### Snow Removal

Ordinance 10.03 Removing Snow from Sidewalks: residents must clean snow and ice from sidewalks within 14 hours of any snowfall in a 24-hour period.

Snow cannot be blown or plowed onto Village Streets. Residents must also shovel out any hydrants near their home.

#### Snow Removal Warning

As in past years, you will not be notified that snow needs to be removed. If you have not shoveled in the prescribed time, the Village will shovel your walk and bill the

property owner. Also, the entire width of the sidewalk must be shoveled. A path is not sufficient, and you will be in violation.

### Planning Commission—Throttlestop lot 1 and sign permit

The Planning Commission met and discussed the plans for lot 1 for the Throttlestop development. This is going through final approvals, and they hope to be building as soon as possible. The commission also approved a sign permit for a new shop called The Little Shop of Art. This will be located at 176 E. Rhine St. (formerly the Three Gables property). Please go out and support your local businesses. If you want more information, please contact the Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer's office at 920-876-2122 or by email at clerk@elkhartlakewi.gov.

### Victory Park update

The Victory Park subdivision is moving right along. The binder coat was paved in early November and so far, five building permits have been issued. The Village is so excited to see houses going up. A few basements have been poured. If you are interested in more information on the subdivision you can contact Werner Homes

## Elkhart Lake Village Board Members

If you have concerns or questions call any of our Village Trustees

**PRESIDENT:** Richard Sadiq, Pres.  
(POB 188) — (920) 207-4888.  
Email: rsadiq@elkhartlakewi.gov

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Email: gbray@elkhartlakewi.gov

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**TRUSTEE:** Bobbie Stroessner  
(POB 451) — (920) 917-0070.  
Email: bstroessner@elkhartlakewi.gov

**TRUSTEE:** Mike Wolf  
(POB 506) — (920) 876-3100.  
Email: mwolf@elkhartlakewi.gov

at 920-458-4104.

### Email notification list

The village would like to keep you informed of news and changes that may occur on occasion. We would like your email address. These will be kept confidential. We will remind you of changes in the garbage collection schedule and any other things that come up periodically.

Email Jessica Reilly at jreilly@elkhartlakewi.gov to be added to the list.

Please stay safe, and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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**Pantry item donations are requested** at the beginning of the route for Sheboygan County Food Bank. **Cash donations welcomed** at the igloo to support future growth of this event.

MakingSpiritsBright.com



December mystery photo



Can you identify the photo?

Take a look at the December mystery photo above. Do you know anything about it? Where was the location? What was the approximate year? Do you know why it was given its name? If so, let us know! To enter the December contest, send an email to [depotdispatch@elkhartlake.com](mailto:depotdispatch@elkhartlake.com) or a letter with as many details as you can

to the Elkhart Lake Chamber, P.O. Box 425, Elkhart Lake, WI 53020, or drop off at the chamber office, 41 E. Rhine Street. The person with the best submission will receive a finely matted, quality enlarged print of the original, courtesy of Schamberger Gallery in Elkhart Lake. Please share your guesses and help us keep the contest up to date.

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**ADULT FICTION**  
Archer, Paul Coelho  
Arrest, Jonathan Letham  
Autumn Skies, Denise Hunter  
Cold Millions, Jess Walter  
Daylight, David Baldacci  
Dirty South, John Connelly  
Dog's Perfect Christmas, W. Bruce Cameron  
Forgotten Sister, Nicola Cornick  
Ghost Ups her Game, Carolyn Hart  
Goodnight Beautiful, Aimee Molloy  
Hench, Natalie Z. Walschots  
Hidden in Plain Sight, Jeffrey Archer  
Hot to Trot, M.C. Beaton  
In the Lion's Den, Barbra Taylor Bradford  
Kingdom, Jo Nesbo  
Law of Innocence, Michael Connelly  
Miss Benson's Beetle, Rachel Joyce  
Moonflower Murders, Anthony Horowitz  
Murder in Old Bombay, Nev March  
Noel Letters, Richard Paul Evans  
Office of Historical Corrections, Danielle Evans  
Piece of my Heart, Mary Higgins Clark  
Set my Heart to Five, Simon Stephenson  
Sherlock Holmes and the Beast of the Stapletons, James Lovegrove  
Shadow of the Dragon, Tom Clancy  
Silent Bite, David Rosenfelt  
Space Between Worlds, Micaiah Johnson  
Tiny Nightmares: Very Short Stories, Lincoln Michel  
To Be a Man, Nicole Krauss  
Truly, Madly, Deeply, Karen Kingsburg  
V2, Robert Harris  
White Ivy, Susie Yang  
Written in the Stars, Alexandria Bellefleur

**ADULT NON-FICTION**  
Anti-Inflammatory Diet for Dummies, Artemis Morris  
Cancer Code, Jason Fung  
Channel Kindness: Stories of Kindness, Born this Way Fdn.  
Fossil Men: The Quest for the Oldest Skeleton..., Kermit Pattison  
French Laundry Per Se, Thomas Keller  
Home Life Edit: The No-Guilt Guide to Owing what you want..., Clea Shearer  
Happy in a Hurry Cookbook, Steve Doocy  
The Man Who Ran Washington: The Life and Time of James Baker, Peter Baker  
Murder of Innocence, James Patterson  
No Time like the Future, Michael J. Fox  
One Vote Away, Ted Cruz  
Pickleball Fundamentals, USA Pickle Ball Ass.  
We Keep the Dead Close, Becky Cooper  
What to Eat when Cookbook, Michael Roizen  
You are Never Alone, Max Lucado

**LARGE PRINT**  
Daylight, David Baldacci  
Evening and the Morning, Ken Follet  
Guest List, Lucy Foley  
Law of Innocence, Michael Connelly  
Polar Bear in the Snow, Mac Barnett  
Tsarina, Ellen Alpstern

**YOUNG ADULT**  
Broken Wish, Julie C. Dao  
Cloud of Outrageous Blue, Vesper Stamper  
Puppet Master's Apprentice, Lisa Deselm  
Skyhunter, Marie Lu  
Way Back, Gavriel Savit

**JUVENILE FICTION & GRAPHIC NOVELS**  
Logan Likes Mary, Ann M. Martin  
Coaster of Death, Leah Kaminski  
Ickabog, J. K. Rowling  
Shirley & Jamila Save their Summer, Gillian Goerz  
Becoming Muhammad Ali, James Patterson  
Tale of Witchcraft, Chris Colfer

**JUVENILE NON-FICTION**  
Find Me: Adventures in the Forest, Agnese Baruzzi  
Lord Help Me: Inspiring Prayers for every Day, Random House

## Library Hours

Monday – Thursday 9 – 7  
Friday 9 – 5  
Saturday 9 - 2

Super Good Baking for Kids, Duff Goldman

**PICTURE BOOKS**  
Boy and the Gorilla, Jackie Aza Kramer  
Bunheads, Misty Copeland  
Construction Site Mission: Demolition! Sherri Duske Rinker  
Creepy Pair of Underwear, Aaron Reynolds  
Grumpy Monkey Up all Night, Suzanne Lang  
Hog on a Log, Janee Trasler  
I Promise, Lebron James  
I Want to Sleep Under the Stars, Mo Willems  
LEGO City Phonics, Quinlan B. Lee  
Penny & the Plain Piece of Paper, Miri Leshem-Pelly  
What will Fit, Grace Lin  
Wild Symphony, Dan Brown

**AUDIO BOOKS, PLAY-A-WAYS & MUSIC**  
All the Devils are Here, Louise Penny  
Anxious People, Fredrick Backman  
Room where it Happened, John Bolton

**DVDS & BLU-RAY**  
True History of the Kelly Gang  
Announcements

**EVENTS**  
**COFFEE HOUR AND CHAT ON ZOOM—WEDNESDAYS AT 10 A.M.**  
As the weather turns cooler, we will meet on Zoom. Interested in joining the conversation? Contact us to be placed on our Zoom email list.



## Adornment Traditional Holiday Abundance

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- We have suspended all our in-person events such as Story Time and Toddler Time. We have added several Story Time To-Go kits to the collection.
- Thanks to a grant we received from the State of Wisconsin our Wi-Fi is now accessible across the park and on North Lake Street by the library. Look for EL-LIBRARY-PUBLIC. Currently the Wi-Fi is available 24/7 and it does not require the use of a password or splash page.

**BOOK CLUB ON ZOOM—FRIDAY, DEC. 11 AT 1 P.M.**  
Book to be discussed to be determined. To assist us in planning please register at 876-2554.

**DECEMBER TAKE & MAKE AND OTHER HOLIDAY FUN!**  
We will have holiday Take & Makes all month long. Drop by and pick one up! We will have other activities available during the month. Please check our website or Facebook page for up-to-date information.

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This will be the Friends of the Library's only outreach this year. Our 4th of July cookie sale and our regular book sale were both canceled because of COVID-19. We have instead expanded our book sale into an ongoing format to safely accommodate our patrons. Please join others in giving to Lights of Love so that together we can continue to help foster quality and availability in our programs, materials, and technology.



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# Elkhart Lake Chamber Calendar

## Regularly scheduled meetings & events

### ELKHART LAKE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD MEETING

Held at the Grashorn Civic Center at 8:30 a.m. the third Tuesday of each month

### VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Trustees meets at the Grashorn Civic Center (84 N. Lake St.) on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7 p.m.

Agendas for all board and committee meetings are posted 24 hours in advance of the meeting at the Grashorn Civic Center, National Exchange Bank & Trust, Wisconsin Bank & Trust, the Post Office, and our website. In order to be on a board agenda you must notify the village clerk by the Wednesday before the board meeting.

### VISITOR CENTER

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### AA MEETINGS

Held every Tuesday at 10 a.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m. at Community United Church of Christ, 174 N. East St.

### ELKHART LAKE STUDY CLUB

Meetings are held the first Monday of the month at noon and on the second Monday in September. Meetings are not held in January, July, and August.

Elkhart Lake Cutting Edge Quilters—first Wednesday each month at 1 p.m.

Bridge Improvement—Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

Book Group—second Monday each month at 1 p.m.

Elkhart Lake Chamber of Commerce presents Elkhart Cares with Village Square Train Depot. Tree lighting 6 p.m.

Santa's Village Brought to you by Elkhart Cares, 91 S. Lincoln St, Elkhart Lake, 1 to 6 p.m.

### NOVEMBER 29

Stefanie H. Weill Center—movie, "The Santa Clause," 2:30 p.m. [www.weillcenter.com](http://www.weillcenter.com)

### NOVEMBER 29 TO DECEMBER 30

Sheboygan County Historical Society & Museum. Holiday Memories revolves around our collection of H.C. Prange's and Boston Store animated characters who each year can be found in fun new exhibit settings. The two historic homes on the Museum Campus—the David Taylor House and the Weinhold Log Cabin—are also decorated for the holidays. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, admission will be by advanced ticket only, and will

be timed and capacity will be limited. Tickets will be available beginning Nov. 1. Mondays and Tuesdays, noon to 7 p.m.; Wednesdays through Fridays, noon to 5 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; closed Dec. 24 and 25. [www.sheboyganmuseum.org](http://www.sheboyganmuseum.org)

### DECEMBER 31

Plymouth Arts Center 14th Annual New Year's Eve Sartori Big Cheese Drop at 10 p.m. Free family event. Enjoy hot cocoa at the bonfire, 8:45 to 9:45 p.m. Wear a mask! Bring noisemakers!

### JANUARY 28 & 29

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**HOURS OF OPERATION:**  
**Thurs-Mon, 4 pm-close**

Dec 10, 11, 12, 13, 14  
Dec 17, 18, 19, 20, 21  
Dec 26, 27, 28, & 31  
Jan 1: 11 am-close

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