

APRIL 2025

AROUND THE SHORES

NEWSLETTER

LIBRARY NOTES by Janey

The Library has been refreshed! You will find more space for member's favorites - Fiction and Mystery. Thank you to Melanie for her help moving those books to the four recessed sections of the bookcases. Some of the other categories were rearranged to utilize space better. Shelves are labeled.

When I thought I was not going to have many donations to share with you six excellent new books were donated! And a promise of more to come! Rumor is two of our members who went south this winter were lacking a library card and just had to buy books! We win - thanks!

Here is the list of all books donated this month and remember they are first put on the desk by the window for about two months.

MYSTERY:

Long Bright River by Liz Moore

The Collector by Daniel Silva

FICTION:

The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo-T. Reid

Still Life by Sarah Winman

Distant Shores by Kristan Hannah

One Summer In Savannah by Torah Harris

NONFICTION:

Three Wild Dogs by Markus Zusak

The Boys In the Boat by Daniel J. Brown

COOKBOOKS :

150 Recipes in a 9x13 pan - Gooseberry

Mad About Macarons by Jill Colonna- fun book to look at even if not baking!

APRIL SMILERS

Whenever I see chocolate, I hear
TWO voices in my head.
One of them says, "Eat the
chocolate,"
and the other one says,
"You heard her...eat the
chocolate!"

I'm so jealous of people.
Who knows how to shut up.
I shut up and the
subtitles come
out on my face.

Some people call it multitasking.
I call it doing something else
until I remember what I was going
to
do in the first place.

The doctor said I have high
nitrates,
So I'm switching to day rates.

The funny thing about getting
older
is your eyesight is getting weaker,
but your ability to see through
people
is getting stronger.

Dodie Bedell
#309

April 2025 Birthdays at Michigan Shores

17 – Bill D. (310)
19 – Carol K. (306)
27 – Linda M. (308)
28 – Betsie N. (209)

Happy Birthday from all of us! If
we missed your birthday, we are
sorry and please let the office
know.

Members Photo Board

There is a member's photo board
across from the kitchen on the first
floor. We encourage members to
have their photos taken and put on
this board, it is a great way for
your neighbors to put a name to
their face, and for prospective
members to see who already lives
here that they may know.

See me to get a photo taken in the
lobby.

Thanks!

~ Shirley R. (Office)

**Annual Meeting – April 24th,
2025 at 10:30 a.m. in The Great
Room, MSC.**

Annual Meeting packets will be distributed on March 24th, 2025. If you are in the building, you will have one delivered to your unit, if you are out of town, we can either mail one to you or e-mail one to you. Please let us know your preference.

A complimentary luncheon will be served after the meeting.

A quorum is required to conduct business, so please attend if you can.

~ Shirley R. (Office)

**Events & Special Dates in April
2025**

02 – Stories that Heal, 10 a.m. in the Great Room (2nd session)

03 – BSR Footcare clinic in the Exercise room from 1 p.m. – 6 p.m. (Exercise room closed during clinic)

04-11th – Shirley off

18 – Good Friday – No staff

20 – Easter

21 – Easter Monday – no staff

24 – Annual Meeting in The Great Room at 10:30 a.m. followed by

complimentary luncheon
29-30 – Shirley off

**Shorebirds Great Room Table
Decorations**

As part of our ongoing efforts to create a warm and welcoming atmosphere, we are looking for volunteers to decorate the 4 dining room tables in The Great Room in June, July, August, September and October 2025.

Whether you have a knack for arranging flowers, crafting, or simply enjoy bringing a smile to others, the tables are a blank canvas for your centerpieces.

Have fun with it!

There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board across from the 1st floor kitchen.

Thank you for helping. There are a few months also open for kitchen laundry.

~ Shirley R. (office)

Somebody Has to Help

Somebody has to help
the sidewalk
worms,
half-drowned, half-lost,
stretched thin on pavement like
question marks,
asking "what now?"

Somebody has to save them, to
stoop
to lift something so small
it hardly seems to matter,
except, of course, it does.

Somebody has to believe in the
saving of
things,
not for reward or applause,
but for the wild holiness
of noticing.

And maybe no one will ever see.
No cameras, no crowds, no
speeches.
But the ground remembers
where they've stepped,
and something on this earth is
softer because of it.

Brad Montague
~ Dodie B. (309)

Book Club

On Monday after Easter, April 21st, the Michigan Shores Book Club will meet as usual in the Gertie Bell room (3rd floor board room) at 3:00PM. Every resident is invited to our informal conversation on the book "at hand". This month is *CATCHER IN THE RYE* which many of us read sixty or more years ago. It's become something of a classic so a reread with our added years of wisdom could lead to an interesting discussion. Please join us!

~ Carol E. (215)

POMH Speaker

Kristi Johnson, the CEO and head of nursing at Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital (POMH) is coming to Michigan Shores on Wednesday, April 16th, at 10:00am. She'll share an overview of POMH's services from the physician group to long term care, etc.

Kristi grew up in Benzie County and is the daughter of Randy and Carol Dye, the former owners of the Sail Inn Restaurant in Benzonia.

~ Carol E. (215)

Meet your new neighbor in Unit 207

Linda Moorey Kehr

I was raised in Livonia, Michigan and have lived in various Michigan locations before settling in Benzie County. I am a graduate of the University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University and Cooley Law School.

In 1980 I moved to Beulah with my (late) husband Charlie where he had a dental practice and I had a law practice. We do not have children. We spent much time travelling around the world, often on scuba diving trips. Charlie spent summers sailing on Lake Michigan while I preferred dry land and my garden. We were both involved in many ways with our community and professional organizations.

I still practice law part-time but also find time to travel and other recreational activities. I have been involved with various local non-profits as a board member and/or volunteer, including Habitat for Humanity, BACN and Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy. I am currently on the grant-making committee of the Grand Traverse Regional Community Foundation.

Submitted February 26th, 2025



Michigan Shores Cooperative
Annual Meeting Agenda
April 24, 2025, 10:30 a.m. in The Great Room

Approval of the Minutes of the April 25th, 2024 Annual Meeting .

Report of Nominating Committee

Election of Directors

Three to serve 3-year terms

Cooperative Manager's Report

Board Presidents Report

Treasurer's Report

Other Business

Results of Election

Adjournment

Complimentary luncheon to follow directly after the Annual Meeting, in The Great Room.



MICHIGAN SHORES COOPERATIVE OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

The Founding Organization -

Community Retirement Housing Association -

Provisional Board:

Larry Good

Marion Hanson

Richard Hanson

Thomas Hook - Vice President and Treasurer

Kenneth Howe (replaced 11/02/90 by Don Minard)

H. Telfer Mook - President

Dorothy Lyons - Secretary

The Subsequent Michigan Shores Boards -

December 7, 1991 - (In accordance with Article IV, Section 3 of the By-laws, in our first year 3 people were elected to a 3 yr. term, 2 to a 2 yr. term and 2 to a 1 yr. term. At the expiration of the initial terms successors will be elected for 3-yr. terms.)

Gil Danielson	(1991 - 94)		3 yr. term
Art Jackson	(1991 - 94)	President	3 yr. term
Neva Schalm	(1991 - 94)		3 yr. term
Ed Carr	(1991 - 93)	Treasurer	2 yr. term
Dort Groth	(1991 - 93)	Vice President	2 yr. term
Al Hyams	(1991 - 92)	Secretary	1 yr. term
Ed Lau	(1991 - 92)		1 yr. term

April 23, 1992 - (was year to elect two people) *

Al Hyams	(1992 - 95) *	Secretary
Ed Lau	(1992 - 95) *	(Resigned 11/18/92; George Baker appointed to replace him until April '93.)
Gil Danielson	(1991 - 94)	
Art Jackson	(1991 - 94)	President
Neva Schalm	(1991 - 94)	
Ed Carr	(1991 - 93)	Treasurer
Dort Groth	(1991 - 93)	Vice President

April 22, 1993 - (was year to elect two people) *

Bob Fisher	(1993 - 96 *)	
Katie Johnston	(1993 - 96) *	Secretary
George Baker	(1993 - 95)	Treasurer (Elected to complete Ed Lau's term.)
Al Hyams	(1992 - 95)	Vice President
Gil Danielson	(1991 - 94)	
Art Jackson	(1991 - 94)	President
Neva Schalm	(1991 - 94)	

April 28, 1994 - (was year to elect three people) *

Larry Good	(1994 - 97) *	
Art Jackson	(1994 - 97) *	Treasurer
Bud Strong	(1994 - 97) *	
Bob Fisher	(1993 - 96)	
Katie Johnston	(1993 - 96)	Secretary
George Baker	(1993 - 95)	President
Al Hyams	(1992 - 95)	Vice President

April 27, 1995 - (was year to elect two people) *

George Baker	(1995 - 98) *	President
Al Hyams	(1995 - 98) *	Vice President
Larry Good	(1994 - 97)	
Art Jackson	(1994 - 97)	Treasurer
Bud Strong	(1994 - 97)	Secretary
Bob Fisher	(1993 - 96)	(Resigned 9/18/95; Ila Mae Hanel app'td to complete Bob Fisher's term, viz. April 96)
Katie Johnston	(1993 - 96)	

April 25, 1996 - (was year to elect two people) *

Ila Mae Hanel	(1996 - 99) *	
Marie Stevens	(1996 - 99) *	Vice President
George Baker	(1995 - 98)	President
Al Hyams	(1995 - 98)	
Larry Good	(1994 - 97)	
Art Jackson	(1994 - 97)	Treasurer
Bud Strong	(1994 - 97)	Secretary

April 24, 1997 - (was year to elect three people) *

Larry Good	(1997 - 00) *	Treasurer
Paul Rauth	(1997 - 00) *	
Bud Strong	(1997 - 00) *	Secretary
Ila Mae Hanel	(1996 - 99)	President
Marie Stevens	(1996 - 99)	Vice President
George Baker	(1995 - 98)	
Al Hyams	(1995 - 98)	

April 23, 1998 - (was year to elect two people) *

George Baker	(1998 - 01) *	Ass't Treas. (Died 10/12/98)
Charlotte Nametz	(1998 - 99)	App'td 10/19/98 to replace George Baker until 1999 Annual Meeting.
Al Hyams	(1998 - 01) *	
Larry Good	(1997 - 00)	Treasurer
Paul Rauth	(1997 - 00)	
Bud Strong	(1997 - 00)	Secretary
Ila Mae Hanel	(1996 - 99)	President
Marie Stevens	(1996 - 99)	Vice President

(Note: April 22, 1999 Annual Meeting postponed to May 20 due to refinancing schedule.)

May 20, 1999 - (was year to elect two people) *

Ila Mae Hanel	(1999 - 02) *	President (Resigned office of Pres. 8/31/99 but remained on board.)
Marie Stevens	(1999 - 02) *	Vice President (Elected President 8/31/99.)

Charlotte Nametz	(1999 - 01)	Elected to complete George Baker's term, viz. April 01. (Elected Vice President 8/31/99.)
Al Hyams	(1998 - 01)	
Larry Good	(1997 - 00)	Treasurer
Paul Rauth	(1997 - 00)	Resigned 10/31/99. Dave Eldredge app'td to complete Paul Rauth's term, viz. April 00.
Bud Strong	(1997 - 00)	Secretary

April 27, 2000 - (was year to elect three people) *

Kay Fischer	(2000 - 03) *	Secretary (Resigned 6/19/00. Muriel Williams appointed to replace her until 2001 Annual Meeting.)
Alice Hollenbeck	(2000 - 03) *	
Dave Eldredge	(2000 - 03) *	
Ila Mae Hanel	(1999 - 02)	
Marie Stevens	(1999 - 02)	President
Charlotte Nametz	(1999 - 01)	Treasurer. (Accepted position as Secretary/Treasurer on 6/19/00.)
Al Hyams	(1998 - 01)	Vice President

April 26, 2001 - (was year to elect two people) *

Charlotte Nametz	(2001 - 04) *	President
Gerry Hyams	(2001 - 04) *	Vice President
Muriel Williams	(2000 - 03)	Secretary (elected to complete Kay Fischer's term, viz. April 03)
Alice Hollenbeck	(2000 - 03)	
Dave Eldredge	(2000 - 03)	
Ila Mae Hanel	(1999 - 02)	
Marie Stevens	(1999 - 02)	Treasurer

April 25, 2002 - (was year to elect two people) *

Joan Buckmaster	(2002 - 05) *	
Percy Smeltzer	(2002 - 05) *	Treasurer
Charlotte Nametz	(2001 - 04)	President
Gerry Hyams	(2001 - 04)	
Muriel Williams	(2000 - 03)	Secretary
Alice Hollenbeck	(2000 - 03)	Vice President
Dave Eldredge	(2000 - 03)	

April 24, 2003 - (was year to elect three people) *

Muriel Williams	(2003 - 06) *	(Elected Sec'ty to replace Joan 8/19/03)
Alice Hollenbeck	(2003 - 06) *	Vice President
Dave Eldredge	(2003 - 06) *	
Joan Buckmaster	(2002 - 05)	Secretary (Elected Treas. to replace Percy 8/19/03)
Percy Smeltzer	(2002 - 05)	Treas. (Resigned 7/21/03) Byron Norton app'ted complete.
Charlotte Nametz	(2001 - 04)	President
Gerry Hyams	(2001 - 04)	

April 22, 2004 - (was year to elect two people) *

Gerry Hyams	(2004 - 07) *	
Gene Hutson	(2004 - 07) *	
Muriel Williams	(2003 - 06)	Secretary
Alice Hollenbeck	(2003 - 06)	Vice President
Dave Eldredge	(2003 - 06)	
Joan Buckmaster	(2002 - 05)	Treasurer

Byron Norton (2002 - 05) President

April 28, 2005 – (was year to elect two people) *

John Robson	(2005 - 08) *	
Jim Lalas	(2005 - 08) *	Treasurer
Gerry Hyams	(2004 - 07)	President
Gene Hutson	(2004 - 07)	
Muriel Williams	(2003 - 06)	Secretary
Alice Hollenbeck	(2003 - 06)	Vice President
Dave Eldredge	(2003 - 06)	

April 27, 2006 – (was year to elect three people) *

Eileen Crowell	(2006 - 09) *	Secretary
Dan Ramahl	(2006 - 09) *	Treasurer
Ann Franklin	(2006 - 09) *	
John Robson	(2005 - 08)	
Jim Lalas	(2005 - 08)	President
Gerry Hyams	(2004 - 07)	Vice-President
Gene Hutson	(2004 - 07)	

April 26, 2007 – (was year to elect two people) *

Bob Ebersole	(2007 - 10) *	Vice-President
Grace Gibson	(2007 - 10) *	
Eileen Crowell	(2006 - 09)	Secretary
Dan Ramahl	(2006 - 09)	Treasurer
Ann Franklin	(2006 - 09)	(Died 5/4/08 - No replacement was appointed since her death occurred near end of fiscal year.)
John Robson	(2005 - 08)	
Jim Lalas	(2005 - 08)	President

❖ A word of explanation: To fill Ann Franklin's third year in office, the Board decided that the person in the April 2008 election (which would otherwise have been for two positions) to receive the third most votes, would fill Ann Franklin's third year on the Board.

April 24, 2008 – (was year to elect 2 People) *

Jim Lalas	(2008 - 11) *	President
Helen Smeltzer	(2008 - 11) *	
Bob Ebersole	(2007 - 10)	Vice-President
Grace Gibson	(2007 - 10)	
Eileen Crowell	(2006 - 09)	Sect'y (Resigned, replaced by Muriel Williams)
❖ Will Wolfe	(2008 - 09)	Was elected to serve Ann Franklin's unexpired term of office – see explanation above.
Dan Ramahl	(2006 - 09)	Treasurer

April 23, 2009 – (was a year to elect 3 People) *

Moore Peregrine	(2009 - 12) *	Treasurer
Terry Bard	(2009 - 12) *	
Will Wolfe	(2009 - 12) *	Secretary
Jim Lalas	(2008 - 11)	President
Helen Smeltzer	(2008 - 11)	
Bob Ebersole	(2007 - 10)	Vice-President
Grace Gibson	(2007 - 10)	Died Fall of 2009; replaced by Helen Day.

April 22, 2010 – (was a year to elect 2 People) *

Bob Ebersole	(2010 - 13) *	
Jack Muehlmann	(2010 - 13) *	
Moore Peregrine	(2009 - 12)	- resigned.

Terry Bard	(2009 – 12)
Will Wolfe	(2009 – 12) - resigned.
Jim Lalas	(2008 – 11) - resigned.
Helen Smeltzer	(2008 – 11)

April 28, 2011 – (was a year to elect two people)

Bob McElroy	2011 – 14
Bob Ebersole	2010 – 13
Jack Muehlmann	2010 – 13
Terry Bard	2009 – 12
Helen Smeltzer	2009 – 12
Jean Ann Wolfe	2009 – 12
Bea Stone	2011 – 12 to complete Moore Peregrine's term 09-12

Helen Day served for Grace Gibson in 2009, Jim Lalas in 2010 and Moore Peregrine for 2011. She completed Helen Smeltzers term in 2011.

April 26th, 2012 – (was a year to elect three people for 3-year terms and one for a two-year term). Cycle is 2,2,3.

April 26, 2012 – (was the year to elect three people)

Terry Bard	2012-2015 President – resigned after 6 months, Sue Garrison appointed to replace him.
Dan Remahl	2012-2014 – Resigned November 2012
Larry Reid	2012-2015 – Appointed by Board to replace Bard as President 6 months into term. Larry resigned October 2014 and Bob McElroy was appointed as President.
Bob McElroy	2011-2014 – Appointed president in October 2014
Jean Ann Wolfe	2012-2015 – Secretary
Bob Ebersole	2010-2013 – Vice President
Jack Muehlmann	2010-2013 – Treasurer
Gerry Hyams	2012-2014 – Complete Dan Remahls terms

April 25, 2013

Clifford Van Dyke	2013-2015 Treasurer
Pudge Griffen	2013-2015 Trustee
Margaret Chalmers	2013-2015 Trustee
Gerry Hyams	2013-2014 Complete Dan Remahls terms
Larry Reid	2013-2015 President
Bob McElroy	2013-2014 Trustee
Jean Ann Wolfe	2013-2015 Secretary

April 24, 2014 (this was a year to elect two people for three-year terms)

Clifford Van Dyke	2014-2015 Treasurer
Pudge Griffen	2014-2015 appointed Vice President in October 2014 after Larry Reid resigned, and Bob McElroy was appointed President.
Margaret Chalmers	2014-2015
Sue Garrison	2014-2016
Bob McElroy	2014-2016 – appointed President after Larry Reid resigned in October 2014. He was Vice President at the time of the 4/25/14 Annual meeting but took over as president in October.
Dan Remahl	2014-2015 to finish out Larry Reid's term after Larry resigned in October 2014.
Jean Ann Wolfe	2014-2015 Secretary

April 23, 2015 (This was a year to elect four people, three to serve 3 year terms, and one to serve one year)

Bob McElroy	2015-2016 President (Resigned in November 2015)
Jean Ann Wolfe	2015-2018 Vice President
Bruce Huron	2015-2018 (Resigned in October 2015)
Tom Maddox	2015-2016 Finish out Bruce Huron's term until 2016
Walter Roch von Rochsburg	2015-2018 Treasurer
Jay Peregrine	2015-2016
Sue Garrison	2015-2016
Cliff Van Dyke	2015-2016
Gerry Hyams	2015-2016 Finish out Bob McElroy's term

April 2, 2016

Jay Peregrine	2016-2019 President
Tom Maddox	2016-2017 Resigned April 2017
Vicki Smith	2016-2018 Treasurer
Janet Crawford	2016-2017 Secretary
Sue Garrison	2015-2016 Trustee
Jean Ann Wolfe	2015-2018 Trustee
Walter Roch von Rochsburg	2015-2018 Vice President

April 27, 2017 This is the year to elect two people for 3-year terms, and one person for a two-year term.

Jay Peregrine	2016-2019 President, resigned 05-02-2018
Tom Richmond	2017-2019 Finish out Tom Maddox's term
Vicki Smith	2016-2018 Treasurer
Jean Ann Wolfe	2015-2018 Trustee
Walter Roch von Rochsburg	2015-2018 Trustee
John Vinkemulder	2017-2020 Trustee
Nancy Adadow Gray	2017-2020 Trustee

April 26, 2018, is the year to elect three people for 3-year terms, and one person for a one-year term.

Charles Mange	2018-2019
Vicki Smith	2018-2021
Marge Hofbauer	2018-2021
John Vinkemulder	2017-2020
Nancy Adadow Gray	2017-2020
Robert Bruce McDougall	2018-2021
Bill Pearson	2018-2019 (Finish out Jay Peregrine's Term)

April 25, 2019, this is the year to elect two 2-year terms.

Beverly Popp	2019-2022
John Ruckrich	2019-2021
Robert Bruce McDougall	2018-2021
Vicki Smith	2018-2021
Marge Hofbauer	2018-2021
John Vinkemulder	2017-2020
Nancy Adadow Gray	2017-2020

April 23, 2020. This is the year to elect two 2-year terms.

Beverly Popp	2019-2022 Secretary
John Ruckrich	2019-2022 Trustee
Robert Bruce McDougall	2018-2021 Board President
Vicki Smith	2018-2021 Vice President
Marge Hofbauer	2018-2021 Treasurer
Thomas Warriner	2020-2023 Trustee
Nancy Adadow Gray	2020-2023 Trustee

April 22nd, 2021. This is the year to elect three 3-year terms.

Beverly Popp	2019-2022 Board President
John Ruckrich	2019-2022 Trustee (Resigned 10/2021)
Thomas Warriner	2020-2023 Vice President
Nancy Adadow Gray	2020-2023 Treasurer (Resigned 04/2022)
Maren Hull	2021-2024 Trustee (Resigned 12/2021)
Linda Johnson	2021-2024 Trustee
Carole Reznich	2021-2024 Secretary
John Daugherty	2022-2022 Trustee (to finish out 4 months of
Maren Hull's term)	
Jay Peregrine	2022-2022 Trustee (to finish out 6 months of John
Ruckrich's term)	

April 28th, 2022. This is the year to elect two 3-year terms, and one 2-year term.

Beverly Popp	2022-2025 Board President
John Daugherty	2022-2025 Trustee
Dennis Johnson	2022-2024 Trustee
Eric Rosenblatt	2022-2023 Trustee (to finish out one year of Nancy
Adadow Gray's term)	
Linda Johnson	2021-2024 Treasurer
Thomas Warriner	2020-2023 Vice President
Carole Reznich	2021-2024 Secretary

April 27th, 2023. This is the year to elect two 3 - year terms.

Beverly Popp	2022 - 2025 Board President
John Daugherty	2022 - 2025 Trustee
Dennis Johnson	2022 - 2024 Trustee (Resigned 09/26/2023)
Linda Johnson	2021 - 2024 Treasurer (Resigned 09/01/2023)
Carole Reznich	2021-2024 Secretary
and acting Treasurer to fill Linda Johnsons position of Treasurer.	
Mary Peters	2023 - 2026 Trustee (Resigned 08/22/2023)
Joan McFarlen	2023 - 2024 (To finish out Mary Peters year)
Jay Peregrine	2023 - 2026 Trustee

April 25th, 2024. This is the year to elect 4 board members, two 3-year terms, one 2-year term and one 1-year term.

Jay Peregrine	2023-2026 Board President
John Daugherty	2022-2025 Trustee (resigned 02/24/2025)
Joan McFarlen	2024-2026 Secretary
Bev Popp	2022-2025 Treasurer
John Vinkemulder	2024-2027 Trustee
Marty Litherland	2024-2027 Vice President
Fred Edmonds	2024-2025 Trustee

April 24th, 2025. This is the year to elect 3 board members, 3-year terms.

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Bud Strong Revised 01/22/03; 09/19/03; 10/18/04; 11/09/05; 04/27/06; 02/17/07;
02/22/08; 02/18/09; 02/22/10; 6/9/10; 03/07/12, 04/28/16 01 15 2020;
04/24/2020; 04/26/2021 01/06/2022 05/02/2022, 08/23/2023. 09/27/2023
04/25/2024

Shorebirds Regular Meeting

March 10, 2025

Call to Order President Mary Peters called to order the meeting of the Shorebirds on March 10, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

Secretary Report Secretary Moline stated the Minutes from January 13, 2025, were published in the February 2025 Newsletter. President Peters moved that the minutes from January be approved; Doug McFarlen seconded the motion. The November 2024 minutes were unanimously approved without corrections.

Treasurer Report Treasurer Emily Luxford gave her report. Starting balance on hand was \$2,491.66. Receipts were \$132.00 for the February pizza party. One end-of-the-month interest monies were received: \$.06 January interest. Total Receipts were \$132.06. Disbursements were: Carol Edmunds \$116.38; for pizza party and Emily Luxford \$21.98 for pizza party, \$2.00 paper statement fee for January 2025. Total Disbursements \$140.36. Balance is \$2,483.36. Note: Pop can account \$107.50. Motion for approval of Treasurer's report; seconded by Jan Faulkner. Treasurer's Report was approved.
Note: While not discussed, financial records were reviewed by Elaine Walton. She reported everything was in perfect order, and all expenditures were verified by receipts.

Committee Reports. No reports.

Old Business

We still do not have any information on the proposed committee to review the role of the Shorebirds. President Peters stated again that Board President, Jay Peregrine, has not yet contacted her.

In a follow-up, Doug McFarlen will write something up about quorum requirements. His comments from the January meeting stated that if we want to change the quorum requirements, it should be put in writing and voted on the change.

Bev Popp, Building and Grounds Committee, mentioned Carolyn Thayer has submitted a plan for the *Shade Garden*. Fred Edmonds has a site plan showing showing possible flowers, ferns etc., and locations of trees. Fred Edmonds and Jan Falkner are shepherding the proposal. This proposal is dependent on costs and concerns such as roots, tracking of sun and appropriate plants, locations of current daffodils, etc., Ideas are welcome. Mary Jane again suggested trying to get a grant for the landscaping/garden.

New Business

Speakers Series. Mary Peters noted members wanted to continue with a Speakers Series. She stated that the *Scam* talk by Honor State Bank was well attended and a worthwhile topic. There was some discussion on time and a monthly schedule. A 10 a.m. time slot received positive confirmation but no decision was made on a schedule. Programming would ultimately depend on speaker availability. Carol Edmonds and Suzy Voltz agreed to make some calls to possible speakers.

Shorebirds Regular Meeting

March 10, 2025

New Business

Speakers....Traverse City Library Audible services, 7. Adult education, 8. CSA. 9. Senior Living Facilities. Many topics/people were suggested for the Speakers Series: 1. Senior Driving, 2. Conservation, 3. Josh Mills, 4. City items, 5. Paul Oliver Hospital/Foundation, 6.

Pizza Night. President Peters stated that there is dwindling attendance at Pizza nights. Bev Popp suggested dropping the pizza nights and have a potluck every month. Joan McFarlen seconded and the consensus was to drop pizza night. Mary Peters suggested themed potlucks like Greek foods, Oktoberfest, etc. Other ideas were for summer cook outs and pop-up parties by individual members.

Gift. Shorebirds has monies that could be used for the benefit of the members/corporation. President Peters asked for members to think about items that would be of benefit. Any suggestions will be discussed at the May Shorebirds meeting.

Upcoming Events and Announcements

Brunch - April 5, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.

Easter Dinner, April 20, 2025. Social Hour 5:30 p.m., with Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Menu: Ham, Chessey Potatoes, Salad, Vegetable, Rolls and Dessert. \$12.00 Members, \$15.00 Guests.

Potluck on April 19th is cancelled due to Easter Dinner on the 20th.

Brunch - May 3, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Derby Party, May 3, 2025, 5:30 p.m.. Mary Jane Hall and Mary Peters Co-Hostesses. Bring your own drink. \$5.00 for voluntary drawing.

Shorebirds Meeting, May 10, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Adjourned 10:40 a.m.

Submitted March 10, 2025, Johanna Moline, Secretary, Shorebirds

Attention
Members of Shorebirds
Proposed Buy-Law Change.

There was a request that we change the amount of members that represents a Quorum to proceed with meetings. This is proposed language is for Article VII – Meetings: Section 4.

“A quorum shall consist of eighteen members.”

Change to:

“A quorum shall consist of 8 (eight) members.”

We will vote on this change at the next meeting 12 May 2025.

Respectively Submitted:

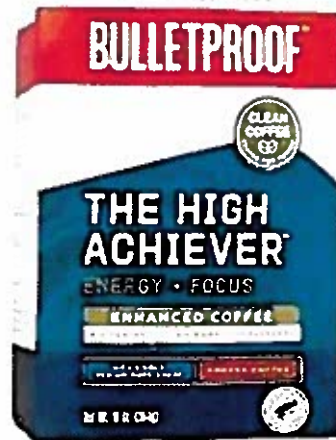
Douglas P. McFarlen.

Would our members be interested in another interesting morning coffee.



We lead with a rebellious point of view, providing bold, smooth, and strong cups of coffee. Our coffee is made with the highest-quality arabica + robusta beans that are roasted to bold, never-bitter perfection. We disrupt the status quo, creating edgy, sarcastic content. We live to rebel against blah beans—and a boring, lackluster life.

The next suggestion is --- well you would not rest for a week.



My suggestion is following:



It has vibrant floral and fruity notes with a bright acidity that makes each sip feel lively and fresh. We brew it in a coffee machine or French press, it delivers a rich aroma and a perfectly balanced taste. If you enjoy high-quality, single-origin coffee with depth and character, Ethiopian beans are a must-try!

Notice to All Members: Make the Most of Our Guestrooms!

Dear Cooperative Members,

We're excited to remind you about the fantastic opportunity to help generate extra income for our cooperative while enjoying the convenience of having family and visitors stay right on site.

Our guest rooms are available for just \$100 per night, offering a comfortable and welcoming space for your guests. This is a great way to:

- ~ Support the Cooperative: The income from the guestrooms goes directly toward enhancing our shared spaces and maintaining the property.**
- ~ Keep Loved Ones Close: Having family and visitors stay just steps away makes hosting much easier and more enjoyable.**
- ~ Earn Extra Income: Renting out the guestrooms helps contribute to the cooperative's financial health, benefiting us all.**

Let's work together to make our community even stronger while enjoying these added benefits. For more details or to book a room, please contact Shirley in the office. We still have lots of open dates for this summer.

Thank you for being a part of our vibrant community!


Shirley Robert
Cooperative Manager

Important Obituary Information

Why Obituaries Are Important

Obituaries lend a sense of the legacy a person leaves behind when they die. Writing your obituary (or at least providing many of the details) is a great way to share with your family some of the details of your life they may not know.

Obituaries are helpful in tracing genealogy. As the hobby of genealogy becomes more popular—and easier with computer records and the internet—writing a thorough and accurate obituary will assist your descendants in the future.

You will be giving your loved ones a great gift now, and especially at the time of your death. Gathering information and creating an obituary are difficult during times of grief. Beginning the process now will give your loved ones a head start at writing your obituary when you die.

You are the best source of the accurate facts about your life. Putting in writing everything you know about your life will prevent any mistakes when your obituary is written.

Taking the time to begin gathering information and writing your obituary will set an example for your family. It will show them you are helping *them* by taking care of the business of dying now so they don't have as much to do later. Having seen what you've done for them, they will likely do the same for their family.

Start now—refine later. You don't have to write the perfect obituary today but, if there are favorite stories or quotes you want included in your obituary, take time to jot them down now so your family will know to include that information in your final obituary.

Think about which newspapers you'd like your obituary to appear in so you can include it with your wishes. Some people have their obituary sent to the city where their vacation home is located—especially if it's out of state. Perhaps you grew up and lived in one area and retired to another to be closer to family. You may want to have your obituary sent to your hometown newspaper (again helpful with genealogy).

Important Obituary Information

Special Considerations

- ✓ Choose and set aside a photo of yourself you like. Head/shoulders is best.
- ✓ You don't have to write your actual obituary, if you don't want to, but having many of the details in place will make it easier for your family when the time comes for it to be written!
- ✓ Request ten death certificates from the funeral home. You can add this in to your funeral planning.
- ✓ Designate a family member to promptly notify the Social Security Administration of the death. This is important for receiving death benefits, as well as avoiding identity theft. (Note: funeral home may do this for you. Ask your funeral director about this process.)
- ✓ Designate a family member to mail original death certificates to all three credit reporting agencies, with the contact information of the family member who will do this. The agencies are: Equifax, Experian and TransUnion. Also contact all credit issuers to close accounts (bank credit cards, department store credit cards, etc.)
- ✓ By law, you are entitled to a free credit report every year. 6-8 weeks after the death, use this service to ensure no new credit has been established in the name of the deceased. Designate a family member to retrieve your credit report. The web address is: www.annualcreditreport.com
- ✓ Designate a family member to contact Secretary of State/DMV to cancel any driver's license/voter registration to prevent duplicates from being issued.
- ✓ Don't include mother's maiden name in obituary as this is often used as password information.
- ✓ Don't include personal address information in your obituary. Consider asking a trusted neighbor or hiring someone to be at your home during the funeral to avoid anyone stealing from your home while everyone is at the funeral. Burglars who target the deceased and bereaved are known as "obituary thieves". They scan the obituaries for funeral information and strike when they know families will be away from the home of the deceased.

Important Obituary Information

Name (include maiden, previous, nicknames): _____

Birthdate: _____ City/State of Birth: _____

Parents' Names: _____

Spouse's/Significant Other's Name: _____

Wedding Date: _____ Wedding Location: _____

Children's Names (include spouses' names in parentheses): _____

Number of Grandchildren/ Great-Grandchildren: _____

Note: newspapers don't always print names of grandchildren/great-grandchildren

Siblings: _____

Survived by: _____

Predeceased by: _____

Education (include high school, college graduation dates and degrees earned): _____

Employment/Career: _____

Military Career/Rank upon discharge: _____

Organizations/Memberships: _____

Awards, Honors, Achievements: _____

Things for which you are known (favorite recipes, telling jokes, giving advice, being the favorite aunt/uncle to nieces/nephews, hobbies, special talents): _____

Service information (Place of worship, funeral home information, etc.) _____

Cremation/Interment information: _____

Charitable Requests (donations to a cause important to you): _____

Newspapers where obituary should be sent (current city of residence, hometown, city of vacation home, etc.): _____

Mental Health Services & Resources

Centra Wellness Network

Address: 6051 Frankfort Hwy, Benzonia
Info & 24-hour crisis line: 877-398-2013

Northwest Michigan Health Services, Inc.

Address: 6051 Frankfort Hwy, Benzonia
Phone: 231-383-4800

Senior Services & Resources

Benzie Senior Resources

Address: 10542 Main Street, Honor
Phone: 231-525-0600 or 888-893-1102

Substance Use (Treatment & Recovery)

Catholic Human Services/Alcohol & Drug Services

Phone: 231-947-8110

Northern Michigan Regional Entity Access Center

Phone: 800-834-3393

Transportation

Benzie Bus

Phone: 231-325-3000

Veteran Services

Veteran Affairs Office

Address: Benzie County Government Center
Phone: 231-882-0034

Need help finding resources?

Community Connections

Phone: 833-674-2159

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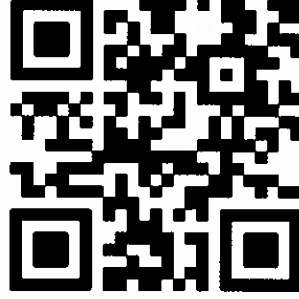
COMMUNITY RESOURCE DIRECTORY

A free guide to Benzie resources
for childcare, housing, education,
food & financial assistance, and
more, compiled by the Benzie
Human Services Collaborative.

benziehsc@gmail.com



*This community resource guide
was created by the Benzie
Human Services Collaborative.
Find the full, digital, and most
up-to-date version here:*



bit.ly/benzieresources

Abuse & Neglect

Benzie-Manistee Dept of Health & Human Services

Address: 448 Court Place, Govt. Ctr. Suite A, Beulah
Phone (Information): 231-882-1330

24/7 Hotline (Report Abuse & Neglect): 855-444-3911

Traverse Bay Children's Advocacy Center

Address: 2000 Chartwell Dr, Suite 3, Traverse City
Phone: 231-929-4250

Clothing

Benzie Area Christian Neighbors

Address: 2804 Benzie Hwy, Benzonia
Phone: 231-882-9544

The Baby Pantry at St. Philip's Episcopal Church

Address: 785 Beulah Hwy, Beulah
Phone: 231-882-4059

Disabilities

Centra Wellness Network

Address: 6051 Frankfort Hwy, Benzonia
Phone: 877-398-2013

Disability Network Northern Michigan

Address: 415 East Eighth St., Traverse City
Phone: 866-869-8600

Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault

CHOICES of Manistee County

Address: 124 Washington St., Manistee
Business Phone: 231-723-6597
Crisis Line: 231-723-6004

Michigan State Police Victim Services Program

Phone: 231-492-2666

Women's Resource Center

Address: 720 S. Elmwood Ste. 2, Traverse City
Phone: 800-554-4972

Early Childhood Care & Learning

NMCAA Early Childhood Programs (Early Head Start/Head Start)

Phone: 800-632-7334

Great Start to Quality Northwest Resource Center

Phone: 877-614-7328

Employment Training & Resources

Northwest Michigan Works!

Address: 1209 S. Garfield Ave, Traverse City & 400 River St., Manistee
Phone (Traverse City): 231-922-3700 or 800-442-1074
Phone (Manistee): 231-723-2535

Financial Supports

Benzie Area Christian Neighbors

Address: 2804 Benzie Hwy, Benzonia
Phone: 231-882-9544

Benzie-Manistee Dept. of Health & Human Services

Address: 448 Court Place, Beulah
Phone: 231-882-1330 or 844-464-3447

Father Fred Foundation

Address: 826 Hastings, Traverse City
Phone: 231-947-2055

Food Assistance

Benzie Senior Resources

Address: 10542 Main Street, Honor
Phone: 231-525-0600 or 888-893-1102

Benzie-Leelanau District Health Dept/Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

Address: 6051 Frankfort Hwy, Benzonia
Phone: 231-882-2106

Benzie-Manistee Dept of Health & Human Services

Address: 448 Court Place, Beulah
Phone: 231-882-1330 or 844-464-3447

Food Pantries

Benzie Area Christian Neighbors

Address: 2804 Benzie Hwy, Benzonia
Phone: 231-882-9544

Benzie Food Partners

Address: 10907 Main Street, Honor
Phone: 231-325-2936

Health & Dental Resources

Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department

Address: 6051 Frankfort Hwy, Benzonia
Phone: 231-882-4409

Northwest Michigan Health Services, Inc

Address: 6051 Frankfort Hwy, Benzonia
Phone: 231-383-4800

United We Smile

Address: 4075 Copper Ridge Dr., Traverse City
Phone: 231-844-4601

Housing: Housing & Home Repairs

Habitat for Humanity of Benzie County

Address: 955 James Street, Frankfort
Phone: 231-399-0300

Homestretch Housing

Phone: 231-947-6001

Northwest Michigan Coalition to End Homelessness

Central intake: 844-900-0500

Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency

Phone: 800-632-7334 or 231-947-3780

Housing: Shelters/Transitional Housing

Goodwill Inn

Address: 2943 N Keystone Rd, Traverse City
Phone: 231-922-4890

2025

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CALENDAR YEAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Exercise at 1pm Tues & Thurs 2:00 bridge		Mahjongg 2pm third floor		
		1	2	3	4	5
			10:00 Stories that Heal	Footcare clinic 1-6	Shirley off	10AM Brunch
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Shirley off	Shirley off	Shirley off	Shirley off	Shirley off	
13	14	15	16	17	Good Friday NO staff	19
			10:00 POMH SPEAKER			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
6:00 Easter Dinner	3:00 Book Club No staff	9:30 Board Mtg		10:30 Annual Meeting Luncheon following		
27	28	29	30			
		Shirley off	Shirley off			

Birthdays: 17 Bill D(310);19 Carol K(306);27 Linda M(308); 28 Betsie N(209)

Coffee@ 9:00am In Great Room
Happy Hour 5-6pm in Great Room