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**Saturday, November 30th at 4pm-6:30pm | Christmas in the Square with Santa under the Depot sponsored by ElkhartCares!**

The Chamber will host their Christmas in the Square and Village Tree Lighting from 4pm-6:30pm downtown Elkhart Lake. Come enjoy the sounds of the seasons with carriage rides, holiday treats and more! ElkhartCares will have Santa and other surprises under our historic train depot. We will kick off the holiday season and light the tree at 6:15pm. See you there!

## The Spirit of Community

By Kathleen Eickhoff

Thanksgiving is a favorite holiday for many as families gather around menus packed with family recipes we only have this time of the year. These holiday dishes are certainly worthy of being made year-round. However, we save and savor them specifically for Thanksgiving.

I could say the same about the great events Elkhart Lake hosts during the Thanksgiving weekend. These once-a-year quintessential holiday events give residents, extended family and visitors the opportunity to gather and reconnect in the heart of the Village. This spirit of community exudes the warmth and connection people truly seek and what makes Elkhart Lake such a special place.

Please invite family and friends and join us for these special community events!

### Thursday, Nov. 28th

**Thanksgiving Brunch at The Osthoff Resort 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Let the culinary team at The Osthoff Resort take care of all the details. It's truly a veritable feast for families who come from near and far to gather in Elkhart Lake to celebrate the thankfulness of the season.

Reservations are recommended.

### Friday, Nov. 29th

**Hard Left Lounge at Siebkens Resort 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Open for your family and friend gatherings over the weekend. Catch up over specialty cocktails, food and darts!

**Double the Fun Dueling Pianos at The Osthoff Resort 7:00 p.m.**

Enjoy an evening of incredible performances, crowd-favorite songs and plenty of laughs. Crowd participations is encouraged, so submit your requests and sing along!

**Live Music in the Elk Room at The Osthoff Resort 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

### Saturday, Nov. 30th

**Shop Elkhart Lake for Small Business Saturday**

Small Business Saturday is the perfect time to support your locally owned and operated Elkhart Lake retail shops! It's a great day to jump start on your Christmas list shopping with great active brands, home décor, apparel, jewelry and gems, Scandinavian gifts, purses, personal care items, books, cards, and so much more.

**Holiday Wine Tasting 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

Vintage Elkhart Lake and Lake Street Café bring you a Holiday Wine Tasting during the Annual Elkhart Lake Tree Lighting. Both locations will offer an exclusive selection of wines from around the globe. Reserve your wristband in advance for \$20, proceeds to benefit the Plymouth Food Pantry.

**Christmas in the Square 4:00 - 6:30 p.m.**

Join the Chamber of Commerce for this cherished annual family event! Enjoy sweet treats, carriage rides and Christmas music as we gather for the lighting of Elkhart Lake's Christmas Tree at 6:15 p.m.

**ElkhartCares Christmas with Santa 4:00 - 6:30 p.m.**

Join the holiday fun with Santa under the Historic Depot! Enjoy hot coca and some special surprises for the kids!

**Hard Left Lounge at Siebkens Resort 4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**

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**Live Music in the Elk Room at The Osthoff Resort 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

*Thanksgiving weekend is always a time to savor with family and friends and even more memorable when enjoyed in Elkhart Lake.*



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## HOLIDAY WAGON RIDES & HOT CHOCOLATE

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## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA CLAUS

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## REINDEER BRUNCH

December 8 & 15, 9AM – 12PM

## CHRISTMAS DAY BRUNCH

December 25, 10AM – 2PM

# MYSTERY PHOTO CONTEST

## Down Memory Lane



Take a look at the December Mystery Photo. Do you know anything about it? Where is/was the location? What year was this photo taken?

If you know, 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.

The winner should contact The Chamber at 41 E. Rhine Street or call 920.876.2922.



The winner of the November Down Memory Lane photo submission came from **Deborah Roitt**

The November mystery photo is of Mill Street in Plymouth WI between 1957 and 1960. The corner drug store is Adam's Rexall Drugstore, owned by Oren Adam's. Oren purchased the former Fifrich drugstore in 1957 and ran it until he sold it to his son Steve in 1985. I remember as a young girl my parents and others talking about having enjoyed eating at the lunch counter they ran there. Down the street was Bades

Drug Store that was later purchased by William Heberlein in 1964, where my parents also shopped. On the opposite side of the street is The City Club. It is still operating today as City Club Bar & Grill with good food and a wonderful Friday fish fry. There are many other stores in the photo that I vaguely remember like the bakery that my parents would go to. In the opposite direction was the A&P Grocery Store where my

parents would buy groceries. There were two movie theaters down that way too! My mother-in-law would tell us stories about the one she worked at as a young girl. That building has since burned down.

*We received more submissions that we had room to print. Thank you to all who submitted.*

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# Community & Conservation at Elkhart Lake's First Watershed Stakeholder Meeting

While the sound of boats has quieted on the water, the Elkhart Lake Improvement Association (ELIA) has been making waves offshore this autumn. Just a few weeks ago, ELIA hosted its inaugural Watershed Stakeholder Meeting at Farm 1849, a picturesque property in Glenbeulah. The event aimed to bring together farmers, outdoor enthusiasts, and representatives from several local conservation organizations and government bodies. The goal? To get those who are working hard on local watershed preservation into the same room for an evening. ELIA was optimistic that some water quality sparks would fly.

Attendees enjoyed an evening of putting faces to names in the way that Sheboygan County residents do best—over local Sheboygan beers from Three Sheeps Brewing and Wisconsin brats cooked by Three Guys and a Grill. Each attendee kept it short and sweet with the mic to ensure that everyone had an opportunity to present on their ongoing water quality projects. Key speakers included Tyler Betry, the Sheboygan County Conservationist, Miriam Headrick from the

Glacial Lakes Conservancy, Derek Sippel from the Sheboygan River Progressive Farmers & Airy Point Farms, Michael Patin from the National Resource Conservation Service, Amy Lentz from Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership, Steve Klock from Sheboygan County Conservation Association and Pheasants Forever, and Star Gerk from the Sheboygan River Basin Partnership.

The energy in the room was informative, inquisitive and inspiring as each speaker got to present their ongoing contributions to the future of the surrounding watershed. The presentations provided the perfect opportunity for everyone to be updated on each organization's status and helped the groups find overlap in ongoing projects as well as potential partnerships on future projects. Overlapping goals included reducing stormwater runoff and pollution, managing invasive species and supporting native habitat, just to name a few. As the night concluded, the room was filled with optimism and eagerness for future gatherings.

ELIA members are excited to have provided



this collaborative space for their partners to come together. Serving as a network for these groups and continuing to build momentum around the shared appreciation of our local waterways is something ELIA plans to keep on their agenda. People always say it takes a village. When it comes to water health, it often takes your village plus the other communities in your county. If you'd like to learn more about the Watershed Stakeholder Meeting, you can find the digital version of this article including links to all of the partner

organizations that attended the event at [www.keepelkhartblue.org](http://www.keepelkhartblue.org).

Want to support the Elkhart Lake Improvement Association's work this holiday season? The ELIA Holiday Pop-Up Web Store is now open until **December 1st!** Convenient shipping on December 9th ensures your Keep Elkhart Blue gifts will arrive in time to spread holiday cheer. Find the link to purchase Keep Elkhart Blue apparel, kitchenware and other homegoods at the ELIA website homepage.

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North Town Partners has been awarded the prestigious 2024 Economic Driver of the Year Award by the Sheboygan County Economic Development Corporation (SCEDC). This accolade highlights their transformative impact on housing and retail development projects across Sheboygan County, setting a new standard for quality and innovation in the region.



With a steadfast commitment to enhancing community living through groundbreaking housing solutions, North Town Partners has consistently delivered projects that foster vibrant and welcoming neighborhoods. Recognized not only for their contributions to the local economy but, each development is crafted to promote community growth and economic prosperity.

end townhomes in the Village of Elkhart Lake, WI, known as Whitetail Ridge, along with the expansive 99+ acre North Town Project in collaboration with the Town of Sheboygan. This ambitious venture will integrate housing, hotels, shopping, and activities, offering residents the chance to truly live where they play.

Among their notable projects is the Kingsbury Village in Sheboygan, WI, featuring 33 luxury townhomes. Their efforts have also led to new retail opportunities at Memorial Plaza, welcoming stores like Ollie's Bargain Outlet, Michael's, and Harbor Freight. Currently, they are developing 70 high-

With \$85 million worth of projects underway and an additional \$100 million planned for 2025, North Town Partners continues to drive significant growth in the local real estate market. The SCEDC is proud to support North Town Partners on their development journey, aiding in the enhancement and expansion of Sheboygan County.

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\*Now featuring: 50th Anniversary of Arts/ Industry.

\* Clocking In: 2024 Arts/Industry Resident artist Justin Favela's *Taco Pizza Slice Chandelier* through December 8

\*Milestones in the Making Thru January 2025 At the Arts Center

\*Workplace through January 19, 2024

\*Process Pro Forma thru February 16, 2025 at the Arts Center.

\*Willie Cole: Home Assembly through April 27, 2025

\*Lunch Break: Arts/Industry in Between through May 4, 2025

### November 23

**Camp Y-Koda** Holiday Vendor Fair & Open House 11am-3pm. Local artisans and crafters will be available to purchase items. Alongside with the vendor fair, we will be hosting a fall (or winter!) Open house for those finished with their shopping to tour our 80-acre property and learn more about Camp Y-Koda, a hidden gem in Sheboygan County. [www.heboygancountymca.org/camp-y-koda](http://www.heboygancountymca.org/camp-y-koda)

### November 23 & 24

**Plymouth Arts Center**-Celtic Christmas-a live musical concert with traditional, contemporary, and religious Christmas music . Saturday show 7:30pm & Sunday show 2:30pm. [www.plymoutharts.org/](http://www.plymoutharts.org/) \$

### November 29

**Osthoff Resort**-Double the Fun-Dueling Pianos. The NEW Piano guys hit the stage with outstanding performers, beloved tunes, contagious laughter, and the option to make song requests, get set for an evening filled with joy. [www.osthoff.com](http://www.osthoff.com)

### November 29-December 30

**Walderhaus-28th Annual Gingerbread Festival** Dozens of creations will be on display and weekends feature holiday music. The Gingerbread Festival is open to the public, free of charge. Sunday through Friday: 1-5 pm. Saturday: 10 am-5 pm. Saturday and Sunday musical performances begin at 2:00 p.m. [www.kohlerfoundation.org/walderhaus/annual-gingerbread-festival/](http://www.kohlerfoundation.org/walderhaus/annual-gingerbread-festival/)

### November 29-December 31

**Making Spirits Bright** Drive Through Holiday Lights Show at Evergreen Park sponsored by the Sheboygan Rotary Club 5-9pm (closed 12/24). Light displays are choreographed to music through your vehicle's radio. Food pantry items are collected at the entrance. Children are able to drop their letters to Santa in the mailbox at the North Pole Post Office.As you depart the show, volunteers in the igloo offer a complimentary event guides and accept donations to support the growth and operations of the lights show. [www.makingspiritsbright.com/experience/holiday-lights](http://www.makingspiritsbright.com/experience/holiday-lights)

### Thru December 21

**Santa's Station** open Friday & Saturdays 5-9pm includes visits with Santa with photo opportunities, trolley tours, entertainment, wreath raffles, mini light curtain and concessions. [www.makingspiritsbright.com/experience/santas-station](http://www.makingspiritsbright.com/experience/santas-station)

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### December 1

**Stefanie Weill Center**-Movie-Gremlins (1984) 3pm. [www.weillcenter.com](http://www.weillcenter.com) for tickets/info. \$

### December 2

**Elkhart Lake Study Club**-Christmas Luncheon at Siebkens Dining Room with arrival/social hour 11:30am; Lunch noon; Meeting 1pm. Coordinators: MaryJo Vollrath & Vangi Nelson.

### December 6-15

**Old World Christmas Market** is open daily from 10 AM - 5 PM. Reminiscent of the centuries-old Christkindlesmarkt of Nuremberg, Germany, the 26th annual Old World Christmas Market at The Osthoff Resort offers the warmth and merriment of this Old World tradition. [www.osthoff.com/old-world-christmas-market](http://www.osthoff.com/old-world-christmas-market) \$

### Weekends starting

#### December 6-22

**New Holstein Time House Christmas.**This year's theme: "The Spirit of Christmas - Sights, Sounds, and Smells of the Season". For more details: [\\$](http://www.newholsteinhistory.info/timm-house)

- » Fridays, Dec. 6, 13, & 20 5pm to 8pm
- » Saturdays, Dec. 7, 14, 21 11am to 3pm
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### December 7

**18th Annual Elkhart Lake Retail Holiday Open House** - Explore the shops of Elkhart Lake and take advantage of special sales and promotions while enjoying delicious beverages and festive treats as you search for unique gifts for your loved ones. 12-4pm. [www.facebook.com/events/1460299154651825/](http://www.facebook.com/events/1460299154651825/)

**Plymouth Arts Center**-The Plymouth Arts Center Singers will be presenting their annual Christmas Concert, "Colors of Christmas." 45+ volunteers who enjoy sharing their talent to perform their program of holiday favorites for audiences of all ages. 7:30pm. [www.plymoutharts.org/](http://www.plymoutharts.org/) \$

**Stefanie Weill Center**- The Nutcracker Ballet performed by Brittany's School of Dance. This production features a Christmas party, a battle between life-size mice and toy soldiers, and a magical journey through the snow into the fantasy land of the Sweets. 2pm & 7pm. [www.weillcenter.com](http://www.weillcenter.com) for tickets/info. \$

## Regularly Scheduled Meetings & Events

### Elkhart Lake Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting

Held at 8:30am third Tuesday of each month

### Village Board Meetings

Board of Trustees meets at Grashorn Civic Center, 84 N. Lake St. - 6pm first and third Monday most months.

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

### AA Meetings

Every Tuesday at 10am and Thursdays at 7pm at Community United Church of Christ, 174 N. East St.

### Elkhart Lake Study Club

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

### Elkhart Lake Cutting Edge Quilters

First Wednesday each month at 1pm

### Bridge Improvement Tuesdays at 1pm

### Book Group

Second Mondays each month at 1pm

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### December 13 & 14

**Pankratz Art Exchange at the Shore Club Theater.** Experience an enchanting evening filled with artistic talent and holiday cheer showcasing an array of incredible local performers, accompanied by a live band. 7pm. [\\$](http://www.paearts.org)

arranged with a unique blend of vocals, harp, piano, and cello. 7pm. [www.weillcenter.com](http://www.weillcenter.com) for tickets/info. \$

### December 19

**Osthoff Resort**-Rockin' Elvis Christmas-Nashville recording artist Doug Allen Nash for his sensational "Rockin' Elvis Christmas!" Get ready for an electrifying performance. 7pm [www.osthoff.com/events/](http://www.osthoff.com/events/) \$

### December 20

**Stefanie Weill Center**-Movie- It's a Wonderful Life (1946) 6pm. [www.weillcenter.com](http://www.weillcenter.com) for tickets/info. \$

**Stefanie Weill Center**-Holiday Dreams, A Spectacular Family Cirque! This holiday show that incorporates acrobats, aerialists, comedians, daredevils and specialty acts performing incredible feats using the latest in visual and technological "magic". 2pm & 7pm. [www.weillcenter.com](http://www.weillcenter.com) for tickets/info. \$

**Osthoff Resort**-Neil Diamond Tribute 7pm Nashville recording artist Doug Allen Nash for his Tribute to Neil Diamond! On Friday, December 20th, experience a Christmas holiday multi-media theatrical show that showcases Doug's incredible vocals alongside an A-list group of musicians. [www.osthoff.com/events/](http://www.osthoff.com/events/) \$

### December 20 & 21

**Pankratz Art Exchange at the Shore Club Theater.** Experience an enchanting evening filled with artistic talent and holiday cheer showcasing an array of incredible local performers, accompanied by a live band. 7pm with Saturday matinee at 2pm. [\\$](http://www.paearts.org)

### December 28

**Stefanie Weill Center**-Movie-Gremlins (1984) 3pm. [www.weillcenter.com](http://www.weillcenter.com) for tickets/info. \$

### December 31

**Plymouth Arts Center** - 18TH SARTORI BIG CHEESE DROP NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY begins at 7:30pm with live music by the String Along Band. There will be a cheese tasting table and a cash bar. Enjoy complimentary hot cocoa and warm up at the bonfire from 8:30 to 10pm. As this is a family-friendly event, the Big Cheese Drop will be held at 10 PM. Bring your party noisemakers and cheese hats! 7:30-10:30pm. [www.plymoutharts.org/](http://www.plymoutharts.org/)

### January 11

**Hermitage Conservation Club**-Snowball Shoot 50 bird Lets shoot (white targets). <http://www.hermitageconservationclub.com/>

### January 24, 25 & 26

**Schnee Days**- Join us for a 3-day weekend of winter fun! Test your cooking skills and take part in the famous chili cook-off or cure your cabin fever with the 5K or 2-mile SchneeLauf Run/Walk. Enjoy various activities for the whole family and pray for Schnee! For an up-to-date list of events visit [www.elkhartlake.com/schnee-days](http://www.elkhartlake.com/schnee-days)

### December 14

**Stefanie Weill Center**-The Sheboygan Symphony Chorus celebrates its 30th season with this timeless masterpiece. Join in during the Hallelujah Chorus! Sheet music will be provided for audience participation. 7:30pm. [www.weillcenter.com](http://www.weillcenter.com) for tickets/info. \$

### December 14 & 15

**Old Wade House**-Christmas The halls of the picturesque inn will be decked out for the holidays, showcasing how the Wade family and their many visitors would have celebrated a classic 19th-century Yankee and German-influenced Christmas. Enjoy classic holiday treats, crafts, live music and a reading of "The Night Before Christmas", a scavenger hunt, live music, and children's activities.10am-4pm \$ [www.wadehouse.wisconsinhistory.org/](http://www.wadehouse.wisconsinhistory.org/)

### December 15

**Stefanie Weill Center**-Sons of Serendip Quartet with their ethereal and emotionally stirring interpretations of pop music,

# Where Has the Past 15 Years Gone???

The mission statement of the Friends of the Broughton Sheboygan Marsh, formed in 2005, is "to promote the increased use and appreciation of the unique beauty of the Broughton Sheboygan County Marsh through education and recreation". Their first project was the construction of Wisconsin's tallest wooden observation tower, which opened **fifteen** years ago and allows visitors to have a birds-eye view of the marsh and surrounding terrain. Hoping to commence construction in the spring, the Friends appreciated the generosity of the donors who have contributed to make this happen. They then needed to become a non-profit 501(c) 3 which they did and that helped with the funding. Next came Reed Schmitt from Jos. Schmitt Construction whose daughter Christine attended a two day field trip at the marsh and told her father what a great place this was and between Reed and his brother Steve offered to build the tower and that's how it got started.

Have you climbed this lately, the tallest wooden tower in the state of Wisconsin, 80 ft. It is located at the Sheboygan County Marsh Park. This Christmas the tower will be opened to the public for 15 years already. Where has the time gone? We started that project back in 2005 and in 2009 it was completed to be open to the public on Christmas. This tower gives you the opportunity to view the Sheboygan marsh from 80 ft high. It has 4 landings and you can sit on the second and top landings and just relax or see the view. If you are not able to climb 144 easy steps you can see the view from inside the restaurant with a camera and joy stick to move it around.

The Friends of the Sheboygan Broughton Marsh, Inc collected the funds from private donors as well as local companies to share with everyone. What you see from the top is a beautiful view of the marsh and animals that inhabit the area. Over the past 15 years we have had an engagement, wedding, anniversaries and funerals held at the tower. Our contractor Jos. Schmitt & Sons did an excellent job on this project.

Next the Friends started working to further enhance the park with the creation of a multi-purpose/educational center and meeting facility that will house Camp Y-Koda's environmental programs, field trips from schools throughout the area and other groups who appreciate conservation efforts and wildlife at the marsh.

Our next project was the Kohler Center for Marsh Education also located on the south end of the park. This center is open to the public for events such as showers, birthday parties, and other celebrations which if you reach out to the Sheboygan County Planning Dept. 920-459-3060 they will gladly help you make your reservation. This beautiful building was also built by Jos. Schmitt Construction. The main focus is for educating the youth from the surrounding schools on their two day field trips to the marsh. The center attraction has a 115 year old tree from the marsh which holds up the Atrium. This building




also houses the latest in showers and a safe space from storms for the campers. All plumbing was donated by Kohler Company.

With that being said the Friends have now started a new adventure which is a boardwalk out into the marsh. More info will be becoming as time goes along. Again this will be built with public dollars as was the Center. The communities have been very generous in helping the Friends with their projects and we hope that this one will be the same.

For more info you can contact the Friends at 920-876-4312 or email: [lpipping@wi.rr.com](mailto:lpipping@wi.rr.com)

Thank you to the donors from the Friends of the Marsh

Lil Pipping, President




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# Update

## Christmas in the Square & Holiday Tree Lighting

The Christmas in the Square will be held on November 30<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 6 pm. There will be carriage rides, holiday treats and Santa will visit under the Depot. The Tree Lighting will take place at 6:15 pm.

## Spring Election

NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION

VILLAGE OF ELKHART LAKE

APRIL 1, 2025

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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The term for the Village President and the Village Trustees begins on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025. 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	Paul Rudnick
Village Trustee	Michael Wolf

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 and the final day for filing nomination papers in the office of the Village Clerk is 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that if a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

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

## Village Tax Rate & Tax Collection

The 2024 Budget was approved at the Village Board meeting held on November 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be an increase in the tax bills for 2025. The Village portion of the tax bill is increasing by about \$0.04 per \$1000 of assessed value. Tax bills will be in mail by approximately December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024. You can pay these at the Village Offices at 40 Pine Street from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday-Thursday and from 8 am until 12 pm on Fridays. We will be closed on December 24 and 25, 2024 and December 31, 2024 and January 1, 2025. If the Village office is closed, payments can be dropped in the drop box, located at the top of the stairs to the left (east) of the Pine Street entrance. You can also drop your payment off at Cleveland State Bank in Elkhart Lake or National Exchange Bank & Trust in Elkhart Lake. If you have any questions, please call the Clerk's office at 876-2122.

## Village Holiday Hours

The Village offices will be closed on November 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving. The offices will also be closed on December 24 and 25, 2024 and December 31, 2024 and January 1, 2024.

## November Election Recap

Thank you all for coming out and voting on November 5<sup>th</sup>. A special thank you needs to be given to the poll workers who willingly helped provided a much-needed service to Village residents. All of 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 791 voters who cast ballots. Our turnout over 93%.

## Support Local Businesses

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. There is a shop local event on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Please support these businesses as they support the local economy and schools.

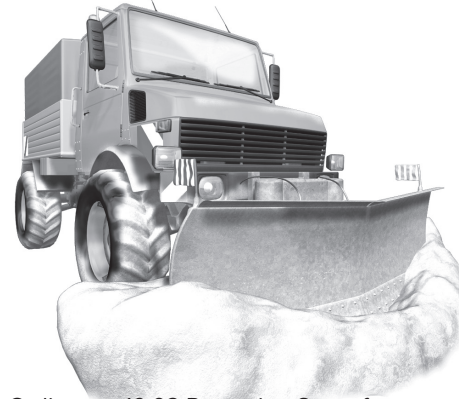
## Whitetail Ridge & The Preserve at Elkhart Lake



The Preserve at Elkhart Lake is now leasing. Occupancy began in mid-November. The Preserve at Elkhart Lake leasing office is open in the Fire Station parking lot. More information on the development can be found at <https://www.thepreserveelkhart.com/> or you can email [thepreserve@oakbrookcorp.com](mailto:thepreserve@oakbrookcorp.com) for more information.

The Whitetail Ridge development also received occupancy in mid-November. Tenants have begun to move in. There will be one new building available each month. For more information on this development please visit <https://www.facebook.com/p/Whitetail-Ridge-61554596939997/> or email [Leasing@northtownpartners.com](mailto:Leasing@northtownpartners.com).

## 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.

## Winter Rules begin November 15th

Winter parking regulations go into effect on November 15<sup>th</sup>. As a reminder, here is the ordinance. There will be no parking allowed on Leonard's Way for this winter from November 15<sup>th</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup> at any time.

Parking is allowed overnight in the N. East Street parking lot overnight until 6 am, 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 am. and 6 am, and no parking in the lot on North East Street from 6 am until 9 am 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.

## Village Board Members

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## Auto Pay Your Water Bill

The Village of Elkhart Lake accepts Automatic Clearing House (ACH) payments for your water/sewer bills. If you are interested in having your water/sewer bill automatically debited from your bank account, please contact the Village at 920-876-2122 or email [clerk@elkhartlakewi.gov](mailto:clerk@elkhartlakewi.gov) and we will work to set you up on the program.

## Dog Owners – Dog Refuse Stations

Just a reminder to please pick up after your dogs. We have installed bag stations throughout the village for your convenience. These stations will dispense plastic bags to help in the cleanup effort. The dog stations are located at:

- » S. End of Walkway
- » N. End of Walkway
- » Near Village Square Park
- » S. Lake Street near Elm St.
- » Osthoff Avenue
- » Lions Park
- » E. Rhine St. near Charlene's
- » E. Rhine St. near Two Fish Gallery

We are looking at adding a couple along Victory Lane in the coming months.

## 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](mailto:jreilly@elkhartlakewi.gov) to be added to the list.



Happy Thanksgiving!





# An Evening of the Classics: Joseph Sartori Concert Series Presented by the Plymouth Arts Center



The Plymouth Arts Center proudly presents an evening of fine performances in the semi-annual *Joseph Sartori Concert Series, "An Evening of the Classics,"* on Saturday, November 9, 2024, at 7:30 PM. The series is graciously underwritten by the Sartori Company. The director, coordinator, and emcee for this event is Christina Pringle. The concert performers are Bryndyn Schroeder guitar, vocals; Elliot Luedke, piano; Dan Ognavic, piano, violin; and Annika Nelson, guitar. Tickets for the concert are \$13 (tax incl.) for Adults and \$7 (tax incl.) for Students. Children under 5 are free. Please visit the Plymouth Arts Center at 520 E. Mill Street, downtown Plymouth, WI; call: (920) 892-8409; email: info@plymoutharts.org; or purchase online: www.plymoutharts.org.

### About the Performers

**Bryndyn Schroeder** is a Music Education Major at Lakeland University. You may have seen him in STC's "Rent", or Lakeland University's "Big Fish" in the last year. He is primarily a singer, and plays guitar and piano. His musical influences for his solo work include a variety of pop, folk, and rock songs. This will be his 4th time ever performing live and solo with his guitar. Wish him luck!

**Elliot Luedke** started playing piano as young as six, venturing into the jazz genre in middle school, eventually playing drums, piano, vibes, and bass for Ripon High School's audition-only jazz ensemble. Currently, Elliott is the section leader for percussion and drumline at Lakeland

University. Today, Elliott explores genres of jazz, indie, and folk on piano, drawing from influences such as Ben Folds, the Avett Brothers, and the many musicians that have mentored and played with them.

**Dan Ognavic** is a Sheboygan native who has pursued a lifelong interest in music by teaching and performing in Sheboygan County churches, schools, care facilities, lounges, and for private events. Musical mentors have been private teachers including his mother Barbara, and Elmira Kruse for piano, his brother Sateve, and Frieda Wambsgans for violin, and the Sheboygan Public School music instructors who provided inspiration and encouragement. Past Plymouth performances at the PAC have included "Scrooge...The Musical" and recital accompanying. Outside interests include humor, gardening, pets and travel. Mr. Ognavic is looking forward to performing at this program.

**Annika Nelson** is a Classical Guitarist studying under the Cuban guitar virtuoso René Izquierdo at UW-Milwaukee. She is in her third year studying Classical Guitar Performance and Music Education. In 2022, Annika was the recipient of the Ruth DeYoung Kohler Scholarship for Artistic Excellence. With her performance, she always looks to tell a story through her program, emotional intent, and technical skills.

**Christina Pringle, Program Coordinator:** Christina Pringle is a vocalist and vocal director that resides in Plymouth, WI.

She also is the music director and artistic director for Mill Street Live. Christina attends Lakeland University, where she is pursuing her degree in Music Education. In her free time, she enjoys singing classical music, playing piano and guitar, and hanging out with friends, family, and her dogs. Christina has a passion for teaching and directing and is very excited to join the team as the program coordinator.

The **Joseph Sartori Concert Series** was initiated at the Plymouth Arts Center as a tribute to the late Joseph Sartori in honor of his musical talent and in appreciation of the Sartori Family's generous contribution to the Plymouth Arts Center. "**An Evening of the Classics**" made its debut at the Plymouth Arts Center in November 2008 by the group Ensemble 'Eclatant, directed by Riley McKinch. The Joseph Sartori Concert Series is presented twice per year in Spring and Fall. Performers who wish to be considered for future concerts may leave a message for the Program Coordinator, Christina Pringle, by calling the Plymouth Arts Center, 920.892.8409.

**Jim Sartori, CEO** of the Sartori Company, offered these comments after the very first show: "our dad, Joseph Sartori, while known primarily for his work with S & R Cheese/Sartori Company, for most of his life, was also known as a highly accomplished pianist. Joseph's aunt, Ada Lombardi, an acclaimed concert pianist with the Philadelphia Philharmonic Orchestra, taught Joseph the piano, and especially "The Classics." While he did not pursue a musical career, as his aunt thought he should, he did continue to play, practically daily, for the rest of his life. The Steinway grand piano used for "An Evening of the Classics" is the one our dad bought in the early 1960s. He played for his own enjoyment, as well as that of his family and friends. Many pianists who have played "Papa Joe's" Steinway at the Plymouth Arts Center speak highly of its sound and feel privileged to have the opportunity to play such a wonderful instrument. Our dad will be listening to the concert, and the Sartori family is proud to be a part of "An Evening of The Classics."

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The library will be closed on Tuesday, December 24th, Wednesday, December 25th, Tuesday, December 31st and Wednesday, January 1st.

**Lights of Love** - The Friends of the Elkhart Lake Public Library invite you to participate in their Lights of Love campaign. Please consider making a donation in honor/memory of a family member, friend, teacher or loved one. For each donation, a light will be lit on the holiday tree at the library. Donation forms are available at the library.

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**Letters to Santa – Starting December 1<sup>st</sup>** - Come to the library and write a letter to Santa. Our special mailbox will ensure delivery to the North Pole before Christmas. If you bring your letter to the library by December 16<sup>th</sup> and include your return address, you might even get a response! Letter writing materials provided.

**LITTLE KIDS**

**Toddler/Preschool Story Time, Thursdays at 9:30am** – Stories, songs, and activities for toddlers and preschoolers (babies welcome). No registration required. Please skip Story Time if you or your child are unwell.

**KIDS**

**Holiday Shrinky Dinks – Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:15pm – 1<sup>st</sup> grade & up** –Trace, color, bake & shrink! To register, call 920-876-2554 or register on our Events page.

**5TH GRADE & UP**

**Board Gamers (Middle School & up)– Mondays starting at 3:15pm** – Put down your controller for a bit of tabletop gaming. Choose from games of luck to games of strategy. Games and post-school snack provided.

**TEENS**

**Manga Tasting – Runs through January 30<sup>th</sup>** - Pick up our Manga Menu and choose a book to read. When you finish the book, rate the manga on the public rating board at the library. Choose another manga from the menu and repeat! Get a raffle ticket for our bi-monthly drawings every time you check out or rate a manga from the list. **Recommended for teens!**

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Coffee Hour and Book Chat – Wednesdays at 10am, Library.** Come for a little coffee, a lot of conversation, and a sneak peek at this week's new releases. All welcome, no registration required.

**Upcycled Wreaths – Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10am or 6pm (Registration required)** - Make a holiday wreath using a discarded book. Visit our Events page or call 920-876-2554 to register for one of the two sessions. Adults and older teens.

**First Friday Matinee (18+) – Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 1pm** – Enjoy a free movie and popcorn at the Grashorn Civic Center. In December, we will be showing a classic 90s rom-com - call 920-876-2554 or see the Events page on our website for title.

**Ukulele Club – Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 1pm, Grashorn Civic Center.** Play ukulele with us! All levels welcome, no registration required. For more information and to get on our contact list, please email [rmontes@monarchlibraries.org](mailto:rmontes@monarchlibraries.org). Don't have a ukulele? Check out our Ukulele Kit at the library to give it a try.

**Book Club – Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 1pm, Grashorn Civic Center.** In December, we will be reading the book *Flight* by Lynn Steger Strong. "*Flight* is a novel of family, ambition, precarity, art, and desire, one that forms a powerful next step from a brilliant chronicler of our time." To be placed on the book club email list, email Rachel at [rmontes@monarchlibraries.org](mailto:rmontes@monarchlibraries.org).

**Common Thread: Needlework and Fiber Arts Crafting Circle –Tuesday,**

**December 17<sup>th</sup> at 1pm, Library.** Bring your own project and join us for some crafting camaraderie. All fiber crafts welcome! Share patterns, get ideas, and just enjoy the company of fellow crafters.

**Intro to Sourdough – Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 1pm (Registration required)-** This beginner friendly, introductory presentation will guide you through the foundations of sourdough bread baking. Amanda, from Hopefully Homesteading LLC, will share some of the science of sourdough breads, recipes, baking terms, tips and troubleshooting advice to help you craft delicious sourdough breads. Additionally, learn how to make and maintain a sourdough starter. Each participant will also leave with a dry sourdough starter. Grashorn Civic Center.

**Are You Ready to Retire? Medicare 101 – Wednesday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, 5-7pm (Registration Required)** - Join Benefit Specialist Mary Kempf from the Sheboygan County Aging and Disability Resource Center for a class about your benefits. Registration required- call 920-876-2554 or register on the library's Events page.

**Technology Help –** Call 920-876-2554 to schedule a time to come in for individualized assistance with technologies such as digital books, audiobooks, Libby, Hoopla, Kanopy, and more. We are here to help!

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- » The Gardener's Plot, Deborah Benoit
- » Is She Really Going Out With Him, Sophie Cousens
- » The Lake of Lost Girls, Katherine Greene
- » The Last One at the Wedding, Jason Rekulak
- » The Mirror, Nora Roberts
- » Now or Never, Janet Evanovich
- » Pickleballers, Ilana Long
- » Shy Creatures: A Novel, Clare Chambers
- » The Story of the Forest, Linda Grant
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**Adult Non-Fiction**

- » Believe: The Untold Story Behind Ted Lasso, Jeremy Egner
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- » Mr. Lemoncello's Fatabulous Finale, Chris Grabenstein

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- » Fix Its Power Up With Power Drill, Sarah Reul
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- » I Spy Love, Dan Marzollo
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The 2024 holiday season brings with it the 25<sup>th</sup> annual "Lights of Love" program, a unique opportunity to financially support our much-loved community library. Funds from last year's campaign supported the **Summer Reading Program, 4 of the 5 summer performances, WIFI Hot Spots, and Experience Passes.**

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"My brother and I are proud to be a part of the Kiel community," Bill said. "It's a great retail town and always has a lot of new and exciting things happening."

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# Lakeland University students present research at the Society for Neuroscience meeting in Chicago



Lakeland University juniors Savannah Szalanski (left), of Watertown, and Montana Zdroik, of Stevens Point, presented research this fall at the Society for Neuroscience meeting in Chicago.

A pair of Lakeland University students presented research this fall at the Society for Neuroscience meeting in Chicago.

Lakeland juniors Savannah Szalanski and Montana Zdroik presented their poster entitled: "Using iPSC Derived Astrocytes to Explore Neurotransmitter Homeostasis." The students worked in the Lakeland Undergraduate Research Experience (LURE) with Associate Professor of Chemistry & Biochemistry Jered McGivern, Ph.D. over the summer and this fall.

The team used adult human derived tissues to examine astrocyte uptake of the neurotransmitters GABA and Glutamate. The hope is to be able to utilize these types of cells to better understand the physiology of the system and eventually use it as a model system to understand defects that may cause disease.

Szalanski, of Watertown, Wis., is a biology major with minors in chemistry, Spanish and biochemistry. Zdroik, of Stevens Point, Wis., is a chemistry and biochemistry major.

Lakeland's LURE research program allows students to work closely with a Lakeland faculty member to design a project, conduct all publishable research, troubleshoot, analyze data and eventually present findings at a state or national scientific conference.

The Society for Neuroscience meeting is a national conference with an attendance of more than 20,000 people.

### Lakeland donates microscopes locally

Thanks to a grant from the West Foundation to obtain higher quality microscopes for Lakeland University's teaching labs, the LU biology department recently helped two local organizations improve their microscopy capabilities.

Over the past year, Lakeland's biology department has made a large donation of older (but functional) monocular scopes to the Howards Grove School District and a smaller donation to the John Michael Kohler Art's Center in Sheboygan.

Twenty-two monocular microscopes were donated to Howards Grove schools in August of 2023 for use in their science courses. That donation was coordinated by LU adjunct instructor Hannah Harder-Chancellor, who worked with a local teacher in Howards Grove to coordinate the donation.

This October, Lakeland made a second donation of two binocular compound microscopes to the JMKAC to assist their efforts to incorporate microscopy in their art course offerings.

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## Nordic Accents celebrates 35 years

This summer, Nordic Accents-Scandinavian Imports happily celebrated 35 years of business in the Elkhart Lake area.

Pirkko Jarvensivu, owner of the eccentric novelty store, said that it's been enjoyable to reflect on the milestone, though time flies by quickly.

Born in Finland, Pirkko came to the United States in 1970. When she first decided to open the store, it was located in a couple of different buildings before landing on Lake Street around Thanksgiving in 1990.

"We started on South 67, then moved to what is now the chamber of commerce building before we found home in our current locations," she said.

Inside Nordic Accents, customers find a collection of items from Scandinavian countries, Pirkko's boutique hosts a variety of items and novelty gifts and has offered much of the same products over the past 35 years that continue to sell well today.

"We do rotate some seasonal things here, especially during Christmas time. Our tomte or nisse items are very popular around the holidays," she said.

Some of the favorite items are Danish candles, iron candle holders, crystal by Kosta Boda, Orrefors, holiday lights.

A look back at the years gone by

As she looks back on her years in Elkhart Lake, Pirkko reflected on some of her favorite memories.

Being a store owner has its ups and downs, especially in a seasonal vacation town.

"I remember past vintage and Indy weekends," Pirkko said. "It was a lot of fun to keep the store open really late as the streets filled with people after the races ended."

Opening a store in Elkhart Lake and being around a racing community is something that Pirkko found comfort in because there was a lot of familiarity from her past.

In Finland where she grew up, Pirkko's father and uncles owned a service shop that her grandfather originally started. Being around cars and racing was almost second nature.

"I was always a big race fan," she said. "You know, once I even entered a rally race back in Finland."

In her early 20's, Pirkko entered a rally race with another girl, her map reader, who was only 15 at the time.

"It was quite an experience," she said. "That was quite a lot of fun."

Pirkko found comfort in the lake community, as in Finland many people had homes or second homes on the lakes as well. "It has always felt like home," she said. "I love the small community atmosphere, I never liked the big cities."

As she reflects on her time in the store, Pirkko says that retail is an ever changing business.

"Thinks have changed a lot since we first opened shop," she said.

It's the personal touch that Pirkko has always enjoyed about her store, which is a factor she is celebrating after her big milestone in Elkhart Lake.



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## The ELKAN Chapter of the National Honor Society at Elkhart

Lake-Glenbeulah High School recently inducted twenty new members during the annual Induction ceremony held in the Mauk Auditorium at the high School.

Each new inductee was presented with a pin, membership card, and certificate. Seniors will also wear an honors stole during graduation ceremonies.

Ms. Julie Hausner, Special Ed. teacher, was the guest speaker.

**STUDENT INDUCTEES:** Jacob Arbuckle, Madison Awe, Kendra Blanke, Katie Bunke, Brooke Einberger, Claire Freier, Ethan Fromm, Maia Glynn, Barbie Gomez, Trista Hassinger, Joseph Kalbacken, Canyon Koehler, Dakota, Koehler, Alyssa Lukich, Anabelle Paulsen, Tanner Prigge, Marlo Saeger, Ashton Thuecks, Peyton Ward and Lydia Weber.

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# ELGHS Homecoming Game

ELG 8-man FB Homecoming v Oakfield Oaks. The Resorters were on fire defeating the previously undefeated Oaks 58-34. The Resorters remain undefeated and will face Wabeno/Laona next Friday (25th) in the first round of the playoffs. ELG is 2nd seed.

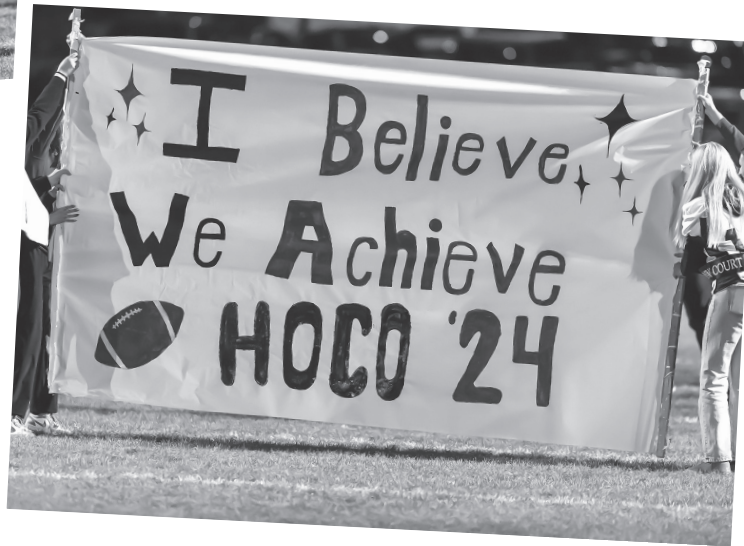
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Brody Feldmann (ELG-11) breaks up an Oakfield pass intended for Kolten Weich (O-84)



Owen Shoup (ELG-5) makes a flying tackle on James Kautzer (O-5) to prevent a long gain.





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# Falooza Festival Raises \$100,000 For Local Mental Health Organizations in Sheboygan County

The Plymouth Advancement Association, organizers of the third Falooza Fall Festival and Music, presented four mental health and addiction recovery organizations with \$100,000. The event took place September 13 and 14 in Plymouth and Sheboygan to raise awareness, support and funds for Rogers Behavioral Health, Samaritan's Hand, Mental Health America and Pathways to a Better Life.

Photo: Members of the Plymouth Advancement Association present checks to Mental Health America Lakeshore, Samaritan's Hand, Rogers Behavioral Health and Pathways to a Better Life. Photo courtesy of the Plymouth Advancement Association.

"We are extremely grateful for the generosity of our sponsors and community who made Falooza a great success. These funds go to Sheboygan County organizations to directly support our friends and community members who are facing mental health and addiction struggles,"



said Lee Gentine, President of the Plymouth Advancement Association. He went on to share how the downtown street

festival in Plymouth not only provided entertainment, music, family activities and shopping, but it showcased many local nonprofits who were represented in booths along Mill Street.

Falooza Fall Festival and Music was made possible by a number of generous sponsors including Presenting Sponsor Sargento, Christopher Farm and Gardens, Masters Gallery Foods, Sartori Company, Van Horn Auto Group, Richco Structures, 5th Color, Pleasant View Realty, Torginol, and Rogers Behavioral Health. The Plymouth Advancement Association is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) working as a catalyst for healthy and vibrant communities since 1994. Past projects by the organization include the FireFest 2020 fundraiser, the Cheese Capital of the World Arch and the Walldogs Mural Festival. For more information and a full schedule of events visit their Facebook page or [advanceplymouth.org](http://advanceplymouth.org)

## Elkhart Lake Glenbeulah winter concert

The Elkhart Lake - Glenbeulah High School Music Department will present its annual Winter Concert on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Ronald Mauk Auditorium. Performing will be the high school band, choir and jazz band. Select pieces to be performed by the band include: Clifford Barnes piece "Persian Carnival"; a Andrew Glover arrangement of "Eclipse Galop"; "Merry Christmas, Darling" arranged by Chris McDonald; and "Carol of the Bells" arranged by Bill Calhoun. Choral selections include: "Plenty Good Room" arranged by Jay Althouse; "The Hurricane" by Paul David Thomas; "Inscription of Hope" by Z. Randall Stroope; and an arrangement of "Rockin with Santa" by Mac Huff. Directors of the groups are Jodi Voss, instrumental music teacher, and Holly Green, vocal music teacher. Deb Levandowski will provide accompaniment for the choir. The jazz ensemble will perform at intermission. The community is invited to attend.



## Timm House Christmas 2024

New Holstein Historical Society members are in the process of making all the necessary preparations for Timm House Christmas 2024. The theme for this year is "The Spirit of Christmas - Sights, Sounds, and Smells of the Season". When thinking about Christmases past, which of these senses prompts a pop up in your memory? Moonlight reflecting off a blanket of new snow; a Christmas hymn, or song; or maybe, the aroma of a special treat, or dish, that Grandma, or Mom, always made for Christmas dinner?

This year, visit the annual Timm House Christmas and bring your memories along to share as NHHS members share some of their happy recollections with you! The 2024 Timm House Christmas will be open on Fridays, December 6, 13, & 20 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM and on Saturdays and Sundays, December 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, & 22 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Admission is \$5 for ages 13 and over, \$2.50 for ages 6-12; and free for children age five and under. The Timm House is located in New Holstein at 1600 Wisconsin Avenue, "the elegant brown house on the corner!"



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# Veteran's Day observance ceremonies at Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah High

Veteran's Day observance ceremonies at Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah High School were held 11/11/2024 at the 11th hour. Local veterans of the armed services were invited to attend. The senior band band played selected patriotic arrangements and the choir sang motivational selections.

A local veteran is invited to speak. This year, Major Bill Ray, was the featured speaker. He reminded the audience of the importance of "this day" in history and shared his service experiences with the audience. Furthermore, he stressed the importance of the extended military family; wives/husbands, children other relatives and their shared burden of service in the military. To that end, it was hoped that everyone would strive to make the most of his/her life, to achieve their potential that was made possible for them by the sacrifices of our Nation's veterans.

At the conclusion of the ceremony it has been the custom for all audience members to shake the hands of the veterans present. The Culinary Arts classes at the high school prepared a luncheon for the service members.

### About the speaker:

Major Bil Ray began his military career in 1959 as an Airborne Ranger Infantryman



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with the 101st Airborne Division. His last assignment, again with the 101st, was at Bagram Air Force Base, Afghanistan, managing all CI Investigations and Source Operations in Regional Command ( R C East. He returned to the States and retired for good in September 2013.

Bill has a Masters Degree in International Relations from the University of Southern California. MAJ Ray had 50 years

Federal Service as a Non Commissioned Officer, Commissioned Officer and Department of Army Civilian. He spent over 42 years as an Army Intelligence Special Agent including 20 years conducting

Intelligence investigations and operations in Europe.

MAJ Ray spent five years as an Instructor at the US Army Intelligence School from 1974 to 1977 and again from 2010 to 2012. He spent eight years Commanding Intelligence units and an additional 12 years as the Special Agent in Charge of Military Intelligence Field Offices in the US and Europe. In 2005 He conducted Human Intelligence Operations in Kuwait for the 513th Military Intelligence Brigade. In 2006 Bill was the CI Coordinating Authority (CICA) for the 101st in Iraq. 2007 and 2008, MAJ Ray was the CI Coordinating Authority for the 3rd Infantry Division in Iraq. 2009, Bill was the CI Coordinating Authority for the 18th Airborne Corp in Iraq. July 2012 to August 2013 he managed all CI Investigations and Source Operations for the 101st Airborne Division in RC-East, Afghanistan. Bill and his wife Sandy live in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin, as do their daughters, Kelley Sadiq and Shannon Brunnett. They also have four sons, two of whom are retired Army Intelligence Soldiers.





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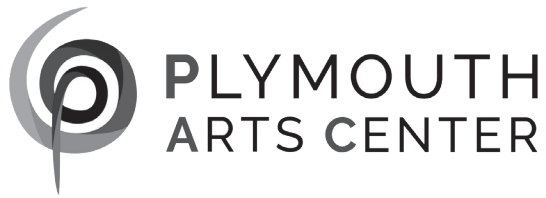
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The festivities begin at 7:30pm in the PAC Greatroom on Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, with live music by the String Along Band. There will be a cheese tasting table and a cash bar. Enjoy complimentary hot cocoa and warm up at the bonfire from 8:30 to 10pm. As this is a family-friendly event, the Big Cheese Drop will be held at 10 PM. Bring your party noisemakers and cheese hats! Gift bags of Sartori Cheese will be distributed to the first 250 families in attendance. After the Big Cheese Drop, music and dancing will continue through 10:30pm.

Executive Director Donna Hahn said, "the Plymouth Arts Center initiated this popular New Year's Eve event back in 2007 to pay tribute to Plymouth's cheese heritage and its thriving industry that still exists today. We greatly appreciate the Sartori Company's generous sponsorship of this event and our organization. We also thank the Plymouth Fire Department for their continued gracious assistance. Special thanks to Greg and Deborah Heberlein for their assistance. The Plymouth Arts Center sends its best wishes to all for very Healthy and Happy New Year!"

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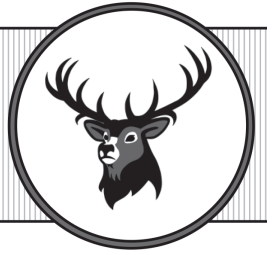
**About the Plymouth Arts Center:** Established in 1993 as a 501c3 non-profit arts organization, the Plymouth Arts Center is Western Sheboygan County's leading arts destination. Its celebrated Gallery 110 North showcases Wisconsin fine artists in changing exhibits. The Gift Shop features original art created by PAC

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The Plymouth Arts Center is located at 520 East Mill Street, downtown, (at the intersection of Eastern, Mill & North.) For more information or to request more information about New Year's Eve or for a schedule of events, please call (920) 892-8409 or visit the PAC website at: [www.plymoutharts.org](http://www.plymoutharts.org)

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This referendum's success marks a tremendous step forward for our entire district, allowing us to enhance our facilities, upgrade our technology, improve safety measures, and make critical repairs. These improvements will not only benefit the current generation of students but will serve generations to come, ensuring that the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District remains a place where families thrive, students excel, and the spirit of community grows stronger.

Your vote reflects a shared vision for our district's future and demonstrates a positive commitment to educational excellence. We are honored by your trust and promise to be thoughtful stewards of the resources you have provided. In the months ahead, we look forward to sharing progress updates and keeping you informed as projects move from planning to completion.

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All events and activities at the Waelderhaus are free to the public. Reservations are not required to visit the Gingerbread Festival. There will be a wheelchair accessible ramp at the Waelderhaus from December 10 through December 23. Complimentary daily tours of the Waelderhaus are offered at 2 PM, 3 PM, and 4 PM (closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, and New Year's Day). Walk-ins are welcome for daily tours.

## 28th Annual Gingerbread Festival Schedule

Waelderhaus - 1100 West Riverside Drive, Kohler, Wis.

**November 29 through December 30, 2024**

Sunday through Friday - 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday - 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



### Musical Performances

2:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays

Please note there are no tours during performances.

- Nov. 30 Golden Chordaliers
- Dec. 1 North High Holidays Strings
- Dec. 7 Concordia Singing Society
- Dec. 8 Plymouth High School Junge Kameraden
- Dec. 14 Cedar Grove-Belgium Rocket Choir
- Dec. 15 Kohler High School Madrigal Singers
- Dec. 21 Random Lake Chamber Singers
- Dec. 22 Max Becker on piano
- Dec. 28 Katherine Ray on harp
- Dec. 29 Lake Effect barbershop quartet

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Reigning over the proceedings were King Tayetum Southworth and Queen Kaitlyn Feldmann. The Resorters defeated the Oakfield Oaks in the annual football game 58-34.



(Front L-R) Charlotte Klapperich, Katelyn Henschel, Ava Conrad, India Boyd, QUEEN Kaitlyn Feldmann, Avery Fullerton (Rear L-R) Lacota Lisowe, Jacob Guerrero, Evan Roth, Brody Feldmann, KING Tayetum Southworth, Logan Martin (spellings have been checked for accuracy) Photo credit LesTension Photo

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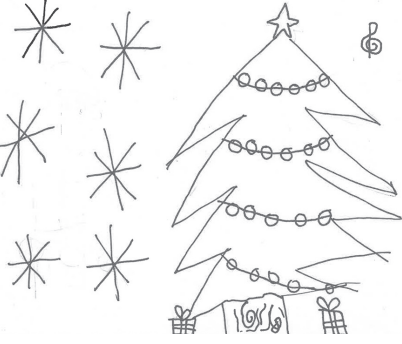
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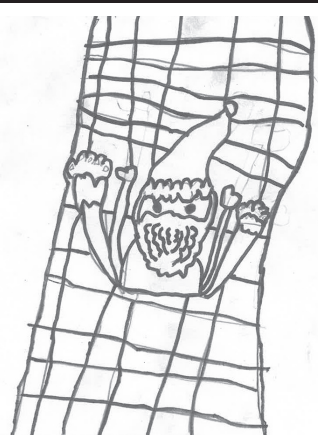

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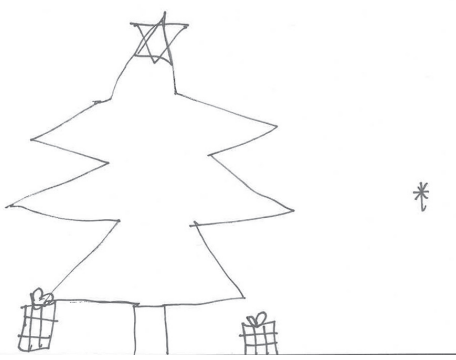

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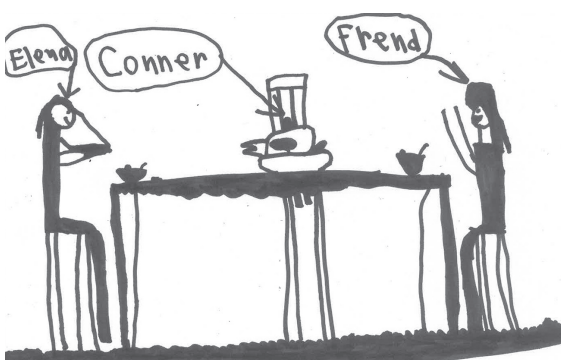


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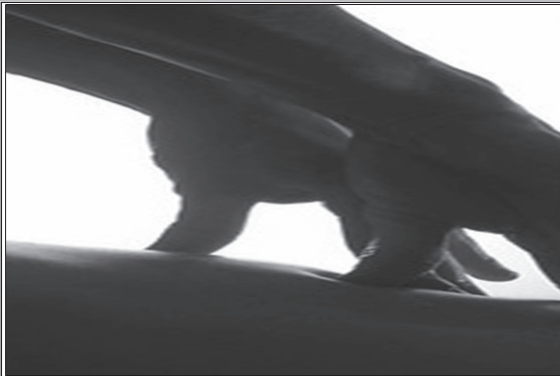


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# Making Spirits Bright

There are many long-held traditions to celebrate the holidays and one that is often mentioned is the Making Spirits Bright drive-through holiday lights show at Evergreen Park in Sheboygan.

The event is filled with themed displays incorporating over a million twinkling lights that are choreographed to music.

Making Spirits Bright is open to the public from 5 to 9 p.m. every night from Friday, Nov. 29 through Tuesday, Dec. 31 (closed Christmas Eve, Dec. 24). That means there are 32 total nights to see the show.

Entrance to Making Spirits Bright continues to be free. Food pantry item donations are requested for the Sheboygan County Food Bank. All donated items are delivered to the Sheboygan County Food Bank each night and their volunteers disburse them to food pantries throughout the county.

The donations come at a time when historically need is the greatest. This year Sheboygan County Food Bank and their partner organizations are seeing an average of 6,000 family visits each month so this event is important for so many people. The grand total of pantry items donated in the past 12 years is over 1.12 million



Making Spirits Bright in Sheboygan provides a memorable family experience for families every year while also helping to support local food pantries year round.

pounds. Items of greatest need this year are cereal, peanut butter, tuna and pasta sauce. Donors are also reminded to watch expiration dates of items.

Visitors to Making Spirits Bright also may choose to contribute a monetary donation at the completion of the route. These funds support the building and refurbishing of displays and other costs associated with this incredible undertaking. Every visitor can receive a complimentary copy of the event booklet from the volunteers in the igloo before exiting the event. The igloo is also where dog treats are offered to furry friends who accompany their owners on the drive through the show.

Making Spirits Bright has been called "one of the best light shows." Visitors who drive the 1.1-mile forested route experience a continuous stream of light displays choreographed to holiday music played on dedicated station 89.1FM on a vehicle's radio. Perennial favorites are Racing

Arches, Whoville, Stars and Northern Lights. New this year is an extremely tall Mount Crumpet in Whoville.

Quarryview Center has been newly named Santa's Station to reflect one of the most popular attractions—Santa. It is open every Friday and Saturday from Nov. 29 through Dec. 21, 5 to 9 p.m. Santa is available to hear children's wishes and is in the ideal setting to capture a holiday photo. While at Santa's Station, visitors can purchase raffle tickets to enter the drawing to win wreaths specially crafted by professional local designers, enjoy complimentary entertainment from local musicians and purchase concessions including cookies, popcorn, hot chocolate, cider and coffee. Santa's Station is the home of The Memory Ornament tree, which features the annual selected ornament that can be customized for \$15. Relaxing with some refreshment in the festive Santa's Station setting is a great way to begin or end a Making Spirits Bright evening.

Boarding for the trolley takes place at Santa's Station. This is a nice option for those who prefer someone else drive them through the lights show, or large groups who want to enjoy it together. The trolley leaves every 45 minutes (from 5:15 to 8:15 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays) and is \$2 per person with children under 1 free. The trolley is fully enclosed, heated and features an old-fashioned style with modern conveniences. Decorative wooden bench seating and the wood and brass interior recreate riding in a streetcar of yesteryear.

Find time to make the drive through Making Spirits Bright. Experience a holiday tradition to excite the spirit while warming the heart through the generosity of contributing food pantry item donations to those who really need the help.

For additional information, visit [MakingSpiritsBright.com](http://MakingSpiritsBright.com).



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# CHAMBER SPOTLIGHT

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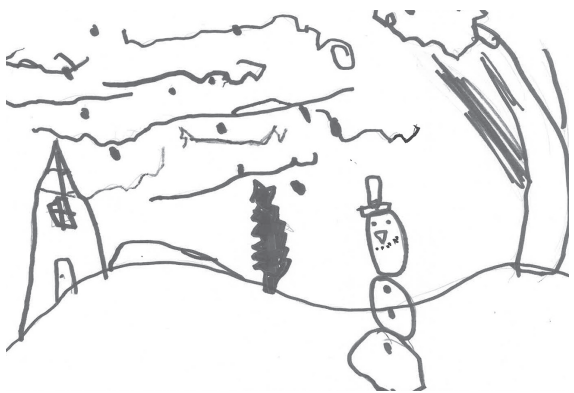


Our November Chamber Member Spotlight is Sheboygan County Economic Development Corporation. The Sheboygan County Economic Development Corporation is a countywide private/public partnership leading economic development efforts to improve the economic well-being and long-term prosperity of the businesses, residents, and communities of Sheboygan County. Recently, SCEDC spearheaded the collaboration with area companies to develop

Founder's Pointe, a 54 - home development, scheduled to be completed in March 2025, to address the housing gap to increase employment throughout the county. SCEDC is also planning a new housing development in Plymouth to create more affordable homes in Sheboygan County.

To find out more about Sheboygan County Economic Development Corporation please visit: [www.someplacebetter.org](http://www.someplacebetter.org)

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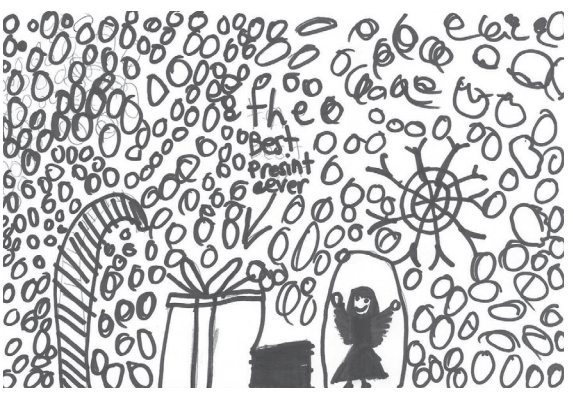
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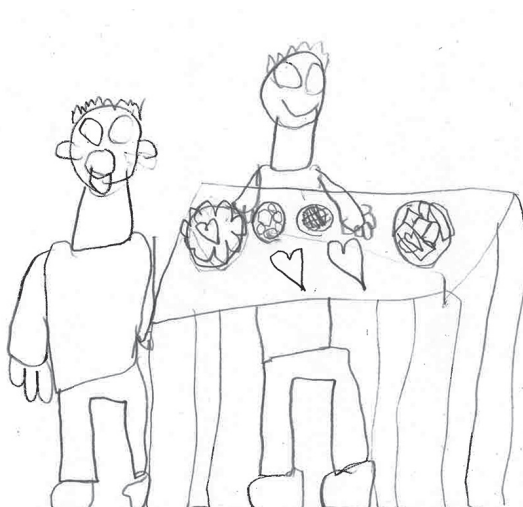
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A lunch buffet will be available 11 a.m. to noon. From noon to 1 p.m., a panel of current first-generation students will share their experiences and answer questions about navigating college.

Topics of discussion will include finding time and money for college, addressing concerns among family and friends, and overcoming doubts about succeeding.

"I deserve a higher education, I deserve a stable future. We all deserve to succeed," says panelist Toni Neuser. Neuser completed Lakeshore's Introduction to Welding certificate in May and is furthering her education in the Welding-Industrial program.

Joining Neuser will be nursing students Amber Madden and Ciara Szydel, and associate of arts student Riyan Lehman.

In addition to the panelists, Lakeshore representatives will be available to answer questions about exploring careers, academic and personal resources, and financial aid.

Registration is requested though not required at [gotoltc.edu/first-gen-event](http://gotoltc.edu/first-gen-event).

## About Lakeshore College

Lakeshore College, formerly known as Lakeshore Technical College, is a comprehensive community and technical



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Approximately 800 students graduate from Lakeshore each year, and associate degree graduates report earning a median salary of \$55,698 within six months of graduating. In addition to the Cleveland campus, Lakeshore educates students at learning campuses in downtown Manitowoc and downtown Sheboygan. Classes are also offered at additional sites throughout the district. Visit Lakeshore at [gotoltc.edu](http://gotoltc.edu).

college educating more than 9,000 students annually. Students enroll at Lakeshore to master real-world, employable career skills and start their pursuit of a bachelor's degree. Lakeshore faculty and staff are focused on providing each student an individualized learning experience.

Lakeshore College is a nationally recognized two-year college. The college was ranked #2 in the nation by Washington Monthly, #17 in the nation by Forbes, #20 in the nation by WalletHub.com, a top-150 two-year college by the Aspen Institute, a 2024 Bellwether Award winner, and named the 2021 Large Business/Industry of the Year by the Chamber of Manitowoc County.

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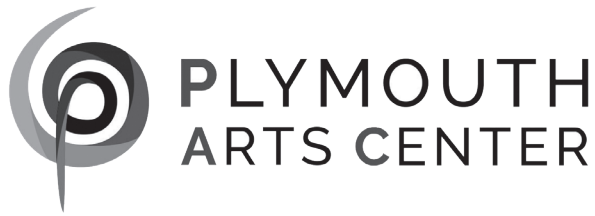
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The performances will be held Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evening, January 9-11, 2025 at 7:30, and on Sunday, January 12 at 2:30pm. Tickets for reserved table seating are \$20 per person (tax incl.) and are available at the Plymouth Arts Center box office, 520 East Mill Street, Plymouth. Call 920-892-8409 or order online through the Plymouth Arts Center website: [www.plymoutharts.org](http://www.plymoutharts.org)

The production team includes: Bonnie and Dean Jaeger, Sound and Lighting Design; Eileen Brooks and Kathy Stoltenberg, Costumes.

### About the Show

The internationally popular game is now a fun-filled musical that brings the world’s best-know suspects to life and invites the audience to help solve the mystery: Who killed Mr. Boddy, in what room, and with what weapon? The audience receives forms to help them deduce the solution from clues given throughout the fun-filled evening. Three

audience choose from cards representing the potential murderers, weapons, and rooms; there are 216 possible solutions! Only one hard-nosed female detective is qualified to unravel the merry mayhem. Comic antics, witty lyrics, and a beguiling score carry the investigation from room to room.

### About the Directors

Mike Schulz and Herb Stoltenberg directed The Plymouth High school musicals for over 25 years. They are now collaborating on this production for the PAC.

### About the Plymouth Arts Center

The Plymouth Arts Center is well-known throughout Wisconsin for its lively schedule of events showcasing local and regional visual and performing artists. Signature events include the Cheese Capital Jazz & Blues Crawl, the nationally acclaimed, “Sartori Big Cheese Drop” New Year’s Party, the Northern Moraine Spring Art Tour in greater Sheboygan County, “Mill Street Live” summer musical series, and Paint the Towns in Fall Color, to name a few. The PAC is registered as a 501(c)3 charitable non-profit arts organization.

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# Christmas Gift Tree lends a helping hand

Over the past thirteen years, Grace Lutheran Church, Elkhart Lake, has worked together with a number of local businesses to bring a little extra Christmas cheer to families who are hit hard by tough economic times. 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 Thursday, November 21, Grace Lutheran plans to erect and decorate trees at each of these locations; Off the Rail, National Exchange Bank, Vintage Elkhart Lake, Cleveland State Bank 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. 15 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 to Grace Lutheran or the location where you selected the ornament by December 15.

Elkhart Lake has shown its generosity through these programs and stepped forward once again in 2023 to help numerous families in Elkhart Lake and Glenbeulah.

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

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