

From the Editors: Fall is a time of change as the colors prove and the same with our Village. Upgrades in the Village Park, changes in Village crew and the Council are just a few. This newsletter has been delayed due to changes in our family's lives, moving a sister back to MI and settling her in a new environment, a good thing. The following quote is Helen Keller's.

“A bend in the road is not the end of the road...unless you fail to make the turn.”

Phil Downs & Vicki Carpenter Downs, Editors

From the Village President: Red * Gold * Rust * Yellow * Green * Crisp Air * Fresh Apples* Halloween just around the corner - Corny, I know, but my favorite time of year.

I'm Dan Smith, village resident and new President of Beulah Village Council. Retiring President Dan Hook will be a very tough act to follow. His commitment to the Village was only exceeded by his need to assist his extended family. Dan leaves behind an improved Village – from increased operating efficiencies through new and better equipment and procedures, to the work currently taking place in our Village Park. He was a leader in obtaining the grant that made that repair and upgrade project possible. Dan was also a moving force behind a pending, not yet awarded, grant for a Downtown Streetscape. He will be missed!

Additional personnel changes have occurred. Within the past four months, two new members of the Village Maintenance Department were hired - Daniel Munsell and Cody Bower. These big, strapping young men are bright and eager to learn. Be sure to say “hi” when you see them. Cody sports a close-cropped beard.

My ongoing commitment is to work with the citizens of the Village and the dedicated members of Village Council - continuing the momentum created by my predecessors – along with the Beulah Boosters and the Crystal Lake Community Business Association (CLCBA).

Best regards to each of you as you enjoy the remaining colorful days of autumn and begin to bundle up for the fast-approaching chill of the early winter months.

Dan Smith, Village President



The grant funded wayfinding signage design project has been finalized. Colors include the 'Beulah blue', the orange/red from other Village signs and the Village logo.

Crystal Lake Community Business Association (CLCBA) Past and Future Events

Crystal Lake Team Marathon: Over 80 teams and 15 individual marathon runners participated in the August event. Event coordinators Asa & Traci Kelly believe that as the event increases in popularity and the addition of the individual marathoner opportunity will only make it more of a destination for runners.

Music in the Park: Eight summer concerts were held in the Village Park on eight lovely summer evenings. There were record numbers in attendance and many thanks to Chairperson Steve Loveless for coordinating the artists, the many sponsors for helping fund the acts and the generous 'pass the hat' donations.

Archibald Jones Dedication Day: The historical marker commemorating the “Tragedy of Crystal Lake” and Archibald Jones was held on August 22. The marker, with the stories, is located at the outlet/Betsie Valley Bike Trail, at Mollineaux Rd. Dr. Stacy Daniels, nee Archibald Jones, was instrumental in the entire process and coordinated the dedication ceremony. His book, “The Comedy of Crystal Lake”, which tells an expanded story is available, go to: crystallakecomedy.com. The next Archibald Jones Day will be in August 2016.



Archibald Jones (aka Stacy Daniels) unveils the memorial marker along the Betsie Valley Trail, near the outlet, at the August dedication ceremony.

Fall Fest: A breezy fall day greeted families at the Fall Fest in the Village Park in Beulah. Pumpkin decorating evolved to people decorating as breezes filled the air with glitter. Climbing wall, bounce house, hula hoops, painted faces and decorated tote bags were popular activities. The skills of the Lord of the Gourd were enjoyed as were horse-drawn wagon rides, chalk art and our largest car show to date.

Although entries were few, over 70 people tasted and voted on soup entries from local restaurants.

Soup Contest Business Winners:

First: Hungry Tummy w/Cheesy Nacho

Second: The Manitou w/Smoky Great Lakes Chowder

Third: Frankfort Subway w/Broccoli & Cheese Park & Shine Car Show Winners:

People's Choice Award: Harley Motorcycle (custom paint honoring women in the military) owner/Kim Lefler

Sheriff's Award: 1929 Model A (detailed as Car 54/Police Car) owners/ Ron & Joanne Flitton

Firemen's Award: 1954 Ford Mainline, owner/ Sheldon Penney

Village President's Award: 1936 Ford Phaeton owner/ Amy Carmien

The Park & Shine Car Show had 40+ entries.

Many thanks to car show's sponsors: Northern Auto, Watson Benzie and Webber Insurance.

The Darcy Library's Miss Ashley's story time at the Trailhead was enjoyed by all ages.



Car Show Winners:(l-r) Phil Downs w/Kim Lefler (People's Choice), Dan Smith w/Amy Carmien (Village), Jeff Miner/Sheldon Penney (Firemen) and Ted Schendel w/Joanne & Ron Flitton (Sheriff)

Halloween: Saturday-10/31, Trick or Treat at downtown businesses and homes and visit the Tunnel of Terror (Trailhead Building). All activities will be from 5-7 pm.

Christmas Magic: 12/12 Morning breakfast w/Santa and afternoon photos with Santa, carolers, and kid activities in the Trailhead Bldg.

WinterFest: Sat., 2/13/2016 with chili cook-off, frozen fish toss, parade, outhouse races and more! It's not too soon to plan for your outhouse entry. Open to everyone and all ages! Get chili and outhouse applications at clcba.org.

Membership: support the CLCBA and become a member. CLCBA, PO Box 754, Beulah, MI 49617, annual dues are \$50. Go to the CLCBA Web site for more information: www.clcba.org

Beulah Recycling Information:

SINGLE STREAM IN EFFECT

All clean paper/cardboard, all plastic shopping bags, all clean plastic (all numbers), all clean aluminum (foil, cans, tins) can go in the same dumpster! Glass has a separate bin.

Recycling Update-for info call 882-0554 or go to. www.benzieco.net and click on services

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- Beulah sites remain behind the Village Offices for residents. Businesses should call regarding permits.
- Leaves & Yard Waste Drop Off: leaves and waste only (no plastic bags, only paper leaf bags) at 14352 Homestead Rd. 882-5468 for directions.
- Christmas Trees can be left curbside.
- Cardboard may be dropped at BC High School.
- County residents may transport and unload yard waste, tree branches and small brush by appointment. Call 882-0554.



Sometimes, 'the music takes you and ya just gotta dance' as these two youngsters show us at one of the Music in the Park concerts.

Cold Creek Bridge Walk: What started as a throwaway thought when the bridge was installed in the summer of 2012 became a reality this Labor Day. Around 140 people and 6 dogs walked the bridge to honor Labor Day. Much laughter, many high fives and photos marked the first annual event and culminated in activities, refreshments and prizes at the pavilion in the Village Park. Many thanks to the Beulah Boosters, CLCBA and the Village for their support. Plans have started for the 9/5/16 walk.



1st Annual Cold Creek Bridge Walk was fun!

Village Office Hours

Clerk-Laura Spencer Tues-Wed-Th. 10-2 pm
Treasurer Mitchell Swezd 12-3 pm, Tues/Thurs
Zoning Administrator Ron Edwards, Thurs 10-12
Phone 231-882-4451 Fax 231-882-5759
Free Fax services available to residents
Web Site: www.villageofbeulah.org

The Newsletter and Council minutes can be found on the web site.

Village Meetings: First Thursday after the first Monday each month (11/6, 12/10, 1/7/16, 2/4 at 7 pm). The public is encouraged to attend.

Village Council Trustees and Staff and Terms

Dan Smith – President-2016 (appt'd)
Phil Downs–Equipment-2016 (appt'd)
Co-Chair: Gary Pallin
Linda Wolfe– Law and Finance-2016 (appt'd)
Co-Chair: Robert Fitzke
Vacant – Water and Sewer-2016
Co-Chair: Mike Laslo
Mike Laslo – Streets/Sidewalks-2016
Co-Chair: Dan Smith
Gary Pallin – Parks and Recreation-2016
Co-Chair: Phil Downs
Robert Fitzke– Buildings/Grounds-2016
Co-Chair: Linda Wolfe
Laura Spencer – Clerk-2016
Mitchell Szwed – Treasurer-2016 Appt'd
Ron Edwards – Zoning Administrator
Brian Moore – Supervisor
Daniel Munsell – Village Crew
Cody Bowers – Village Crew

To All Village of Beulah Water Service Customers: Efforts continue to communicate the 'run water advisories' started last fall. Notices will be posted on: villageofbeulah.org website as well as an email blast. We have developed an email distribution list for this purpose. This list is used for urgent messages pertaining to Village business only. Email addresses are not be shared with third parties. We encourage both year-round and seasonal residents to participate in this **voluntary program** by sending an email to villageofbeulah@gmail.com with your name and water service address typed in the subject line. Example: Jane Doe 120 Main St. Please remember to re-send a similar message if your email address changes.

Public Information is posted on the windows of the Village Office. Minutes, agendas, upcoming events in the Village Park are listed. Also posted would be notices such as: run water request, annual drinking water report and boil water warnings.

Sponsors of special events that require Village support, such as barricades or staff, should make a request to the Village Clerk at 882-4451.

Business Updates:

- L'Chayim Deli suffered an electrical fire in late August. As a result of the smoke damage and repairs, they will be closed until spring 2016. A fundraiser was later held at 3 Chairs Art along with an opening to view the ArtPrize entry of Steve & Ann Loveless. Donations to help can be made via hometowngiving.com/lchayim
- Many businesses will start fall/winter hours, please call and/or check on-line.
- Creation Pharm revised their business name to Creation Farm and have added specialty food items.
- Central State Bank has completed their parking lot expansion, between them and Black Horse Antiques.
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- Eden Brook Place (formerly Brookside) has renovated the former hotel suites to apartments.



Contact Art at 231-920-5028 for rental information.

Did You Know?

- The Benzie Bus has a stop at the Betsie Valley Trailhead Building in the back parking lot; call for information and pick up times: 325-3000.
- Thanks to the Benzie Central student volunteers (Marc Crossman, Matt Wooten, Maci Kunkel, Sam Wilkinson, Sierra Pallin, Cassidy Pallin, Kaitlyn Pallin) who painted the Trapp Park skateboard half-pipe.



Thanks for the paint upgrade at Trapp Park.

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- Darcy Library has an ongoing book sale inside the library. Donations of new or gently used hardbound and softbound books are accepted and needed for the Holiday Book Sale on 12/12-12/13 at the Trailhead.
- Thanks to Barb Skurdall, who again provided several free tennis clinics this summer. Many enjoyed playing pickle ball too.
- WiFi (wireless Internet services) available at the Blue Caribou, Hungry Tummy, Cold Creek Inn and the Darcy Library.
- Congratulation to Steve & Ann Loveless on winning ArtPrize 2015 with their photofiber piece, 'Northwood Awakening'. 3 Chairs Art hosted a premier opening before the piece went to Grand Rapids. It is on display at the Oliver Art Center in Frankfort until 11/11/15.



Many downtown businesses posted signs for ArtPrize winners Steve & Ann Loveless.

Park Yourself at Beulah Beach
The Village-owned travel trailer park at the beach in Beulah will be ready for your 2016 reservations in April 2016. Contact Laurie, the Village Clerk at 231-882-4451 or email clerk@villageofbeulah.org for more information.

Dock Space has a waiting list; contact Laurie at the Village Office for info, 231-882-4451.

Beulah Boosters are Busy Volunteers:

Crystal Lake Team Marathon, Cold Creek Bridge Walk, corn stalks and Fall Fest were activities supported by Boosters. Christmas Magic and Winter Fest are upcoming events that need volunteers. The Booster's goal is to support local groups by providing volunteers and financial resources in order to build cohesiveness in the community and to promote Beulah as a vacation destination. Members are asked to volunteer on at least one activity yearly. For more information, please contact Vicki Carpenter, President at 882-4847, 10 am – 8 pm. Election of officers was held in September and the following are serving

President Vicki Carpenter (2015-2017)

Vice President Joan Duggan (2015-2016)

Treasurer Trudi Hook (2015-2017)

Secretary Marsha Case (2014-2016)

Directors: Barb Myers/Phil Downs (2015-2017) and Lindi Milner (2014-2016)

Remember:

- Trash pick up is on Friday unless there is a weekday holiday and it is moved to Saturday. In November, pick up will be the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Please do not put bagged trash out too early as animals tear bags and scatter trash. Covered trash containers can be put out with the red or yellow bag visible to avoid this problem. Let's keep Beulah litter free.
- Please bag your leaves for pickup. They clog up the storm drains if not bagged.
- Tie up your branches and large yard refuse for pick up. Yard waste, leaves, cuttings should be bagged and left street side for pick up. Please keep bags to 25 pounds or less.
- Christmas trees, with their branches bound, can be left curbside for pickup.
- All dogs in the Village are to be on leash. Only certified service animals are allowed on the Trail. **Please clean up after your pets.**
- Red trash bags are sold at Village Office, yellow at Stapletons (single bags) and Shop & Save (10/pkg). Friday mornings is pick-up

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for red and yellow bags in the Village. Village charges \$21 for 10 red trash bags.

- **Please don't feed the birds on the lake.** It will only increase cases of swimmer's itch.
- Snow is coming and must be removed from business and residence sidewalks.
- **No overnight parking on streets ordinance is in effect November 1 to April 1.** Please encourage renters, visitors and everyone to comply with the ordinance to support the Village crews in snow removal. Remember, the ordinance is in effect regardless of snowfall. Failure to comply may get your vehicle towed.

grant. The Village is still waiting word on the Transportation Enhancement Grant application which would provide funds for the streetscape project for downtown.



Early work in the park included repair/upgrade of the knee wall around the tennis court.



TUNNEL OF TERROR at the Trailhead
kid friendly

Trick or Treat Hours 5-7 pm on 10/31
Residential, downtown business & Trailhead

Grant Updates: Work began in mid-October on connecting the bike lanes on Lake St. to the Betsie Valley Trail on the west end of the tennis courts. Two trees were removed, one was diseased and will be replaced. Work includes upgrades to the retaining walls around the upgraded tennis courts and installation of more picnic tables near the tennis and pickle ball courts. Additional waste bins, repairs to the walls on Lake St., as you cross the Cold Creek, are some other items included in the MI-DNR

Upcoming or Ongoing Events:

- Every Thursday, 'Read to Rosie' at the Darcy Library, 12-5 pm.
- Family Storytime at the Darcy every Friday at 3:30, series ends November 20.
- Foreign and Cult Films at Darcy Library. Check web site: darcylibraryofbeulah.org
- Village Trick-Treat hours, 5-7 pm, 10/31
- 'Off the Page' with "Station Eleven" author Emily St. John Mandel at the Mills House on 11/4 at 1 pm. Sponsored by Darcy & Benzonia Libraries, no charge for admission.
- Village Council Mtg. 11/5 Thurs. 7 pm
- Water bills due, 11/16
- Moonlight Madness on Friday, 11/27, check with the businesses for their hours.
- Small Business Saturday will be held after Thanksgiving, on 11/28
- Village Council Meeting 12/10, 7 pm
- Darcy Library Cookie & Book Sale in the Trailhead Building, 12/11 and 12/12, 10-2 pm., gift quality books and great cookies
- Christmas Magic: 12/12 events all day with Santa, carolers, kids arts and crafts activities
- Village Council Meeting 1/7/2016, 7 pm

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- Village Council Meeting 2/4/2016 7 pm
- Winter Fest: Saturday, 2/13/2016
- Village Council Meeting, 3/10/2016, 7 pm

Darcy Library of Beulah: Hours & Info

Mon. & Wed. & Fri. 12 to 5 pm

Tues. & Thurs. 12 to 7 pm

Sat. 9 to 1 pm

Library info at: www.darcylibraryofbeulah.org

- Friends of the Darcy Library meet the 2nd Wed. of each month at 5:15 pm. Library Board meets the 2nd Monday of each month, 5:15 pm. Everyone is invited.

Keeping Beulah Beautiful: Summer flowers, waterfront plants and gardens were lovely and well kept. Thanks to the work of Beulah Boosters for planting the waterfront pots and the flower boxes. And thanks to the local businesses who kept their flower boxes watered. Jane Gary & Penny Smith kept the waterfront weeded and the pots watered as well as tending to the existing garden areas. Barb Skurdall and Ann Strehele have taken on the Garden of Possibilities duties with the relocation of Lucie & Charley Kinzel. Good job all!



Welcome Cody Bower to the Village Crew.

8th Benzie County Best of People's Choice Awards 2015 (Beulah winners)

- Best Art Gallery: State of the Art

- Best Attorney: John Grogan
- Best Golf Course: Crystal Lake
- Best Place to Buy Jewelry: Northern Decor



Year Two of Adventure Sports' Stand Up Paddleboard (SUP) competition continues to grow and bring new visitors to Beulah and Benzie County.



Fall Fest pumpkin decorating got these little people ousted from their stroller so their pumpkins could ride in style!

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Effective 12/1/2015, there will be a charge of actual cost of repair of any Village water meter that incurs 'freeze' damage if it wasn't winterized or removed from service. Contact the Village with questions, 231.882.4451.

This space saved for mailing

Bald eagles watching from the south shore of Crystal Lake are still a special sight.



Bike trail connection from Lake St. to the Betsie Valley Trail along the southwest end of the tennis courts.

REMINDER

Water shut off and turn on requests need a three (3) work day notice. Calls can be made to the Village office at 231-882-4451.



The connection along the pickle ball court and the picnic table area to the west end of the court. Work on the connection will be finished this fall.

Your ideas and feedback are welcome. Drop off notes or leave a message at the Village Office.

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Have a Beulah-ful Day!