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THE LUNCH BUNCH October 2

The second in our Chamber Member Series!
Networking begins at 11:30am
Learning session from 12-1pm
Held the first Thursday of each month at the Chamber office - 220 S. Bridge St.
BYOBB



OCTOBER: "Business Decision & Demographics Now: Powerful tools for business demographic research and business planning."

Presenter: Lisa Mitchell of the Grand Ledge Area District Library.
Easy to use and comprehensive. Researchers and entrepreneurs are provided with comprehensive business and demographic information valuable to assess business viability, create sales leads and marketing mailing lists, complete location analyses and business plans, analyze population trends, find potential sponsors and donors and much more. This versatile database is useful for those who want to start a business as well as those who want to take their established business to the next level. Brought to you by the Library and Michigan and the Grand Ledge Area District Library.

NEW Maybelle's Cafe is offering a "Lunch Bunch" Special!

Call and order or stop in and grab some lunch before the meeting. Maybelle's is offering a dollar (\$1) off your lunch order. Soups for Lunch Bunch are: Cheesy Tomato Soup (a bit spicy) and Chicken Noodle.

Also, a complimentary carafe of premium coffee will be provided during the meeting. **Sounds Delicious!** Call 622-4600 or stop in 214B S. Bridge St. (2 doors down from the Chamber) and get your lunch on!

Check out the full menu at www.maybellescafe.com

November - FACEBOOK

Mark your calendars for the 1st Thursday of the month and join us. You never know who you'll see and what you will learn!

First 50 Years of the Congregational Church

The October 7 program of the Grand Ledge Area Historical Society will feature Bil Turner with a power point presentation of the first 50 years of the First Congregational United Church of Christ.

They are celebrating 150 years of service to the Grand Ledge community 1864-2014. Mr. Turner will review some of the struggles and joys of this very early church.

Their 1866 church on East Front St. was the first church building in Grand Ledge. Rev. William Esler was the pastor.

In 1903 a larger church was built on the SW corner of North Bridge and East Front Streets, now the Bridge Street Wedding Chapel.

The program starts at 7:30 pm at the Grand Ledge Opera House, 121 S. Bridge St. For further information call 517-627-5170

The celebration committee including Chairman Kathy Burt, Bil Turner, June Gilson, Linda Olds and Fay Schroeder are busy planning for the December 6 and 7 Holiday Traditions Tour where they will show their present church.



Thank You

2014 "All In" Event Sponsors:



Welcome New Members

Friends of the Chamber

Paul Mollett

Laurie Biggs

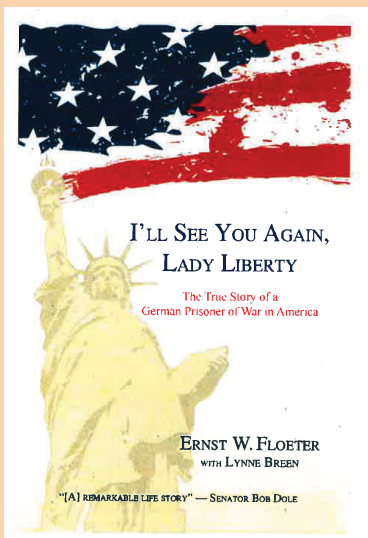
Early Grand Ledge

The walls of Maybelle's Cafe and Sweets downtown are now decorated with large (about 4' x 5') photos of early Grand Ledge from The Museum collection. They include Mudge's Folly & the Lanota Steamboat, turn of the century street scenes, the building of the 1910 bridge and the Pere Marquette passenger depot. There are also several paintings of the islands, high bridge and Ledges Playhouse.

You can see other large photos with different scenes at the Chamber of Commerce office at 220 S. Bridge St. Their hours are 8:30 am-1:30 pm Monday-Friday. Stop by and see these great items from our collection.

We are researching the history of the buildings housing five restaurant-bars downtown and will present our findings at the Library sponsored Walking Tour "Books, Bars and History" on Saturday, October 11 from 4-6 pm. Join us starting at Cuginos. Pick up a flyer at the Library.

The front and back steps of The Museum and the back of the garage were painted by a volunteer this summer.



Additional Book Signing by Ernst Floeter!

Ernst Floeter is having a book signing at Ledge Craft Lane on Saturday, October 11th from noon-3 pm. If you don't yet have a copy of *I'll See You Again, Lady Liberty*, you won't want to miss out on this story of Ernst's remarkable life as a German soldier and later a POW during World War II. Even if you have a copy, you might know of friends or relatives who would enjoy receiving this as a gift. See you at Ledge Craft Lane, 120 S. Bridge Street.



Spaghetti Dinner Benefit

The Grand Ledge Area Historical Society welcomes the community to enjoy an A&W benefit spaghetti dinner. Monday, Oct. 6 from 11 AM to 8 PM.

The dinner includes spaghetti and meat balls, salad and garlic bread. Beverage not included. The cost is \$5.99. So come bring your friends to the Grand Ledge A&W, at 525.

E. Saginaw, and help support the operation of the Grand Ledge Historical Museum.

Museum Exhibit

Public Servants: Who's Who is the featured exhibit at the Grand Ledge Historical Society Museum, 118 W Lincoln St. Open Sundays 2-4 pm and during Color Cruise (weekend Oct. 10, 11 & 12) open 12-4 pm each day. Need additional info? Please call 517-627-5170.



MISSING

Please help us locate...

The Color Cruise Committee is looking for last years banner that was placed near the Family Fare store at the corner of Saginaw and Hartel. Also, looking for the Color Cruise banner which was hung on the gazebo during the festival. We are also missing the gazebo banner from the Island Art Fair.

If anyone knows the location of these 3 banners, please contact the Chamber office ASAP at 627-2383.



Calling all Helpers for Color Cruise!

We are in need of volunteers for all areas during the Color Cruise & Island Festival on Oct. 10-12. Please come help out for a couple of hours - openings at pumpkin painting, candle dipping, canoes, admissions and more!

Sign up online at GrandLedgeChamber.com or call the Chamber office at 627-2383. Thank you!

Ribbon Cutting for Bartlett Plumbing & Heating

Join us for a short ceremony on **Thursday, October. 23** at noon at their new location, 125 Halbert St in Grand Ledge (behind the fire station).



Children's Art Classes on Fridays

Ages 10-12 are Friday from 4-5 pm,

Ages 6-9 are Friday from 5-6 pm.

Register with Arlene Bragg 517-627-3795.

Classes held at Ledge Craft Lane, 120 S. Bridge St.

Grand Ledge Area District Library Fall Programming

Pre-School Story Time will resume Tuesday, September 23rd @ 11 am.

The Fall Session of Pre-School Story Time is scheduled for September 23rd - December 16, and will meet weekly on Tuesdays @ 11 am.

This story time is offered to children 3-6 years of age along with their parent or caregiver. Stories along with literacy enhancing activities and crafts will be provided, promoting a school-readiness atmosphere. Younger siblings are welcome.

Unless otherwise noted, Grand Ledge Area District Library's programming will be held at GLADL Main, 131 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge, MI. Please phone the Library @ 517-627-7014 or visit grandledge.lib.mi.us for additional information.

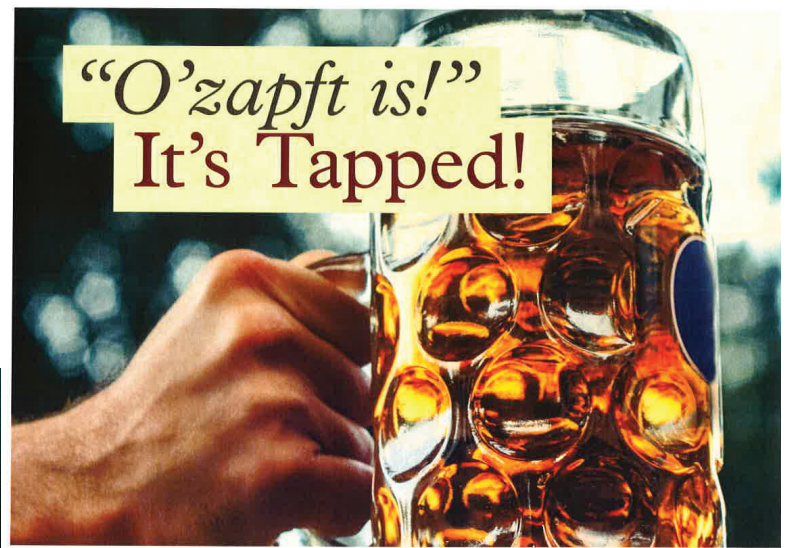


GLOH Dedication Ceremony Recap

A beautiful day to honor the contributions of those that have passed. Karla Chamberlain presented 2 benches in honor of her husband, John Chamberlain. Mark Clark presented the plaque and hydrangea plantings in honor of the Reading Women: Lorabeth Fitzgerald, Betty MacDowell and Gloria Dalebout.



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 **Independence Village**
of GRAND LEDGE

On Thursday, October 2nd
From 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Get in the spirit and enjoy some too! We'd like you to join us for an evening of mixing and mingling at Independence Village of Grand Ledge.

Invite your professional colleagues and peers to sample delicious tastes of fall and refreshing autumn brews served in a complimentary beer stein that you can take home at the end of the night. Experience our vibrant community and learn about senior care services.

Sponsored by Delta Side Business Association & Midtown Brewing Co.

To RSVP, please contact Cara Diaz at cdiaz@ivgrandledge.com or 517-449-7742.

4775 Village Drive, Grand Ledge, MI 48837 | SeniorVillages.com



STORYPOINT



Ladies Night Out

Numerous Vendors & Prizes!!

Thursday, October 9th 7-8:30 pm

The event is free!!! Come enjoy a night full of fun, friends and pampering. There will be door prizes and demos. Grand Prize is a Visa Gift Card!

only at
Ledges Chiropractic Center



Eaton County Parks

A MEMORABLE OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE

Please come and join Eaton County Parks for our next Choosing Health! Walking Society event on Sunday, October 5 with check in at the Mason Road/Trail Head parking lot (Maple Valley High School, 11090 Nashville Hwy. Vermontville, Mi. 49096). This walk will begin promptly at 9:00 am and will be hosted by members of the Thornapple Trail Association along with Eaton County Park Naturalist/Operations Manager, Jackie Blanc.

Come on out and let us show off the beautiful fall colors and enjoy the newly paved section of the Thornapple Trail recently completed with the help of the Safe Routes To School (SRTS) grant, Thornapple Trail Association, Maple Valley Schools, Eaton County Parks, Eaton County Road Commission and many other partners. This segment is approximately 1 mile in length and runs from Mason Road over the Thornapple River and ends on the south side of Vermontville at Linden Street.

This event remains FREE for all participants and is the ninth walk in the series of 11 scheduled throughout the 2014 year. Additional walks are scheduled for November 2 and December 7, with site details located at www.eatoncountyparks.org. For more information on upcoming walks and events please call the Eaton County Parks office at 517-627-7351.

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What's Happening in Grand Ledge

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- 2 It's Tapped
- 3 Grand Ledge Homecoming Parade
- 5 Choosing Health! Walk
- 6 GLHS Spaghetti Dinner Benefit
- 7 First 50 Years of the Congregational Church
- 9 Ledges Chiropractic Ladies Night Out
- 10-12 Color Cruise
- 16 Chamber Ambassador's Club
- 23 Bartlett Plumbing and Heating Ribbon Cutting
- 26 Lansing Theater Organ Concert
- 29 Community Band - Hunting for Harmony

You Are Invited
TO THE VERY FIRST MEETING OF
THE CHAMBER AMBASSADOR'S CLUB
OCTOBER 16TH, 2014 – NOON
LOG JAM RESTAURANT, GRAND LEDGE

All the Cool Kids Are Coming!!!



What is "The Ambassador's Club?"

We're inviting just a handful of super energetic people to sit at the "A-table", to be super-stars and act as the face of the Chamber of Commerce. At the meeting, we'll be mostly having fun! ... but we'll probably also talk about coordinating chamber events, new member mentoring, ramping up business networking, and member training.

So, Are you 'IN?'

RSVP to Jill Russell at 627-2383 if you want to join in on the fun!!!