

# Hazelhurst Highlights

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Jean McTaggart sent some photos from the Ice Cream Social, at which the juniors appeared to be helping...



...until it was discovered later that they were actually stealing and hoarding treats for themselves!

## FROM THE CAMP CHAIR

By: Larry Bergman

It appears that we will have a very full schedule in the up coming Siteholders Meeting. Camp Council has been working on reviewing a cleaning up language in the current Camp Rules. As this maybe time consuming I would like to streamline as much as possible. If you have an up date to your committee reporting please send it in by Aug 8 so that I can include it in the hand outs. If you need to speak please let me know so I can be sure not to miss you.

If you are not able to attend but wish to join in the meeting via Phone Conference the number to call is:

888-204-5987 Code 9205800

Finally, there are a number of important votes scheduled on rule changes and the caretaker's compensation. If you cannot attend in person or via teleconference, please arrange to be represented by proxy. Any member of the Prairie Club can serve as your proxy. Proxies must be submitted in writing or via email to the camp chair prior to the meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you there,

## JENS JENSEN PRESERVE

By: Mike Kozubek

The Jens Jensen Preserve contains a high quality hardwood forest featuring towering oak, maple, beech and tulip along with some seasonal wetlands. It is also part of an open space corridor stretching from Warren Dunes State Park to Cherry Beach Road, including Pepperidge Dunes, to which it is directly adjacent. These corridors provide uninterrupted canopy for migratory bird flyways, allowing natural habitat for the birds to rest and feed during their journeys up and down the lakeshore in the spring and fall.

Enjoy the scenery and pick-up a tip or two about nature photography.

Jens Jensen is located on Parkway Drive just off Red Arrow Highway near Sawyer. Parkway is a gravel road ½ mile south of Holloway Drive (Sawyer Road). Sawyer Highlands Church is on the corner. Turn onto Parkway and follow it to the preserve sign. Park along the road (FYI, there is poison ivy along the road).

## NEW LOOK FOR RED BARN POSTERS

By: Ellen Elrick

Have you noticed the new look for many of the Barn event posters? Many thanks to Kati PPool who volunteered to design posters for many of our Barn programs this summer. Kati is a 2016 graduate of Columbia College with a Bachelor of Arts in Illustration and a friend of the Oravec family. Check out her website: <http://www.lkillustrations.com>

## PEACE TOWARD MEN (AND WOMEN) OF GOODWILL

By: Leo Krusack

The other day I drove into New Buffalo to drop off an old sweater and pair of pants at Goodwill. A nice looking woman was working near the door. I asked her, "Does Goodwill launder clothes that are brought in for donation?" Her answer was, "No, all clothes go directly onto the sales rack as is." I asked her if Goodwill accepts sheets and pillowcases. She said yes, and they also accept blankets and mattresses, but not box springs. (I forgot to ask about pillows.)

Goodwill accepts cardboard, but not televisions or anything with a flat screen. Old blue jeans that are too ragged to wear are sold to a company that shreds the cloth and recycles it into insulation. Items deemed too beaten up or broken down for the American market are shipped to Third World countries for distribution. I'm sure there is much more that the nice woman and I didn't talk about. The point is that almost nothing that comes into Goodwill is discarded or goes to waste.

I think that's pretty cool.

## ANONYMOUS SAYS:

With the new bathrooms open, we must all take responsibility in keeping them new. Please keep in mind to turn off the lights when you leave, close the door behind you, and try not to make too big of a mess. There have already been incidents of papertowels on the floor and the toilets not being flushed. We are to all do our part!

And remember to give the ferns a drink as well!

## AS EASY AS FINDING A NEEDLE IN A CHARCOAL GRILL



By: Jean McTaggart

My 9 year old guest alerted her mom to this needle. We took it home to dispose of safely. Please take your garbage with you.

## SPOTLIGHT ON COTTAGE 35

By: Rob Burton

Jane and Bob Burton became members in 1958 and enjoyed renting #35 from the Millers for many years until they bought it in 1972. We also rented other cottages before that time. My parents enjoyed participating in Red Barn plays and other Barn programs. My Mother is known to be the only one to get a road moved in Hazelhurst, as it was too close to our cottage bathroom. Bob Burton enjoyed playing golf with Carl Welch, Bud Miller, John McKee and other members. The best times spent were always at the beach. My brother, John, and I were lucky to have both cousins from both sides of our family here with cottages too. My parents made lifelong friendships at Hazelhurst, as have I!

### DID you KNOW?

Two raccoons diverged upon a highway. One chose a lane less traveled, the other chose a lane traveled by my car, and that has made all the difference.

## BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

By: Layton Olson

**SHIFTING SANDS: ON THE PATH TO SUSTAINABILITY**, an inspiring video history of the saving of the Indiana Dunes, including the role of the Prairie Club, will be shown again in the Red Barn on Friday August 11, 2017, 8:00-9:00 p.m. Popcorn and other refreshments will be served. Appropriate for 12 and older.

Produced in 2016 by longtime Great Lakes advocate Lee Botts, and by Indiana Public TV, The State of Indiana and Community Foundation partners. The film illustrates the many steps taken from the beginning of oil refining in Whiting, Indiana, in the 1880's, to the arrival of Henry Chandler Cowles as dune habitat researcher at the University of Chicago, to today's community activities, through the long struggle to balance nature and industry in a complex, fragile and globally significant ecosystem.

SHIFTING SANDS was shown as part of last year's 100th Anniversary of the National Parks Service celebration at the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore. PLEASE COME: everyone who loves the dunes, everyone who belongs to

the Prairie Club and everyone who took part in the struggle for the dunes, whose descendants many of us are.

Thanks to Barbara and Bill Wimsatt for the video and making the suggestion. Shifting Sands on the Path to Sustainability, is available for \$24.95 from Northern Indiana's Lakeshore Public Television at: <http://lakeshorepublicmedia.org/>

## OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

September 2, 2017, 10:00 a.m. Red Barn

## ECO-BARON CONSERVATION?

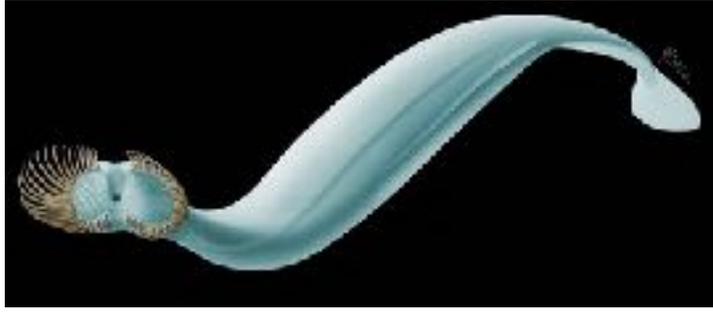
By: Layton Olson

Patagonia, Burt's Bees, Electric Cars, Santa Monica BayKeepers, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Texas Sea Turtles, Polar Bear campaign, John McCain's and Ted Turner's ranches in Montana, New Mexico and Colorado, are all part of primarily private-sector initiated, 'world scale,' natural habitat reserves from the tip of South America through the mountains of Mexico, US and Canada, and into the New England-Canadian Maritimes. All are profiled in Eco-Barons: The Dreamers, Schemers, and Millionaires Who are Saving Our Planet by Edward Humes (HarperCollins 2009) in Hazelhurst Library.

In the absence of federal leadership on the environment, the founders of North Face, Espirit, Patagonia and Burt's Bees goods, and Ted Turner have, in the past 30 years, purchased several million acres of key desert, lowlands and mountainous terrain, lived on it, reintroduced endangered species, like bison, and have planned its eco-friendly stewardship for generations to come. Much of it has been donated to state and national parks, or kept in fishing and hunting preserves, such as the Tejon Ranch Conservancy between Los Angeles and the Central Valley, and in major additions to the Maine Woods and Acadia National Park announced in 2016 as part of National Park Service centennial.

The Center for Biodiversity's program, Saving the Polar Bear, has so far succeeded in preserving the polar bear's protected status and continues to uphold the Endangered Species Act. State of California's CalEPA has continued to work for economically competitive, job-creating environmental management through the development of

solar and wind energy in preparation for the transition to electric and self-driving vehicles under both Republican and Democratic governors.



## CAPITNATATOR PRAETERMISSUS

By: Layton Olson

Long before dinosaurs roamed the Earth, a bizarre little creature with a spiky head swam the seas. Scientists recently uncovered fossils of a tiny faceless prehistoric sea worm with 50 spines jutting out of its head. When some unsuspecting critter came close, its jaw-like spines snapped together and dinner was served.

The new creature named, Capitnatator Praetermissus is not only a new species, but a new genus (a larger grouping of life) as well. It was 4 inches long and its spines were about one-third of an inch long. It feasted on plankton and shrimp-like creatures. It is an ancestor of a group of marine arrow worms called chaetognatha, which are abundant in the world's oceans today. The prehistoric version was larger and with more spines, but without the specialized teeth of today's sea worms.

The discovery was reported in a recent issue of Current Biology journal, in an article by a Yale University team that discovered the fossils in two national parks in British Columbia, Canada.

## IN SO MANY WORDS: PART III

By: Rick Krumbacher

Flying west on S.R. 2 one bright autumnal day in my red Dodge van, I curved sharply to the right and popped up over a small rise. At that instant, I saw a squirrel sitting on its haunches in the grass, no more than a few feet from the pavement, gnawing a nut. At the same instant, the squirrel saw me. Our eyes locked. A bolt of adrenalin shot through the squirrel as I hurtled towards it a 60 m.p.h. Instantly the squirrel was on all fours, nut clenched in its jaws, tail stiffly bushed out, ready to flee. The squirrel stared at me. I

stared at the squirrel. Then, the squirrel calmly sat back up on its haunches and resumed gnawing its nut.

I went past so closely that the wind whistling off my van ruffled the squirrel's fur. Looking back in the mirror, I saw the squirrel still there, still gnawing its nut. And that is why I disagree with the theory that language is necessary for thought. The squirrel clearly overruled an instinctual fear response, demonstrating the very essence of cognition. The squirrel obviously knew that whatever my van was, it would only travel on the pavement – it wouldn't chase it across the yard and up tree. The squirrel was aware that it was not on the pavement and hence, chose not to flee because my van was not a threat.

Squirrels can produce a wide variety of highly expressive vocalizations, but do not have language in the sense that humans do. Yet obviously, they can think. There of course a veritable surfeit of scientific studies which prove the same thing much more authoritatively, but without the charming details. Humans have difficulty conceiving of non-verbal thought only because so many millennia have passed since we became dependent on words.

## IN MEMORIUM Sunday, August 13, 1:30 p.m.

By: Janice Johnson

A memorial for the loss of the following people from our Hazelhurst community will be held in the Barn at 1:30 PM on Sunday, August 13, 2017. All are welcome to attend.

Bob Burton, John Lambros, Otto Becker, Joan Buchele, Pat Peschel, Tony Longo, Bob Nielsen and Carl Welch

## RED BARN READER'S THEATRE

By: Layton Olson

A bittersweet comedy by A.R. Gurney 'The Cocktail Hour' is about an affluent WASP family. During a long evening of drinking, a family comes to terms with painful truths and misconceptions. By our own Readers Theater, Saturday August 19 at 8 pm at the Red Barn.

## Classic DID you KNOW?

A guy who owns a Ford may not be a trouble maker, but he usually is trying to start something.

## 2017 BARN PROGRAMS August Events

**August 11 (Friday)** "Shifting Sands" video telling the story of saving the Indiana Dunes.

**August 12** Travel Program—Nepal & Bernie & Beth Dahl will share photos and stories from China along with Doug & Ellen's photos and stories from Nepal.

**August 13 (Sunday)** Memorial Service at the Red Barn **1:30 p.m.**

**August 19** Reader's Theatre – Jim and Mary White, Annette Robinson and Layton Olson

**August 26** "Cuba—Beyond the Classic Cars" – Christine and Mark Sever

All evening Barn events begin at **8:00 p.m. Eastern Time**, except as noted.

Thanks to: Ellen Elrick & Janice Johnson

## HAZELHURST BOOK CLUB READINGS FOR 2017:

All meetings at 8:00 p.m.

"The Heart of the Matter," Graham Green  
Hosted by: Annette Robinson  
August 17, 2017

"A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains,"  
by Isabella Bird  
Hosted by: Mary White  
August 31, 2017

## BERRIEN COUNTY YOUTH FAIR AUGUST 14-17 MON-FRI, BERRIEN SPRINGS

By: Layton Olson

Baking competitions, agriculture and products 'made in Berrien,' including the best blueberry pies - a native species which does well in our Lake Effect environment.

Entertainment stages, carnival rides and fun for the whole family. Day passes: Adults \$7, Youth (5-12) \$4, Seniors (over 65) \$5

## DUNES THEATRE, MICHIGAN CITY (219) 879-7509

### THE MOUSETRAP

A Play by Agatha Christie  
Directed by Leigh Selting

August 10 through 20

Performances are Thursday/Friday/Saturdays 7:00 p.m.  
& Sundays 2:00 p.m.

A group of strangers, one of whom is a murderer, is stranded in a boarding house during a fierce snowstorm. Suspects include a couple who run the house, a curious spinster, an architect, a retired Army major, a strange little man, and a jurist who makes everyone miserable. They are soon joined by a policeman who arrives on skis. The policeman no sooner arrives when the jurist and two others are murdered. The ever-diligent policeman probes the background of everyone present and rattles a lot of skeletons. A big crowd pleaser, *The Mousetrap* is the longest running play in the world.

## VICKERS THEATRE, THREE OAKS (269) 756-3522

### MEGAN LEAVEY

**Synopsis:** MEGAN LEAVEY is based on the true life story of marine corporal (Kate Mara) whose unique discipline and bond with her military combat dog saved many lives during their deployment in Iraq. When assigned to clean the K9 unit after a disciplinary hearing, Leavey identifies with a particularly aggressive dog, Rex, and is given the chance to train him. Over the course of their service, Megan and Rex completed more than 100 missions until an IED explosion injures them, jeopardizing their fate. Directed by Gabriela Cowperthwaite from a screenplay by Pamela Gray and Annie Mumolo & Tim Lovestedt, the film also stars Edie Falco, Ramón Rodríguez, Bradley Whitford, and Common.

PG-13 (for war violence, language, suggestive material, and thematic elements)

**2017 COMMUNITY EVENTS AT SILVER  
BEACH COUNTY PARK**

101 Broad Street, St. Joseph, MI 49085 [\(269\) 982-0533](tel:2699820533)  
**Southwest Michigan Symphony Orchestra Concerts:**

**Friday, August 11, 2017 Saturday, August 12, 2017**

**Saturday, September 23, 2017 - [Household Chemical  
and Electronics Recycling Collection](#), 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**



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