

Hazelhurst Highlights

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CORRECTED NOTICE:

2017 Barn Programs

Saturday Nights...plus a Friday:

All are invited!

July Events

July 1 Independence Day Celebration: potluck cook-out (\$4.00 per person) farmhouse slab – **6 : 0 0 p.m. Eastern Time.**

July 8 Square Dance--Teresa Berger, caller

July 15 Variety Show—Join the fun!

July 22 Conservation speaker Chad Hughson, owner of Hidden Savannah Nursery, Kalamazoo--with potluck dinner preceding the talk

July 28 (Friday) An Evening of Songs-- Willem Lutter, guitar

July 29 An Evening with Alice Pixley Young, artist

August Events

August 5 Ice Cream Social—time TBA

August 12 Travel Program--Nepal

August 19 “Summer Nocturne”

Charlie McKelvy, clarinet and Dorothy Simmons, piano

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

Thanks to: Ellen Elrick & Janice Johnson

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Lauren Scott, age 10 (Elrick grandchild), enjoys a beach book on.....the beach!

HIGH WATER!

By: Layton Olson

Lake Michigan's water level is higher than it has been for years, resulting in beach erosion in Chicago and Southern Lake Michigan. According to a Chicago neighborhood newspaper report, the water level in May 2017 stood at 580 feet above sea level, a full foot above the average of 579 for the month. It is also 4 feet higher than in January 2013 when it stood at 576, according to US Army Corps of Engineers.

The Corps predicts water will remain high this summer, when water levels tend to peak. Rainfall plays a large role, as Chicago had nearly double the amount of normal rain in March (up to 4 inches from average 2.5 inches) and April (up to 6.43 inches from an average of 3.38 inches). Parts of Michigan and Indiana have had 2 or 3 inches more in rain this year as well.

Two pieces of solace: Several days of very warm early June temperatures have brought earlier swimming water. And, we are still below the record high lake level of 1986, when it was 2 feet higher.

LIBRARY WELCOME!

By: Phyllis Pelletier

The camp library opened its doors on June 19th and will be open each Monday and Thursday, 10 until 2, and Saturday, 10 until 12, throughout the summer. We will close on Labor Day. Please stop over to see what's on our shelves. Books can be checked out for two weeks and can be returned by dropping them off in the large slotted box in the mailroom. Also, we will have a short meeting for our volunteer staff in the Barn directly after Monday Morning coffee on July 3rd. The meeting will last 22 minutes. Thanks in advance for your time.

2017 HAZELHURST LIBRARY HOURS:

June 20 – 25, 2017: Monday, Thursday, Saturday:
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

June 27 – August 20, 2017: Monday, Thursday, Saturday:
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

August 20 – 29, 2017: Monday, Thursday, Saturday:
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

THE BEACH WALK NEEDS YOU TOMORROW!

June 24, 2017 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time

Hazelhurst Beach Walk chair, Mike Clancy, is looking for volunteers this Saturday, June 24th to help with:

BEACH BOARD REPLACEMENT & REMOVAL

Please come to the beach Saturday morning 9-10amEST to help replace sections of beach boards. There are 12 sections to be replaced. If possible please bring a shovel and / or hard rake.

The existing board sections need to be taken up and dropped at the parking / drop off area next to the beach bulletin board. We need young volunteers for this.

Thank you in advance for anyone that can help Mike with this project (or help yourself with Camp Service hours – your call).

JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT IT WAS SEICHE TO GO BACK IN THE WATER...

By: Patricia Craig

I thoroughly enjoyed the article on “Seiche Warning”! We have had seiches at Hazelhurst since that time. In the mid-1970s, my sister Mary and I were asleep in our cottage when we both awoke to a very loud boom that came from the beach. Because we owned a Hobie Cat that we had worked very hard to obtain, we knew we needed to check the beach.

We ran to the beach. Standing on top of the dune, near the tree where we used to keep beach chairs, we saw what looked like a tornado touch down about 200 yards out in the lake. After that, we saw the sand at the bottom of the lake being exposed. It was amazing. I had never really thought about how deep the water was at that point, but it must have been 25' deep. We literally saw the bottom of the lake exposed.

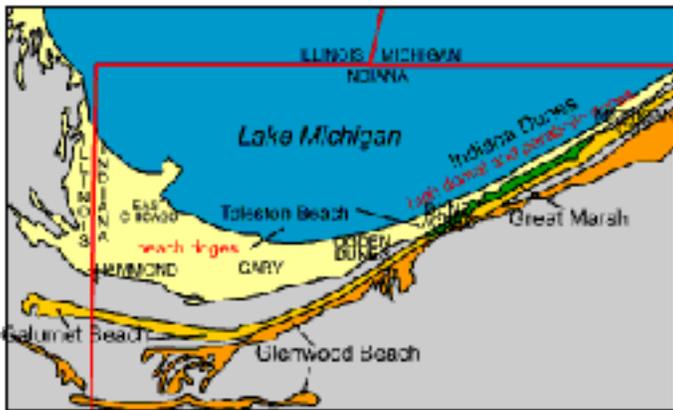
Then, in an instant the spout pulled up into the low dark clouds and the storm moved quickly to the north, out into the lake.

Where boats were kept, we saw a tangled mass of boats, masts, wires and canvas. Our boat was one of those turned upside down with the mast stuck in the sand. As

we were trying to untangle the dangerous mass, a teenager ran up and asked us if we had seen his Hobie Cat as he was unable to find anything!

We ran with him down to the Birchwood Creek. We found his boat 150 yards up the creek, upside down with the mast in the sand. By the time we got back to Hazelhurst, other boat owners were there trying to carefully untangle the mess. Our boat was relatively unharmed but there were quite a few bent masts and torn canvases on the other boats.

Clearly, we had just witnessed a seiche on Lake Michigan! It was an outstanding experience, as we had grown up on this lake and had never seen anything like it before or since!



Map of northwestern Indiana showing major shorelines. Modified from Scriver and Keller (1970).

FROM TOLESTON BEACH TO GLENWOOD BEACH BY CAR

By Rick Krumbacher

Take Three Oaks Road to Three Oaks, turn left at the light. Highway 12 runs dead east towards the rising sun over fields so flat you can just discern the curvature of the earth, interrupted periodically by sharp ridges, like gravel waves on an ocean of fertile soil. A series of small hills and valleys as you approach the town of Galien, and then the road snakes through scrub trees and scattered houses. Suddenly, you round one last bend and face a straight climb several hundred feet up the face of a massive, dark forested ridge. The ridge tops out in a couple of peaks and then you dive back down to ground level beside Dayton Lake.

Dayton Lake used to be a series of lakes, ponds and bays, many of which have silted up and turned to grass or woods in my lifetime. Dayton Lake was and continues to be the headwaters of the Galien River,

which meanders its way casually across much of Berrien County, finally spilling into the lake at New Buffalo. Amazingly, the tiny, nascent Galien carved its path through the massive ridge just west of Dayton Lake. The ridges between Three Oaks and Dayton Lake are gravel and sand deposits left behind by the Michigan lobe of the Laurentide Ice sheet as it advanced and retreated over the last 20,000 years.

In other words, by the time you reach Dayton Lake, traveling east from Three Oaks, you will have crossed what was once the edge of the Arctic ice cap. The big ridge west of Dayton Lake is part of a series of glacial moraines known as Glenwood Beach. West of there lie another series of moraines known as Calumet Beach. The current shoreline of Lake Michigan is known as Toleston Beach, though that term usually refers to the formation at the south end of the lake, in and on either side of the Indiana Dunes. Each of these "beaches" are made up of material scraped out by the glacier from what was once a river valley and which is now Lake Michigan.

About 10,000 years ago, the Michigan Lobe retreated into Canada, releasing pent up waters and dropping the level of Lake Michigan as much as 100 feet below where it is today. This is known as the Chippewa Phase and it lasted about 4,000 years. During this phase, the land around and under Lake Michigan began slowly rising as the crushing weight of an ice sheet up to two miles thick had gone.

Lake level began to rise again however, and by 5,500 years ago, the lake was about 23 feet higher than it is now. The constant rise and fall of water level created a series of sand ridges along the south shore, which for a time trapped a large lagoon between them. Water from this lagoon forced its way westward and then curving around, pushed its way out through what is now known as the Grand Calumet River, thereby draining the lagoon though leaving behind a network of ponds and bogs known as the Great Marsh.

Speaking of the former extent of Arctic ice...

WEDNESDAY MORNING 10:00 a.m.
PLAY DATES WITH NATURE

Resuming June 28, 2017: Check the mail house bulletin board for open dates, or **volunteer to lead one.**

These are very casual, intergenerational fun activities for anyone who loves enjoy Nature.

Here's the line-up at the time of writing:

June 28: Patrick Gilligan --- "Rediscovering the Pond"

July 5: (open)

July 12: Lynne (Elrick) Scott --- TBD

July 19: Zoe Elrick --- trip to a local prairie restoration project

July 26: (open)

Aug 2: Mike Kozubek --- an in-camp nature walk in the Japanese tradition called a "ginko walk" - where all ages observe, experience, write and enjoy simple haiku-style poetry

To volunteer or ask a question, contact Sharon Lemler slemler@gmail.com

FREE CONCERT SERIES BEGINS

Bridgman's Weko Beach every other Sunday concerts begin Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the pavilion, featuring free park access and concert. The concert series continues July 9 & July 23, August 6 & 20, finishing up on September 3.

DUNES THEATRE, MICHIGAN CITY
(219) 879-7509

I Hate Hamlet

06/22/2017 7:00 pm - 06/25/2017 6:00 pm

06/29/2017 7:00 pm - 07/02/2017 6:00 pm.

TV actor Andrew Rally struggles with the dream role of Hamlet, while dealing with a girlfriend who is keeping a grip on her chastity. The ghost of actor John Barrymore comes back to earth to convince the star to accept the role of Hamlet. Barrymore is very convincing, especially after an animated sword fight. But when offered a role in a high-paying television pilot, Andrew is conflicted. Will he go for the big pay check or risk facing the same dilemma that haunts Barrymore beyond his grave?

HAZELHURST BOOK CLUB READINGS
FOR 2017:

All meetings at 8:00 p.m.

"The River of Doubt," by Candice Miller

Hosted by: Carol Gapen

July 6, 2017

"Hillbilly Elegy," by J.D. Vance

Hosted by: Sue Tingle

July 20, 2017

"The Underground Railroad," by Colson Whitehead

Hosted by: Mary Swanton

August 3, 2017

"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

VICKERS THEATRE, THREE OAKS
(269) 756-3522

A QUIET PASSION

June 16 through June 26, 2017. Rated PG

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Synopsis: Cynthia Nixon delivers a triumphant performance as Emily Dickinson, as she personifies the wit, intellectual independence and pathos of the poet whose genius only came to be recognized after her death. British director Terence Davies, evokes Dickinson's deep attachment to her family, along with the manners, mores and spiritual convictions of her time that she struggled with and transcended in her poetry.

"If you give a man a fish, he will eat for a day; if you teach a man to fish, his wife will never see him again." - **Pseudo Confucius**

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MONDAY MORNING COFFEES BEGIN
JULY 3, 2017

And continues every Monday morning, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Red Barn, through Monday, September 4, 2017. All Mondays have been claimed by volunteer hosts except for July 10, 2017 – an excellent opportunity to have some fun and do some good. After all, many of us are becoming sociable in our old age.

2017 COMMUNITY EVENTS AT SILVER BEACH COUNTY PARK

101 Broad Street, St. Joseph, MI 49085 [\(269\) 982-0533](tel:2699820533)

Tuesday, July 4, 2017 - Southwest Michigan Symphony Orchestra Concert

Saturday, July 8, 2017 - Smooth Jazz at Sunset

**Friday, July 14, 2017 - Southwest Michigan S y m-
phony Orchestra Concert**

**Saturday, July 15, 2017 - Southwest Michigan S y m-
phony Orchestra Concert**

**Saturday, July 29, 2017 - Southwest Michigan S y m-
phony Orchestra Concert**

Saturday, August 5, 2017 - Summer Jam

**Friday, August 11, 2017 - Southwest Michigan S y m-
phony Orchestra Concert**

**Saturday, August 12, 2017 - Southwest Michigan S y m-
phony Orchestra Concert**

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

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We like stories, poems, news, etc., related to Hazelhurst and Hazelhursters.

Please remember that shorter articles are more likely to be read...and we do reserve the right to edit! Send your submissions to:

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